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**GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE NIGERIAN IMMIGRATION LAWYERS ASSOCIATION (NILA)
TO THE NIGERIAN BAR ASSOCIATION (NBA) ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 62ND ANNUAL
GENERAL CONFERENCE HOLDING FROM FRIDAY 19TH TO FRIDAY 26TH AUGUST 2022.**

With profound pleasure, may we on behalf of the President and Chairman Board of Trustees of the Nigerian Immigration Lawyers Association (NILA) Professor Epiphany Azinge (PHD, SAN, FNILA) as well as the Board of Trustees of NILA, heartily felicitate with the President of the Nigerian Bar Association Mr. Olumide Akpata, the National Executive Council (NEC), the Technical Committee for Conference Planning (TCCP) and the entire members of the Bar and the Bench as they converge in Lagos – the centre of excellence for the 62nd Annual General Conference of the Nigerian Bar Association (NBA-AGC) themed “BLOD TRANSITIONS”.

The theme of this year's conference is apt. it does not only cover issues revolving around democratic energy and technological transitions in Nigeria but also integrates the capacity of Nigerian lawyers to service a globalised economy under the AFCTA regime.

The changes to international trade in Africa since the signing of the AFCTA as well as other social, political, technological and environmental incidents of globalization underscore the importance of immigration law in Nigeria as more foreign companies with business interest in our country require the services of Immigration Lawyers to guide them in complying with the potentially changing immigration landscape.

Consequently, while wishing the organizers and all attendees an exciting and successful conference, we urge all legal practitioners who are desirous of transitioning from the traditional function of litigation to the emerging field of immigration law to join NILA to learn the necessary skills for a fulfilling and prosperous legal practice that will meet the needs of the 21st century.

Again, we congratulate the NBA leadership and the TCCP for this bold stride and pray the Almighty to grant journey mercies to all conferees back to their respective destinations.

Dated the 22nd day of August 2022.

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