

Protocol between the Federal Military Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics

ON THE EQUIVALENCE OF DEGREES, DIPLOMAS AND CERTIFICATES AWARDED BY THE EDUCATIONAL ESTABLISHMENTS OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES

The Federal Military Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics,

Wishing to promote the further development of friendly relations between Nigeria and the USSR in the fields of Science and Culture ;

And pursuant to Article 4 of the Agreement on Cultural and Scientific Co-operation and Exchange between the Federal Military Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics dated 22nd April, 1970 on the recognition of certificates, diplomas and degrees awarded in the respective educational institutions of the both countries ;

Have agreed :

1. The Secondary School Leaving Certificates awarded in the USSR which gives holders the right for admission to Universities and other higher educational establishment shall be recognized as equivalent to the School Leaving Certificates awarded in Nigeria which give holders the right for admission to Universities.

2. The Diplomas awarded by Secondary Special Educational Establishments (Technikums) in the USSR which give holders the right for admission to Universities or other Higher Educational Institutions of similar status shall be recognized as equivalent to the Diplomas awarded by recognized Colleges of Technology and Polytechnics in Nigeria which give holders the right for admission to Universities.

3. Diplomas awarded by Universities and other Higher Educational Institutions of similar status in the USSR, and Diplomas awarded by Universities and other Higher Educational Institutions of similar status in Nigeria shall be recognized in both countries in accordance with the degrees and qualifications stated in the Diplomas.


4. The Diplomas of Doctors awarded by Medical Institutes and Medical Faculties of Universities in the USSR which give holders of such Diplomas the right to independent practice, shall be recognized as equivalent to Medical Diplomas conferred by Nigerian Universities which give the holders of such Diplomas the right to independent practice.

5. The Diplomas of the Candidate of Science awarded in the USSR after successful defence of Research Thesis shall be recognized as equivalent to the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) of Nigerian Universities.

The Present Protocol shall come into effect on the date of signature by the two Governments.

DONE at Lagos this 18th day of May 1973
in two originals in the English and Russian languages both texts being equally authentic.

*For the Federal Military Government
of the Federal Republic of Nigeria*



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*For the Government of the Union
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