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The Secretary-General's Special Envoy for  
Road Safety

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Dear Dr. Oyeyemi,

I thank you for your letter dated 13 February 2019, requesting the support of a proposed technical assistance in Nigeria with contribution of experts from the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE).

First of all, I applaud Nigeria's strong will towards improving road safety demonstrated by its leadership in the Africa region on road safety performance. According to the latest WHO Global Status Report on Road Safety 2018, Nigeria is among three best performing countries in the WHO's Africa region, after Mauritius and Seychelles. I note with appreciation the development of Nigeria's Road Safety Strategy 2019-2023, which is another important step in coordinated approach to advancing road safety.

Secondly, I highly appreciate the efforts of the Federal Road Safety Corps, under your strong leadership, which led to Nigeria's accession to five United Nations road safety conventions, making your country a contracting party to all six core conventions, in line with best international practices. As we know, these conventions provide a solid framework for road safety in establishing effective transport policies and contribute to establishing strong national road safety systems. I am pleased that the capacity building event in Abuja, supported by my office in November 2017 was beneficial to Nigeria and fulfilled its aim of providing a detailed insight to United Nations road safety legal instruments.

Finally, I welcome the organisation of another capacity-building event scheduled from 19 to 22 March 2019 in Abuja, which will cover the 1968 Conventions on Road Traffic and Road Signs and Signals; 1958, 1997 and 1998 Vehicle Regulations Agreements; and the 1957 Agreement on the Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road. I am pleased to confirm that travel expenses of the following UNECE experts will be covered from the Special Envoy's budget:

Dr. Boboye Oyeyemi  
Corps Marshal  
Federal Road Safety Corps  
Abuja



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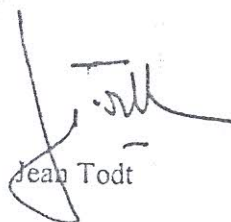
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- Mr. Walter Nissler, Chief of Vehicle Regulations and Transport Innovation Section, UNECE
- Ms. Sabrina Mansion, Economic Affairs Officer, Sustainable Transport Division, UNECE
- Mr. Lukasz Wyrowski, Economic Affairs Officer, Sustainable Transport Division, UNECE
- Mr. Yonas Bekele, Regional Integration and Trade Division, UNECA

I am also pleased that above experts will dedicate one day, following the workshop, on providing guidance and recommendations to government officials on the second version of the Nigeria Road Safety Strategy and other relevant documents. I am assured that this upcoming workshop supported by my UNECE and UNECA colleagues will further contribute to Nigeria's efforts toward successful implementation of all six United Nations road safety conventions and stronger road safety governance. I wish you a productive capacity-building event and I look forward to receiving information on its outcomes.

With this, I thank you again for your commitment and dedication to improving road safety. I look forward to our collaboration and please do not hesitate to consult my Secretariat at [JeanTodt.RoadSafetyEnvoy@un.org](mailto:JeanTodt.RoadSafetyEnvoy@un.org) should you need any further assistance.

Yours sincerely,



Jean Todt