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The Chairman,

Economic and Financial Crimes Commission,

Abuja.

Dear Sir,

Economic & Financial Crimes Commission
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Additional Facts On Petition Against Former Governor Godswill Obot Akpabio Of Akwa Ibom State For Gross Abuse Of Public Trust, Financial Recklessness And Money Laundering Of Akwa Ibom Tax Payers' Funds

Sequel to our earlier petition dated June 8th, 2015 on a similar subject matter bordering on Graft and Money Laundering as perpetrated with impunity and utter disregard of laid down financial regulations and due process by the Godswill Akpabio Administration, I make bold to aver as follows:

1. Between January — December 2014, it is on record that the trio of Godswill Akpabio, Mr. Etekamba Umoren, former permanent secretary, Govt. House and Mr. Udo Isobara, former Accountant — general of the state made illegal cash withdrawals amounting to N22 billion (twenty two billion Naira) from an Akwa Ibom State Government Account No. 1010375881 with Zenith Bank, Uyo. To conceal the crime, the cash withdrawals were made in multiple tranches of mostly N10 million. It is worthy of note that the between sundry personal use and unjustifiable expenditures by Godswill Akpabio and his numerous surrogates and proxies.

In the execution of these scam withdrawals from the state govt. account motioned above, funds were fraudulently retired on the basis of fictitious expenditure requests made by Mr. Etekamba, Umoren acting as permanent Secretary Government House and approved by Mr. Godswill Akpabio.

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secretary to the State government for his inglorious and nefarious roles in the money laundering *rackets*.

3. . Worthy of mention is the fact that another whopping sum of (Eighteen billion naira) N18b was also illegally withdrawn during the same period January to December 2014 for fictitious personal expenditures of Chief Godswill Akpabio using the Special Services Department of the Governor's Office as the conduit for Money Laundering. The total sum of N18 billion was also siphoned using multiple cash withdrawals of mostly N10m from the Akwa Ibom State Government Main FAAC Account with the United Bank for Africa, Uyo in order not to attract attention to the fraud. In order to conceal the fraud Chief Akpabio approved fictitious expenditure requests submitted by the Permanent Secretary, Special Services Department while diverting the sums illegally withdrawn for his personal use. It is instructive to note that the total cash withdrawals made through the Offices of the Permanent Secretary, Governor's Office and the Permanent Secretary, Special Services Department in just one year 2014 amounts to N40.1 billion. It should be noted that the total sum of N40.1 billion fraudulently withdrawn as cash by the two offices in 2014 was not spent on any capital projects. So what was the whopping sum of N40 billion spent on? The cumulative aggregate of these monies stolen by Godswill Akpabio from the coffers of government as pocket money in just one year incidentally is the annual budget of some states in Nigeria put together. This is only a tip of the iceberg as this mindless looting of the State's resources was entrenched in the seven other years that Godswill Akpabio served as governor. A forensic examination of the financial records of the two offices will confirm this.

A bouquet of a few assets acquired by Godswill Obot Akpabio via various surrogates and proxies are itemized as follows:

- 1. A multi-billion naria Mansion at plot 5 Ikogosi Spring close off Katsina Ala Crescent Maitama, Abuja.
- 2. A multi-billion naira Mansionette at plot 28 colorado close, Maitama, Abuja.
- 3. A multi-billion naira Mansion at 22 probyn road, Ikoyi Lagos

- **4.** A multi-billion naira mansionette at plot 23 Olusegun Aina Street, Parkview Lagos
- 5. A multi-billion naira 25 storey building at Akin Adesola Street, Victoria Island, Lagos.

As earlier promised, more details of assets and graft-related funds illegally and fraudulently siphoned from Akwa Ibom State treasury and laundered to foreign destinations are in the offing. As usual, we will do the needful.

To this end, we urge you to investigate and bring Godswill Akpabio to justice, for these uncommon but unprecedented display of fraud and plunder of the resources of the good people of Akwa Ibom, who are crying for justice.

Accept the assurances of my warmest regards.



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Cc: President Muhammadu Buhari (GCFR)

President and Commander-In-Chief

Federal Republic of Nigeria.

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Inspector - General of Police.