### IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY

### IN THE ABUJA JUDICIAL DIVISION

### HOLDEN AT MAITAMA, ABUJA

### BEFORE HIS LORDSHIP: HON. JUSTICE H. MU'AZU

## ON TUESDAY 6<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2021

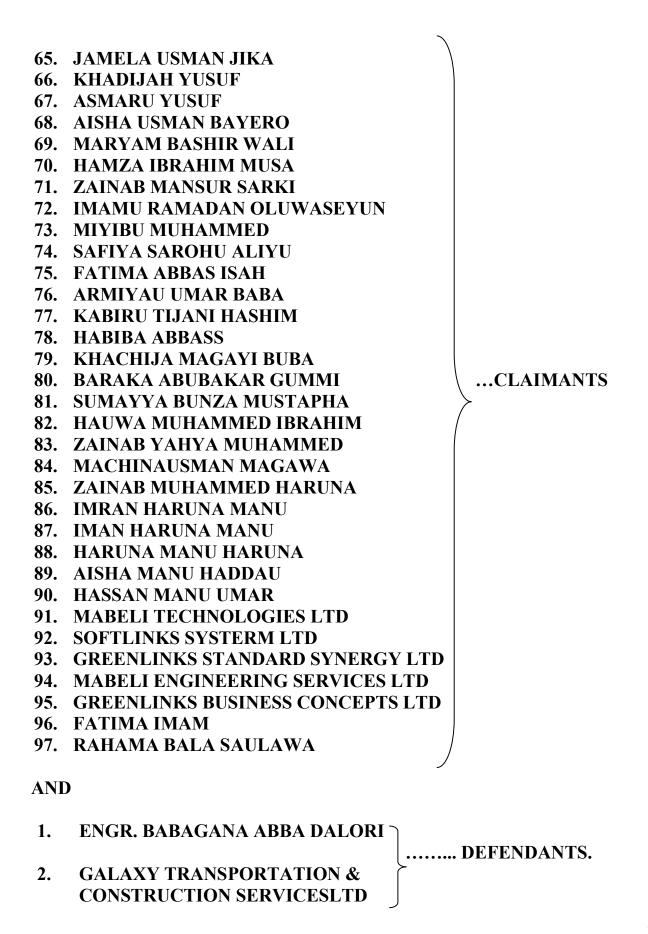
### **BETWEEN:**

#### SUIT NO. FCT/HC/CV/3251/2020

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28.	AMINA YUSUF	
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30.	FAIZA MUHAMMED UMAR	
31.	FAIZA SHEHU SATATIMA	
32.	KANGROT PETER GUTAU	
33.	MUSA AJI	
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37.	TAWFEEKAT OLUWA BUKOLA ONI	
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49.	OYEDIRAM OPEYEMI	
50.	AISHA MUKHTAR ABUBAKAR	
51.	OYEDIRANRAFIAT IFEOLUWA	
	ABDULLAHI ABDURRATIMAN BARDA	
53.	OLAMIDE BRYAN BABALOLA	
54.	OYEDIRAN OPEYEMI KABIRAT	
	AMINA MUKHTAR ABUBAKAR	
	HAUWA ABUBAKAR	
	JAMILA MURTALA ARDO	
	HAUWA PURCHI DANGO	
	EZEOBI CHISOME JOY	
	KHADIJAH MUKHTAI	
	RUQUYYA ABUBAKAR MAJE	
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...CLAIMANTS



### **JUDGMENT**

Pursuant to Order 35 of the High Court Rules 2018 this matter was filed on the 25/11/2020 and dated same was duly marked "Undefended" on the 25/01/2021 wherein the Claimant claim the following against the Defendants.

- The sum of №3,263,816,344.58 (Three billion, two hundred and sixty-three million, eight hundred and forty-four Naira, fifty-four kobo) being the investment received by the Defendants from the Claimants.
- (2) The sum of \$50,000,000.00 (Fifty Million Naira)only as general damages for the inconveniences caused by the Defendants.
- (3) The sum of  $\mathbb{N}20,000,000.00$  (Twenty Million Naira) only as specific damages for the inconveniences caused by the Defendants.
- (4) Post Judgment interest at the rate of 10% until the Judgment sum is fully liquidated.
- (5) The sum of  $\mathbb{N}2,000,000.00$  (Two Million Naira) only as cost of the suit.

In compliance with the rule of this Court, the Claimant filed an affidavit deposed to by Enobong Ekwere Ndah a legal practitioner dated 25/11/2021.

The case for the Claimant as distilled from affidavit in support of writ of summons is that the Claimants entered into a business transaction with the Defendant jointly and severally between 2017 to 2019.

The nature of business between the Claimants and the Defendants is that the Claimant as client would invest money in a defined business package like SAND PURCHASE PACKAGE (SPP), TIPPER/TRUCK BUSINESS PACKAGE (TBP), SPECIAL INVESTMENT PACKAGE (SIP), BUS SEAT PACKAGE (BSP) and SAND PURCHASE SPECIAL PACKAGE (SPSP) and within a specified period will be paid the money invested (Capital) and their return on investment which they are at liberty to reinvest after maturity of a contract.

The contracts are as in paragraph 4 (c) (i - vii) of the supporting affidavit and in Exhibits DHB I – DHB 10.

It is in evidence that the Claimants has approached the Defendants formally for payment vide Exhibit DHB II (A Demand Letter).

The Deponent in the affidavit in support averred that the Defendant has no defence to this suit.

The Defendants in this matter, though duly served with the processes neglected and ignored to file notice of intention to

defend this action in line with Order 35 Rule 3 (1) of the Rules of this Court.

This leaves the Court with an uncontested claim which has been duly marked "Undefended" having met the basic criteria under Order 35 of the Rules of this Court.

Indeed, the procedure under Order 35 is meant to relieve the Court and parties of the rigours of pleadings and burden of going through a full trial by the Court.

I must observe that parties to a contract are bound by the clear words of the contract and in the absence of any contest, I shall therefore enter judgment in favour of Claimant in line with Order 35 Rule 4 of the Rules of this Court.

I hereby enter Judgment for the Claimants in the sum of  $\Re 2,562,499,414.15$  (Two billion, five hundred and sixty two million, four hundred and Ninety nine thousand, four hundred and fourteen naira, fifteen kobo, represent amounts due to the Claimants as provided in paragraph (4) (c) i-vi in full and amount due as of today in sub paragraph (c) vii of the supporting affidavit. And post Judgment interest of 10% until the judgment sum is fully liquidated. The sum of  $\Re 2,000,000.00$  (Two million Naira) as cost of suit is equally awarded. This is the judgment of the Court.

SGND. HON. JUDGE 6/7/2021.

# Legal Representations

- 1. Sanusi Salisu Dakat, Esq, for the Claimants.
- 2. Counsel for the Defendants is absent