

OPENING REMARKS OF THE EXECUTIVE VICE CHAIRMAN/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER NIGERIA COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (NCC), PROF. UMAR GARBA DANBATT, FNSE AT THE INAUGURAL CEREMONY OF STRATEGY WORKING GROUP (SWG2018) HELD ON 8TH MARCH, 2018 IN THE COMMISSION'S 9TH FLOOR BOARD ROOM, ABUJA

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It is with utmost delight that I hereby wish to formalise the Strategy Working Group (SWG2018) with this inaugural ceremony.

I bring your attention to your respective individual letters of nomination, which reflects essentially that this responsive and world-class organisation is largely depending on you to chart a course that will translate to the next Strategic Management Plan (SMP) which will guide the direction of activities and interventions of the Commission for a given period of time.

You may recall that upon my assumption into Office, as the Executive Vice Chairman/CEO of the Commission, I met a strategy plan already being implemented - the STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT PLAN (2014 – 2018).

And to enrich the strategic objectives of the aforesaid strategic plan and align the Commission's Vision with the present Government's Economic Reforms agenda, I launched the 8-Point Agenda as a Strategic

Vision Plan (SVP) which we have purposefully aligned with the SMP 2014 – 2018. This alignment lent credence to the laudable achievements/accomplishments on many fronts recorded in the past few years.

I wish to therefore, emphasize that this Strategy Working Group is not merely a Working Group for routine purposes, but a well selected Team representative in every way of the image of the COMMISSION.

You are urged therefore not to be constrained in any way, not even by the span of the Strategic Vision Plan (8-Point Agenda) which is still current; but encouraged to leverage on its strength and otherwise in order to execute your assignment.

I have no doubt in my mind about the competence, eligibility or commitment of any one of you in this very crucial Strategy Working Group. To this end, there are high expectations of you.

The Terms of Reference (ToR) has been given and you can count on the unreserved support of the entire Management and Staff of the Commission in all official ramifications for the smooth execution of this onerous assignment.

Without more words to engage your precious time therefore, I hereby wish to inaugurate formally, this **STRATEGY WORKING GROUP**

(SWG2018) with the charge for you to keep the Commission focused on our Mandate, Mission and Vision.

Your focus on this assignment is not only critical but strategic to the progress of the Commission.

It is expected therefore, that your final recommendations will encompass quality input to a newly chartered STRATEGY MANAGEMENT PLAN (SMP) for the Commission, with functionally relevant activities, initiatives, programmes and stakeholder engagements.

You have four (4) months to conclude this Assignment and therefore, it is expected that by May 31, 2018 we would be ready to launch a new Strategic Management Plan (SMP) for the Commission.

We will be expecting feedback from time to time, and hope also that the span of the exercise will be timely and within budget. Your final Report should be rich and robust enough as to guide Management to the right roadmap.

I wish you the best of luck.

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