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PRESS RELEASE

The Ijaw Youth Council after an extensive Executive Council meeting discussed issues arising from the Nigerian policy and came up with the following resolution;

- (1) On the current relocation of the university of petroleum in Effurum Council frowned at the mischievous attitude of the Petroleum Minister Dr. Rilwanu Lukman and hails the President Umaru Yar' Adua for coming out to re-assure Nigerians that the university remained in Effurum, The IYC urged government to ensure that funding for the university is sustained to clear doubt, since the matter have brought great suspicious on the sincerity to the Yar' Adua government towards south-south.
- (2) That the Petroleum Minister Dr. Rilwanu Lukman be sacked and arrested for treasonable felony because if actually the issue of PTI relocation was not discussed at the FEC meeting, it therefore means that Lukman and his cohorts are detractors and intend to peach the North against the South which is also a breach of the oath of office he sworn to defend our constitution without fear or favour.
- (3) On the Petroleum Industrial Bill, we wish to commend the senators from the South and those senators from the North who have supported the call for justice to our people by their show of solidarity, we however state that the bill must include royalties and equality to host communities as it is enshrined in the solid mineral ACT: we demand 50% stake so that the Oil business would be co-owned by the community where Oil minerals are found.

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- (4) On the recent re-structure of the NNPC, Council frowned at the lopsided appointment of key position recently made in the NNPC we therefore call on the Nigeria senate to step in and ensure the federal character and due process is applied in that Organization.
- (5) On the recent Crisis in the North, the IYC frowned at the manner in which southerners were being killed any time there is uproar in the North. In the spirit of one Nigeria we in the South have always protected Northern interest e.g mosques and properties, but the reverse is always the case in the North. We therefore state that we will no longer fold our hands and watch helpless Southerners who do business and live in the North being killed and maimed.
- (6) We also commend the security agencies for quickly arresting the situation we hope that the PDP led government would begin now to take steps to re-unite Nigerians and address all the seeming issues of discontent that constantly rear its ugly head, be it the Niger Delta agitations, Religious crises, corruption and bad leadership.
- (7) Ministers from the South must live up to their mandate and stop the bench warming attitude. We commend the government of the South South for the bold step of challenging the status quo, and warn that all our representatives must know that they are representing people and not their personal interest.



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