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Monday,
February 15, 2016

The Editor-in-Chief,
The Sun Publishing Limited,
2, Coscharis Street,
Off Happyhome Avenue,
Kirikiri Industrial Layout,
Apapa,
Lagos.

Dear Sir,

**RE: DEMAND FOR RETRACTION AND PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION FOR
DEFAMATORY PUBLICATION AGAINST MAJOR GENERAL LETAM W. WIWA**

We act as counsel to Major General Letam W. Wiwa (hereinafter referred to as "our client"). We have our client's instruction to advise you as appearing hereunder.

Our client has informed us and we verily believe him to be true that, on Monday, February, 16, 2016, you caused to be published in your newspaper, the DailySun Newspaper, and circulated to the general public, the malicious lead story, to wit: "ARMS PROBE; EX-DMI, GENERAL WIWA, ARRESTED". The said publication which was published and circulated in both your print (hard copy) and online version contained in your website at: www.sunnewsonline.com, stated at page 8, amongst other libelous words, thus:

"THE Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC), at the weekend, continued its clampdown on people, who could give information on the vexed \$2.1billion arms deal probe, with the arrest of former Director of Military Intelligence (DMI), Major General Letam W. Wiwa.

This is coming at a time when Citizen's Initiative for Security Awareness (CISA), warned the media to desist from using sensational stories on military officers.

Sources revealed that General Wiwa, the Deputy Commandant at the Armed Forces Resettlement Centre, Oshodi has been transferred to Abuja, where he's being detained".

Your publication further stated that:

"Sources at the EFCC revealed that the general was picked up for questioning over the involvement of the former Chief of Army Staff in arms purchase scandal".

Our client has informed us that he was never invited, arrested and/or detained by the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) and/or taken to their Abuja Office for further investigations, as alleged in your publication under reference.

Your publication represented our client to the general public as:

- i. a fraudulent military officer, involved in the misappropriation of funds meant for purchase of military hardware;
- ii. a person and military officer unfit to be trusted with public funds; and
- iii. a person and military officer financially reckless and unprofessional about financial management.

Since you authored the aforesaid false and libellous publication, our client has been inundated with telephone calls, enquiries and visits by his colleagues, associates, friends and family members, amongst others, with regard to the contents of your libellous publication under reference. From the above, it is clear that, the instant publication was authored with the sole intention to discredit, disparage, impugn and destroy the distinguished military career, integrity, image, credibility, reputation and standing in the society, for the sole commercial benefit of your company.

As you are aware, the direct result of this malicious and libelous publication is that our client's image and reputation has been grossly disparaged and his distinguished military career dragged into the mud.

In view of the foregoing, we have our client's specific instruction to demand and we hereby DEMAND to wit:

- i. an immediate retraction of your publication by an unqualified apology in your newspaper, with equally similar prominence in your publication under reference, within two (2) days from the date of this letter; and
- ii. payment of the sum of N2,000,000,000.00 (two billion naira) for damages, which our client has suffered by reason of the content of your libelous publication.



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TAKE NOTICE that we will not hesitate to explore every legal means available to our client without further recourse to you if the demands stated above are not met within seven (7) days from the date of receipt of this letter.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,
PP: JOSEPH NWOBIKE, SAN & CO.



Dr. Joseph Nwobike, SAN



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