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ISSUES #11

## **DOYIN OKUPE DIES AT 72** AFTER BATTLING CANCER

Dr. Dovin Okupe, a politician and physician in Nigeria, has died at 72 after battling cancer. He was a key aide to two former Nigerian presidents and played a major role in national politics. His career spanned decades, from medicine to politics, helping to shape public discourse and political outcomes.





### RUSSIA POUND UKRAINE, AS **ZELENSKY CALLS FOR CEASEFIRE**

Russia capitalizing on pause on U.S. military aid to Ukraine fired nearly 70 missiles and 200 drones at Ukraine overnight, hitting critical infrastructure. Zelensky, with back against the wall pushes for a ceasefire, urging Russia to stop the attacks. Meanwhile, Ukraine's hold on Kursk weakens as Russian forces, aided by North Korean troops, advance. Will Ukraine fall to Putin before a peace deal is reached?



### **Nnamdi Kanu Gets Another Trial Judge**

After months of disputes, the Federal High Court has reassigned Nnamdi Kanu's case to a new judge. His legal team welcomes the decision and prepares for trial.

### TINUBU REJECTS #942 **BILLION CENSUS BUDGET**

**President Bola Tinubu has** rejected the National **Population Commission's** ₩942 billion census budget, calling for a more affordable approach using NYSC members.

### **NIGERIA DECLARES SIMON** EKPA, OTHERS, TERRORISM **FINANCIERS**

Nigeria has listed Simon Ekpa, Lakurawa terror group, and 15 entities as terrorism financiers. The government has ordered an immediate freeze on their assets.

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#### NIGERIA UNVEILS NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL DECARBONIZATION PROGRAMME

The Federal Government has launched the **National Industrial Decarbonization** Programme (NIDP) to create a regulatory framework for cutting industrial carbon emissions.

### PHOTOS: ACTRESS ONYII **ALEX IN BIRTHDAY BASH**

Nollywood's Onyii Alex celebrated her birthday with a star-studded bash! See the electrifying party photos and witness the camaraderie of Nigerian film stars.



### <u>NJIKO IGBO SPEAKS ON SIMON</u> EKPA, IGBO MARGINALIZA

Njiko Igbo Forum addresses the designation of Simon Ekpa as terrorism financier by Nigeria's government, Igbo marginalization, and Nigeria's future, calling for dialogue, inclusivity, and marshal plan for SE regional development.

### WOMAN JAILED FOR SMUGGLING \$1 MILLION FROM SAUDI ARABIA

A Nigerian court has sentenced Hauwa Abdullahi Ibrahim to prison for smuggling over \$1 million in undeclared foreign currency. She was arrested at Kano airport.



### SOLUDO CRACKS DOWN ON FAKE PASTORS. PROPHETS

The Anambra State Government is taking action against fraudulent religious leaders selling healing oils and water. While officials say this crackdown is necessary, concerns remain about potential infringements on religious freedoms.

#### PETROAN CHAIRMAN KIDNAPPED IN ABIA

**Gunmen ambushed PETROAN Chairman, Chief** Obasi Lawson, in Abia State, killing his driver and another person before taking him away. Police are searching for him.

### First U.S. Firing Squad **Execution in 15 Years**

The U.S. has carried out its first firing squad execution since 2010. South Carolina executed Brad Sigmon, convicted of a brutal double murder in 2001. His death has reignited debates on capital punishment, with activists condemning it as inhumane.

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