IMPROVING RELATIONS BETWEEN LASG AND FRSC

Meeting with the Hon. Commissioner for Transportation, Lagos State

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INTRODUCTION

• Lagos State has been at the forefront of state road traffic administration in Nigeria
• The FRSC has enjoyed cordial and progressive relationship with Lagos State, over the years
• However, a few challenges still face the efficient operations of motor vehicle administration in Lagos State
• Some of the identified issues that require urgent resolution are as highlighted below;
Unclaimed Drivers’ Licence

• About 60,000 licences remain unclaimed at the state BIR offices
• Applicants erroneously believe the licenses are yet to be produced
• This increases on daily basis with production
Face Lift for DLCs

• Convenience
• Waiting Room
Public Enlightenment on Driver’s Licence

- Need for more enlightenment efforts on drivers’ licences acquisition and due processes
- This is to check fake NDL in circulation
Reciprocity

- This will allow for seamless switchover of drivers’ licences for Nigerian in diaspora and for foreigners in Nigeria
- This will eliminate long and arduous application/testing processes
- This process is ongoing and the VIOs has a big role to play
NDL Centres in Lagos

- 21 NDL centres with 28 Workstations which is still inadequate
Hand-written PoCs

- It is unacceptable as this is still practiced in Lagos State
- PoC should be auto generated after insurance
Rampant Use of Old Number Plates

- Old number plate is very much in circulation in Lagos.
- The understanding is that vehicle licenses of Old number plates must be renewed into the new number plate.
Accommodate NVIS Desk Officers

- It is necessary to fully incorporate the FRSC NVIS desk officers as obtainable in other states.
Record of Stolen/Recovered Vehicles

- Need to update the Corps with data on stolen/recovered vehicles
- This is to enhance security and safety of lives and properties
MLAs/SBIRs has refused FRSC installations of alternative network facilities.

This makes the Corps completely dependent on their facility thereby limiting the level of work accomplishment.
Lax Enforcement of NDL

- This has resulted in low production of NDL
Incomplete data on NVIS forms

- Some of the information captured are incomplete and unverifiable
- Fields such as Address, Chassis No. and Phone No. are not supplied or does not meet the standard (Chassis No. less than 17 digits) in the information uploaded into the NVIS data
Approval of land for FRSC outpost as identified and articulated to His Excellency, Gov. Akinwumi Ambode which was passed to the Hon. Commissioner for Transport, Ministry of Transportation for implementation.
• Recently, a private investor offered space that can take up to 500 tankers.

• However, there is need for government to give necessary backing to the proposal so that the NUPENG officials can sign his MOU to become operational.
• Explore means of improving distribution of unclaimed NDLs
• Ensure that papers for old number plates are not renewed
• Need to upgrade the outlook of the DLCs
• Need for increased public awareness on NDL processes
• Completely stop the issuance of hand-written PoCs
• Need to accommodate NVIS Desk Officers at the SBIRS
• Vehicle owners should be encouraged to register for the new number plate when renewing their vehicle papers
• Need to update the Corps’ database on stolen vehicles recovered
• Grant FRSC, the use of alternative network facilities
• Allocate space for additional outposts
• LASTMA and other law enforcement agencies to step up enforcement on NDL
• SBIR to ensure compliance on all biometric fields during drivers licence and vehicle registration
• Government needs to back the proposal for tanker bays in Lagos to ease traffic
CONCLUSION

The assistance of the Lagos State Government is required, to address the highlighted issues for improved road traffic administration and safety management in Lagos State.
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