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ABBREVIATIONS

AC	ACTION CONGRESS
ANPP	ALL NIGERIA PEOPLES PARTY
APC	ASSISTANT POLL CLERK
APN	ACTION PARTY OF NIGERIA
ARP	AFRICAN RENAISSANCE PARTY
BHC	BORI HIGH COURT
CA	COURT OF APPEAL
CNPP	CONFERENCE OF NIGERIA POLITICAL PARTIES
CPN	COMMUNITY PARTY OF NIGERIA
ET	ELECTION TRIBUNAL
EAT	ELECTION APPEAL TRIBUNAL
EO	ELECTORAL OFFICER
JTF	JOINT TASK FORCE
LGA	LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
LGRO	LOCAL GOVERNMENT RETURNING OFFICER
NGO	NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATION
NWLR	NIGERIA WEEKLY LAW REPORT
OON	OFFICER OF THE ORDER OF THE NIGER
PDP	PEOPLES DEMOCRATIC PARTY
PHC	PORT HARCOURT
PC	POLL CLERK
PO	PRESIDING OFFICER
RSIEC	RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION
RSBC	RIVERS STATE BROADCASTING CORPORATION
SPO	SUPERVISORY PRESIDING OFFICER
WRO	WARD RETURNING OFFICER

FOREWORD

Many Nigerians believe that one important factor that has hindered the nation from attaining its potential of an egalitarian, rich, prosperous country with a stable polity, despite its huge endowment in human and material resources, has been the nation's inability over the years to conduct elections, which results are widely accepted as representing the people's wish. Other than the 1993 Presidential elections, the results of which were unfortunately annulled, many Nigerians regard most other elections in the country as having been marred by partisanship of the electoral body, unbridled violence leading to loss of lives and various forms of corrupt practices, including the manipulation of votes through dishonest and deceptive means, especially by the political class.

If this is true of elections at the national level, it is generally believed that the situation is far worse at the local government level where public opinion holds that state electoral commissions, in which constitutional responsibility for conducting elections at that level is vested, simply reflect the wishes of the party of the government in power without the slightest recourse to fairness, equity and aspirations of the people. Indeed, so strongly debated have election issues become in Nigeria, with a huge outcry for electoral reforms, that they are currently situated on the front burner of national discourse as flawed elections have come to be regarded by many as the very essence of the nation's backwardness.

It is this setting that might have informed the charge by the Governor of Rivers State, Rt. Hon. Chibuike Rotimi Amaechi, to the Chairman and members of the Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission (RSIEC), when he inaugurated the Commission on the 27th of November, 2007, "to salvage the electoral process and to conduct an election which would be worthy of emulation by other electoral commissions in the country".

As a Commission, we took this assignment seriously and put in great thought and time into our work. In the process, we came to the decision that the rational way to commence this important task was to undertake extensive consultations with many stakeholders in the State, not just in Port Harcourt, the state capital, but in all the 23 local government areas of the State, to find out from them why, in their opinion, previous

elections had been so flawed that the electoral process needed a “salvage” as was averred by the State Governor. The information so obtained from the political parties, the security agencies, professional bodies, market women, the clergy, staff of the Commission and many others was rich and revealing. This approach, not minding its cost and security risks at the time, was very effective. It formed the basis for a careful planning of the electoral process, consisting of voter education, recruitment and training of electoral personnel, supervision and monitoring of the primaries of political parties, ensuring the safety of electoral materials and sanctity of the ballots, among others.

What follows in this report is an honest account of what happened during the 2008 local government electoral process. It describes the efforts we made, the many challenges we faced, especially on the Register of Voters, and how we grappled with them, the successes recorded and the recommendations made to move the electoral process forward. It also deals with issues of litigation, re-runs and bye-elections, some of which are still ongoing and which explain the presentation of this Report at this time.

We invite all to carefully study this document as we believe that you would come to the conclusion, just as we did, that salvaging the electoral process is an action that requires the participation of everyone. Whereas the electoral body must remain transparent, impartial and firm and should provide a level playing field for everyone who wishes to stand for an election, political parties, on their part, must have well-defined organisational structures with sufficient presence that should make them electable. Furthermore, they must practise internal democracy, which should preclude them from thwarting and frustrating the wishes of their party members, with often unpleasant consequences. As for the other stakeholders, they must stand up for their rights at all times and be prepared to take all necessary measures that would ensure they are able to cast their votes and that those votes count in the eventual outcome of the elections. Lastly, the courts must realise the immense powers they are vested with constitutionally with respect to the electoral process and that these powers should be used to make votes actually count.

As the Chief Electoral Commissioner of the State, I cannot end this *foreword* without expressing my personal gratitude to the Governor of the

State, Rt. Hon. Chibuike Rotimi Amaechi, for keeping to his word of not interfering in any way in the electoral process, which he made when he and I had some discussions prior to my taking up this key assignment. Not only did he not do so, he also did not starve the Commission of funds – a well-known arm-twisting ploy usually adopted by some chief executives. This exemplary action of his, I dare say, is worthy of emulation by other chief executives as it was responsible, at least in part, for some of the achievements of RSIEC in the 2008 Local Government Council elections.

Furthermore, I wish to take this opportunity to express my deepest gratitude to the Royal Fathers in the State, Media Practitioners, Clergy and Faith-based institutions and organizations, as well as professional bodies especially the Nigerian Bar Association, Academic Staff Union of Universities, International Federation of Women Lawyers (FIDA), Nigerian Society of Engineers (NSE), the Nigerian Medical Association (NMA), Nigerian Institute of Architects, Medical Laboratory Science Council of Nigeria and Nigerian Institute of Quantity Surveyors and Estate Valuers. Also worthy of commendation are the staff of the Commission; market men and women, and various individuals who rendered honest services during the 2008 Local Government Council electoral process, especially in their capacity as *ad hoc* staff.

Regarding the mandate that was given to the Commission by His Excellency to salvage the electoral system, it can be said that this was achieved to some extent, which may serve as a model for other electoral commissions to emulate.



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SECTION 1

PRELIMINARIES

1.1 Background Information

1.1.1 Appointment and Swearing-In

The Commission comprises a Chairman, as the Chief Electoral Commissioner and seven other members, as Electoral Commissioners. They were sworn-in by the Governor of the State, His Excellency, Rt. Hon. Chibuike Rotimi Amaechi, on the 27th of November, 2007 after confirmation by the Rivers State House of Assembly. The Chairman of the Commission is Professor Nimi D. Briggs, while Hon. Dr. Sam B. Nwideduh, Hon. (Mrs.) Patience H. Obuzor, Barr. (Mrs.) Florence A. Amiesimaka, Hon. Nimi Walson-Jack, Barr. Anugbum P. Onuoha, Hon. Ebirien-Agana S. Bartimaeus and Engr. (Dr.) Asinyetogha H. Igoni are members. Arc. Joseph E. Mgbonu was appointed Secretary to the Commission. *Profiles of the Commission members are attached as Appendix 1.1*

The Chairman and four other members are from the academia; three members are legal practitioners, with one of them nominated by the Nigerian Bar Association and the other representing Civil Society Organizations. There are two female members, one of whom is a retired Permanent Secretary. The Secretary to the Commission is an architect and a civil servant.

During the swearing-in ceremony, the Governor charged the Chairman and members of the Commission to “**salvage**” the electoral process by conducting credible, free and fair Local Government Council elections in the State. He emphasized that in the past, the electoral process had been marred by votes rigging, imposition of candidates and other electoral vices perpetrated by highly placed persons. He said that he was relying on the newly inaugurated Commission to redeem the electoral process and possibly make it a model for the country, given the various stations in life of the Commissioners.

1.1.2 State of the Commission as at 27th November, 2007

After the swearing-in ceremony at the Executive Council Chambers of Government House, the Chairman and Commissioners proceeded to the headquarters of the Commission, where an inaugural meeting was held. At the meeting, the then Sole Administrator of the Commission, Sir Joe Akpa, presented his handover notes to the newly constituted Commission and took Members on a tour of the facilities of the Commission. The meeting assessed the status of the Commission and noted, among others, the following:

- i) no formal handover notes to the then Sole Administrator by the previous Commission;

- ii) suspension of all bank and financial transactions;
- iii) the absence of concrete information and records regarding details of the activities of the Commission;
- iv) that the then Sole Administrator had received nine vehicles from the previous Commission;
- v) a total of 228 members of staff on the nominal roll with 67 in the headquarters and others in the Commission's Local Government Area (LGA) offices;
- vi) that the Local Government Council elections, which were earlier scheduled for the 3rd of November, 2007 had been postponed indefinitely.
- vii) some of the sensitive electoral materials were at the time in the custody of the Central Bank of Nigeria while some non-sensitive materials were at the Head Quarters of the Commission. Outstanding materials included the Register of Voters, which was still under production;
- viii) head office was under first stage of renovation - re-roofing of the building;
- ix) the sum of ₦151,234,646.04 (One Hundred and Fifty-one Million, Two Hundred and Thirty-four Thousand, Six Hundred and Forty-six Naira, Four Kobo) only, was available as opening balance for the Commission; and
- x) weak administrative capacity.

At the end of the interaction with the then Sole Administrator, the Commission requested and obtained a 2 week extension of the stay of Sir Joe Akpa on account of the reported weak administrative capacity.

1.2 Settling Down to Work

1.2.1 Early Board Meetings

On assumption of office, the Commission was saddled with several challenges. The polity in the State was charged and expectant of the Local Government Council Elections before the former Commission was dissolved.

In the circumstance, the Commission was constrained to hold meetings on a daily basis, including weekends, in order to effectively plan and strategize on how to tackle the tasks ahead. The meetings were held in an improvised office, which lacked basic office facilities.

These meetings deliberated on the challenges of the electoral process, the need for a re-orientation of the staff of the Commission, as well as the entire populace, in line with the mandate of the new Commission. Other issues deliberated upon included how to instil discipline and engender credibility in the electoral process; the physical and administrative restructuring of the Commission; consultation with stakeholders; allocation of office spaces and assignment of responsibilities to the Commissioners. The welfare of staff, especially their unpaid emoluments, received priority attention.

1.2.2 Assignment of Responsibilities

To facilitate the work of the Commission, it was necessary to deploy the Commissioners to supervise the administration of various Local Government Area offices of the Commission and to handle related responsibilities as shown in Table 1.0.

Table 1.0: Schedule of Duties of the Chairman and Commissioners

S/No.	Chairman and Commissioners	Designated LGAs	Designated Office
1.	Prof. Nimi D. Briggs	General Administration	Finance and Accounts
2.	Barr. (Mrs.) Florence A. Amiesimaka	Ahoada East, Bonny, Ikwerre and Port Harcourt	Administration and Training
3.	Hon. (Dr.) Sam B. Nwideeduh	Abua/Odual, Degema and Oyigbo,	Logistics & Transport
4.	Hon. Nimi Walson-Jack	Andoni, Obio/Akpor & Ogba/Egbema/Ndoni	Public Affairs and Civic Education
5.	Hon. Deaconess (Mrs.) Patience H. Obuzor	Khana, Ogu-Bolo and Omuma	Budget, Planning, Research and Statistics
6.	Hon. Sir Ebirien-Agana S. Bartimaeus	Ahoada West, Akuku-Toru and Tai	Security and Stores
7.	Hon. (Barr.) Anugbum P. Onuoha	Asari-Toru, Etche, Gokana and Okrika	Legal Services and Political Parties' Monitoring
8.	Engr. (Dr.) Asinyetogha H. Igoni	Eleme, Emohua and Opobo/Nkoro	Works, Estate and Field Services

In assigning the Local Government Areas, no Commissioner was responsible for his or her own Local Government Area of origin. This was to enhance their impartiality in the electoral process and reduce areas of conflict of interests.

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SECTION 2

CONSULTATIONS WITH STAKEHOLDERS

2.1 Meetings with Stakeholders

The Commission commenced work on the electoral process by consulting with various stakeholders to obtain their inputs on what should constitute the essentials of a credible election. The meetings were usually interactive. The schedule of the meetings is attached as *Appendix 2.1*.

These meetings were held with:

- staff of the Commission;
- political parties;
- security agencies;
- royal fathers;
- religious organizations;
- the media;
- professional organizations; and
- the electorate.

The venues of these meetings included:

- The Corpus Christi Cathedral, Kaduna Street, Port Harcourt.
- St. Paul's Cathedral, Diobu, Port Harcourt.
- Nigerian Bar Association Law Centre, Port Harcourt.
- African Independent Television (AIT), Port Harcourt.
- Nigerian Television Authority, Port Harcourt
- Rivers State Broadcasting Corporation, Port Harcourt
- Rivers State Newspaper Corporation, Port Harcourt.
- Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International, Hotel Presidential, Port Harcourt
- Redemption Ministries, Omega Beach, Eastern Bye-Pass, Port Harcourt.
- Assemblies of God Church, Mile 1, Diobu, Port Harcourt.
- St. John's Anglican Church, Bishop Johnson Street, Port Harcourt
- 2nd Amphibious Brigade, Zamani Lekwot Cantonment, Port Harcourt.
- Nigerian Air Force Base, Port Harcourt
- State Security Service Headquarters, Port Harcourt
- Rivers State Police Command Headquarters, Moscow Road, Port Harcourt.
- Headquarters of RSIEC.

The stakeholders expressed their concerns and offered suggestions that had profound impact on the electoral process.

2.2 Stakeholders' Summit

The meetings that were held with the various stakeholders eventually culminated in a general stakeholders' summit on Thursday, 13th December, 2007 at the Alfred Diete-Spiff Sports Complex, Port Harcourt. The enlarged forum included persons from all the afore-mentioned groups. The Chairman of the Commission, Prof. Nimi D. Briggs, shared with the summit the information the Commission had gathered in the course of the various stakeholders' meetings and commended the various groups for all their suggestions, concerns and prayers for the Commission to succeed. He emphasized the commitment and determination of the Commission to do the right thing and solicited the co-operation and understanding of everybody. He explained that the primary target of the Commission "was to domicile the elections with the people". He informed the audience that the Commission had therefore adopted the following as its slogan: ***This time around you will vote and your vote will count.*** The Chairman then appealed to all to heed the call by the Commission to participate in the electoral process.

Unfortunately, it was at the climax of these consultations, and after this well-attended stakeholders' summit on the 13th of December 2007 that the Chairman of the Commission, Prof. Nimi D. Briggs, was trailed to his residence at the University of Port Harcourt, Choba, and kidnapped by some unknown gunmen. It took 10 days of intense persuasion and passionate appeals from well-meaning Nigerians to get his captors to release him on the 23rd of December, 2007. The abduction of the Chairman largely stalled the activities of the Commission during that period. He resumed work shortly after his release.

2.3 Development of the Code of Conduct

After due consultations, the Commission developed a Code of Conduct to direct the actions of the Commissioners, political parties, law enforcement agencies, electoral personnel, candidates, voters and community leaders.

The draft of the Code of Conduct was circulated to the political parties for their comments. These comments were received and taken into consideration in preparing the Code of Conduct. See *Appendix 2.2*

2.4 Tour of Local Government Areas

The Commission embarked on a tour of the 23 Local Government Areas in the State between the 11th and 31st of January, 2008. During the tour it held meetings with residents at the Local Government Area Headquarters. On account of the high level of insecurity in the State, particularly on its waterways at the time, it became necessary for the Commission to hire Nigerian Air Force helicopters in which the trips to Bonny and Opobo were made. These meetings, which were usually well-attended by traditional rulers, security personnel, politicians, community-based organizations, youth organizations, National Orientation Agency and the electorate, afforded the Commission an opportunity to interact with, sensitize and solicit the people's support for the electoral process and the Commission's mandate. The tour also provided the opportunity for the superintending Commissioners to acquaint themselves with the

status of their Local Government Area offices. *Appendix 2.3* is the schedule for the tour of the 23 Local Government Areas of the State.

The Code of Conduct, Guidelines for the 2008 Local Government Council elections and Application Forms for the recruitment of ad hoc staff for the elections were distributed at these meetings. A copy of the Guidelines is marked as *Appendix 2.4* and the Application Form as *Appendix 2.5*.

2.5 Concerns Expressed during the Consultations

These were about:

RSIEC

- disillusionment with the Commission over the conduct of previous Local Government Council elections;
- connivance of RSIEC staff and Electoral Commissioners with politicians to rig elections;
- low morale among RSIEC staff arising from unpaid arrears of salaries, outstanding Christmas bonuses for four years and lack of promotions;
- poor remuneration of electoral staff in relation to the risks associated with the job they perform;
- poor logistics arrangements by the Commission during elections;
- infrastructural decay in existing Local Government Area offices of the Commission;
- lack of adequate office space for RSIEC staff;
- violence during elections and the attendant risks to electoral personnel;
- the housing of RSIEC Local Government Area offices in the premises of Local Government Council Secretariats; and
- the use of Local Government Council offices for the distribution of electoral materials and collation of results.

Political Parties:

- decision of some political parties to participate in the elections was predicated on the integrity of the Chairman and members of the current Commission;
- unfair competition where the political party in power uses public funds to finance elections to the detriment of other political parties;
- the need to increase grants to political parties from N5million to N20million per party;
- allegations that some political parties are not grassroots-based, and hence are not in a position to compete; and
- imposition of candidates on political party members.

Politicians:

- cross-carpeting of elected opposition leaders to the ruling party; and
- harassments and intimidation of electoral staff by politicians.

Government:

- inadequate funding of the electoral process; and
- undue Government influence on the electoral process, especially in the recruitment of ad hoc staff.

Security Agencies:

- use of security agencies by politicians in power to threaten and intimidate opponents.

Media:

- insecurity of media personnel covering elections.
- inadequate training of media personnel on electoral matters.
- Partisan coverage of the electoral process by some media organizations.

2.6 Suggestions offered during the consultations

These include:

- display of the Register of Voters to allow voters identify their polling units;
- RSIEC's resolve to conduct credible elections must be accompanied with good logistics, timely distribution of electoral materials and recruitment of honest ad hoc staff, among others;
- political party agents should be allowed at collation centres;
- RSIEC Commissioners and Staff should resist the influence of government officials and friends;
- critical evaluation of the electoral process and timely implementation of the electoral timetable;
- effective liaison with the Security Agencies;
- rules and regulations should be defined and published on time for political parties;
- need for re-orientation to de-emphasize the allure of political offices;
- civic and voter education for the citizenry should be accorded priority;
- the Commission should strive to inspire confidence and tackle apathy to the electoral process;
- RSIEC should secure accommodation for its Local Government Area offices, outside the Local Government Council premises;
- distribution of electoral materials and collation of results should be done outside the premises of the Local Government Council Secretariats; and
- adoption of option A4 as the preferred mode of voting.

During the consultations, the Commission noted that there was a widespread perception that it was only when the political party of the government in power loses, and those parties not in power win, that elections can be regarded as credible.

The concerns expressed and suggestions offered were taken into consideration by the Commission in its general planning and execution of the 2008 Local Government Council elections.

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SECTION 3

PREPARATIONS FOR THE ELECTIONS

3.1 Assessment of Election Materials

In view of the fact that the 2007 Local Government Council elections did not hold as planned, it became necessary to assess both the election materials that were in stock and those that would generally be required for the 2008 elections. These materials are the sensitive and non-sensitive materials. See Section 1 (State of the Commission).

3.1.1 Sensitive Materials

Sensitive materials are those that are critical to the voting process. They are usually produced and stored under strict security cover. These are:

- validation stamps
- validation seals
- ballot papers
- result sheets
- Register of Voters
- indelible ink
- ballot box seals

The Commission was informed that ballot papers had been printed by the previous Commission and kept in the custody of the Central Bank of Nigeria (Port Harcourt Branch). Unfortunately, they could not be used for the 2008 elections because they had on them the date for the planned 2007 local government council elections that did not hold. Furthermore, the number of political parties whose logos were on those ballot papers was less than the number of political parties that had indicated their intention to contest the 2008 elections. After payment of demurrage to the Central Bank of Nigeria, the materials were retrieved and kept in the Commission's premises.

However, Result sheets for the 2007 Local Government Council elections had not been printed.

3.1.2 Non-sensitive Materials

Non-sensitive materials are those used for the other aspects of the voting process. These include:

- voting equipment (voting compartments, ballot boxes, tables, chairs)
- stationery (pens, paper, rulers, erasers)
- tapes for cordoning-off the voting area or indicating where voters may or may not queue

3.1.3 Vehicles

When the present Commission commenced work in November 2007, it found that the vehicles available to the Commission were in short supply. Furthermore, there were no river crafts, motorcycles or bicycles. The Commission, in accordance with its approved budget, purchased vehicles for the Chairman, Commissioners and principal officers. The cars assigned to the former Commissioners were released to them.

Furthermore, the concern for the welfare of staff and the conduct of elections warranted the purchase of a 30-seater bus. Government also provided the Commission with 23 Isuzu vans.

3.2 Announcement of Date & Presentation of Election Documents

3.2.1 Announcement of the Date of the Elections

Shortly after the release of the Chairman by his captors on the 23rd of December, 2007, the Commission announced Saturday, 29th of March, 2008, as the date of election at a Press Conference in the Conference Room of RSIEC.

At the Press Conference, the Election Timetable which was prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Law was distributed to the Press and political parties. The Timetable is attached as *Appendix 3.1*.

3.2.2 Presentation of Code of Conduct

On the 11th of January, 2008, Captain (Dr.) Elechi Amadi, an elder statesman, on behalf of the Commission, presented the Code of Conduct, which had earlier been developed by RSIEC to an audience comprising political leaders, traditional rulers, the press, government officials, non-governmental organizations, community-based organizations and religious leaders. He outlined the process of exhaustive consultations that produced the Code and emphasized that the focus of the document was to discourage compromise and engender a credible electoral process.

Copies of the Code of Conduct were distributed to the persons and organizations present at the venue and thereafter to participants at stakeholders' meetings. The document was also used for voter education.

3.2.3 Presentation of Election Guidelines

The Election Guidelines for 2008 Local Government Council elections were developed in exercise of the powers conferred on RSIEC by Section 5(c) of the RSIEC Law No 2 of 2001 as amended by RSIEC Law No. 6 of 2007. This was to stipulate rules and procedure to political parties for electioneering campaigns for the Local Government Council elections.

The Election Guidelines were also presented alongside the Code of Conduct by Captain (Dr.) Elechi Amadi on same 11th of January, 2008 and subsequently made available to the political parties, aspirants and members of the public.

In a subsequent meeting with political parties, the attention of the Commission was drawn to Article 3(l) of the Guidelines, which states:

“a person shall not be qualified as a candidate to contest the Local Government Council Elections if the person has not paid tax as and when due for a period of three years preceding the elections”.

The political parties pointed out that this section of the Law was at variance with a Court of Appeal decision in the case of **Ogbeide v. Osula and others** (2004) 12 N. W. L. R. (part 886) p.86 @ 136 paragraph a-b. Consequently, the Commission waived the above requirement during its screening exercise after verifying the information.

3.3 Display of the Register of Voters

The Register of Voters was displayed at all the 4,441 polling units in the State, from the 30th of January to the 29th of March, 2008, the date of the election. Although RSIEC law requires that the Register of Voters be displayed for a minimum of 7 days before the elections, the Commission did so for as many as 60 days to give ample time to the electorate to check their names and identify their polling units in readiness for the elections. The long period of display was also to allow time for person(s) who may have had some complaints with the contents of the Register to seek redress with INEC.

The Commission recruited ad hoc staff to paste the Register of Voters at the various units and attend to complaints. Due to defacing of the Registers in some units, the exercise had to be repeated on several occasions.

This display of the Register of Voters was monitored by the Chairman and Members of the Commission.

3.4 Design/Printing/Purchase of sensitive and non-sensitive materials

3.4.1. Ballot Papers

From the deadline set for political parties to indicate their intention to participate in the 2008 Local Government Council elections, through the party primaries and screening exercise, some of the political parties went to Court alleging exclusion from the electoral process. Against this background, it became difficult to have a ballot paper that had only the names of the political parties that had met the set criteria for the Local Government Council elections. In the design of the ballot papers, therefore, the Commission took into consideration the possibility of the Courts of Law ordering the inclusion of one or more of these other political parties. Consequently, the ballot paper was designed to include all the then 50 registered political parties.

Strenuous efforts were made to obtain the correct logos of the political parties, which in some cases, were not even available from the affected political parties. Eventually, the Commission was able to collate the logos from a variety of sources. There was

detailed checking of the information on the ballot paper. The names of the political parties were arranged in alphabetical order in four columns and quality control measures were taken.

A total of 6,000,000 ballot papers were ordered, printed and delivered in time for the elections. The Chairmanship and Councillorship elections had 3,000,000 ballot papers, respectively. In arriving at the figure, the Commission took into consideration the fact that there were 2,400,000 registered voters in Rivers State, the possibility of re-runs, bye-elections, spoilt ballots and other contingencies.

The ballot paper was an A3-size (297mm by 420mm or 11.69" by 16.53") bond paper. It had special security features with watermarks, produced with counterfoils and serialized in booklets of 100 sheets. The logos of the political parties were printed in full colours.

Samples of the Ballot Papers for the Chairmanship and Councillorship elections are included in this report as Appendices 3.2A and 3.2B, respectively.

3.4.2. Result Sheets

There were three types of Result sheets, namely i) Unit Result sheets, ii) Ward Collation Result sheets and iii) Local Government Area Collation Result sheets.

A fully-customized Result sheet was printed for each Unit and Ward with Local Government Area, Ward, and Unit name and code indicated. The logo of the Commission was printed in full colours and the names of the political parties arranged in alphabetical order in four columns, on a paper measuring 297mm by 420mm (11.69" by 16.53") commonly called A3-size, and printed into a booklet of 40 sheets of bond carbonized paper. The Result sheets had special security features with numbers and watermarks.

The Unit Result sheets for both the Chairmanship and the Councillorship elections had the names of all the political parties which appeared on the ballot paper. The collation Result sheets for the Wards and Local Government Areas did not bear the names of the Political parties because not all political parties were to contest the elections in every Ward or Local Government Area. The electoral personnel were required to fill in the relevant information.

Beginning with the bye-election for Obrikom, Ward 5, Ogba/Egbema/Ndoni LGA, both the ballot papers and Result sheets were customized to reflect the names and codes of the Units, Wards, number of registered voters in the Units and the serial numbers of the ballot papers. In these elections, only the names of the political parties that contested the elections in the Wards or Local Government Areas were reflected in the result sheets.

A breakdown of the result sheets and the quantities printed are presented in Tables 3.1 and 3.2.

Table 3: 1 - March 29, 2008 Elections Result Sheets and Quantities Printed

Description	No. Printed
Councillorship Unit Result (Original Copy)	5,000
Chairmanship Unit Result (Original Copy)	5,000
Councillorship Ward Collation (Original Copy)	500
Chairmanship Ward Collation (Original Copy)	500
Chairmanship L. G. A. Collation (Original Copy)	30
Councillorship Unit Result (Carbonized Duplicate Copy)	200,000
Chairmanship Unit Result (Carbonized Duplicate Copy)	200,000
Councillorship Ward Collation (Carbonized Duplicate Copy)	20,000
Chairmanship Ward Collation (Carbonized Duplicate Copy)	20,000
Chairmanship L. G. A. Collation (Carbonized Duplicate Copy)	1,200
Councillorship Certificate of Return	319
Chairmanship Certificate of Return	23

Table 3:2 - April 19, 2008 Re-Run Elections Result Sheets and Quantities Printed

Description	No. Printed
Councillorship Unit Result (Original Copy)	1,500
Chairmanship Unit Result (Original Copy)	50
Councillorship Ward Collation (Original Copy)	1,000
Chairmanship Ward Collation (Original Copy)	1,000
Chairmanship L. G. A. Collation (Original Copy)	50
Councillorship Unit Result (Carbonized Duplicate Copy)	60,000
Chairmanship Unit Result (Carbonized Duplicate Copy)	2,000
Councillorship Ward Collation (Carbonized Duplicate Copy)	40,000
Chairmanship Ward Collation (Carbonized Duplicate Copy)	40,000
Chairmanship L. G. A. Collation (Carbonized Duplicate Copy)	200

Samples of the Results Sheets for the Chairmanship and Councillorship elections are included in this report as Appendices 3.3A and 3.3B, 3.4A, 3.4B, 3.4C and 3.5, respectively.

3.4.3 Production of a Compendium of Wards and Units

In the course of the consultations with stakeholders, it was evident that some of them did not have adequate information about the polling units in the State. As a result, a compendium of the names, codes, and locations of the Wards and Units in the 23 LGAs was produced and distributed to the political parties and interested stakeholders.

3.4.4 Purchase of other Election Materials

The staff of the Commission went through the stores in RSIEC and ascertained the electoral materials that were in stock and the quantity of each item that was available. Consequently, the short falls in these materials were purchased.

3.5 Packaging of Election Materials

One important aspect of the preparations for the elections was the orderly arrangement of all the essential electoral materials to ensure their adequacy and ease of usage by the electoral personnel on Election Day. Every polling unit required a given set of these materials for the effective and orderly conduct of the elections. The packaging of these materials involved their grouping into batches of sensitive and non-sensitive materials according to the needs of the various polling Units, Wards, and LGAs. After packaging, sensitive materials were secured against unauthorized access.

3.6 Logistics

3.6.1 Transport Arrangements

To ease transportation problems and avert the allegations of involvement of political parties in the transportation of electoral materials and personnel, the Commission devised a novel concept of charging individual Commissioners with the responsibility of making transportation arrangements for electoral personnel and materials in their assigned Local Government Areas. Hitherto, all transportation arrangements were the responsibility of a single Commissioner. The decentralization of the transportation arrangements ensured that requirements of each LGA were worked-out, using approved unit costs for vehicles, boats, motor-cycles, wheelbarrows and bicycles.

In the riverine areas of the State, the terrain and sea piracy posed serious challenges to the movement of electoral materials and personnel. In some cases, naval gunboats were used to escort materials and personnel and to protect the waterways during the elections. However, there were instances where the Commission was constrained to conduct elections in Units and Wards located in far-flung creeks occupied by militants at the time without security cover even though adequate arrangements had been made for security. So bad was the security situation in some

parts of the State that in Bonny, materials and personnel were air-freighted from Port Harcourt.

3.6.2 Identification of Polling Units

There are 4,441 designated polling units in Rivers State. The identification of these units was germane to the conduct of credible elections. The polling units were, therefore, identified and clearly marked with polling unit posters.

The Commission confirmed the earlier complaints of stakeholders that a number of polling units were located in private houses of some individuals and palaces of traditional rulers. For the credibility of the elections and accessibility to voters, such polling units were relocated to public buildings, squares and open spaces.

The relocation of the polling units affected their identification and was met with protests from some interested persons. Consequently, the relocated polling units were re-marked for ease of identification.

After the display of the Register of Voters, RSIEC noted that some polling units did not have registered voters, otherwise called zero units. Persons who claimed to have registered or had voters' cards indicating those units were referred to the Independent National Electoral Commission, which is the statutory body responsible for the registration of voters and delineation of polling units

3.7 Recruitment, Training and Appointment of Ad hoc staff

3.7.1 Recruitment Process

The Commission understood that its desire and commitment to conduct free and fair elections would largely depend on the skill, knowledge and integrity of the ad hoc staff. In the consultations held with stakeholders in the State, the challenges posed by fraudulent ad hoc staff to the electoral process were highlighted and recommendations made. Prominent among these challenges were the allegations that the process of ad hoc staff recruitment had always been shrouded in secrecy and that politicians and government officials often influenced the process by submitting lists of ad hoc staff to Electoral Officers. The Commission, therefore, made every effort to ensure that the process of recruitment of ad hoc staff was transparent.

At meetings held with leaders of religious groups, civil society organizations and professional bodies, the criteria and modalities for recruitment of the various categories of ad hoc staff were discussed. Appeals were made to these bodies to encourage their members to enlist as ad hoc staff for the elections.

Advertisements for recruitment were placed in some newspapers for the various categories of eligible personnel required for the conduct of the elections. Visits were also made to churches and universities in Rivers State, where passionate pleas for enlistment were made to the members. Application forms were distributed at these enlightenment campaigns and meetings.

Upon receipt of the application forms, they were sorted into various categories as advertised and according to the Local Government Areas. Preliminary screening was done to select eligible candidates and the list of the selected candidates was published in "The Tide" newspapers for the purpose of public objection to candidates who may be associated with partisan interests. Objections were raised and upheld where cogent reasons were adduced. Thereafter, a final list of recruited ad hoc staff was published at the Headquarters of the 23 Local Government Areas.

3.7.2 Training of Ad hoc staff

The training was conducted at two levels, namely: i) Train-the-Trainer workshop and ii) Ad hoc staff training in the 23 Local Government Area Headquarters.

i) Train-the-Trainer Workshop

This workshop held for two days from the 8th to 9th March, 2008 at the Rivers State College of Arts and Science, Rumuola, Port Harcourt. The aim was to train persons that would train the required ad hoc staff for the elections in the 23 LGAs. 200 persons, including Lecturers, Teachers, the Clergy, Lawyers, Engineers, Medical Doctors and Electoral Officers of the Commission participated in the programme. The training featured plenary and group discussions on RSIEC mandate and expectations, election personnel, preparation for elections, voting procedure, sorting and counting of ballots, collation and announcement of results, conflict prevention at the polling unit and election offences.

A total of 16 Resource Persons drawn mainly from the Independent National Electoral Commission were engaged to train the trainers. The Training Manual is *Appendix 3.5* in this report. Other materials that were used for the training included multi-media projectors, flip chart boards and papers, public address systems, marker pens, file folders, memo pads, pens, programme of activities and name tags.

ii) Ad hoc Staff Training in LGAs

A total of 17,000 ad hoc staff were recruited and trained in various centres in the 23 Local Government Areas. There were two Trainers, per class of 74 Ad hoc staff. The Electoral Officers organized the training under the supervision of their respective Commissioners. The training schedule is attached as *Appendix 3.6*. On the scheduled dates, however, many shortlisted ad hoc staff personnel did not turn up for the training. Their absence necessitated multiple training sessions beyond the original training budget.

3.7.3 Deployment of Ad hoc staff

In Rivers State, there are a total of 4,441 polling units in 319 Wards, spread across 23 LGAs. Each polling unit was staffed with 3 poll officials. Consequently, a total of 14,665 ad hoc staff was deployed as detailed hereunder:

a) L.G.A Returning Officers	-	23
b) Ward Returning Officers	-	319
c) Supervisory Presiding Officers	-	500
d) Presiding Officers	-	4,441
e) Poll Clerks	-	4,441
f) Asst. Poll Clerks/Orderlies	-	4,441
g) Poll Monitors	-	500
Total	-	14,665

Table 3.3 is a breakdown of the ad hoc staff disposition in the 23 LGAs.

Table 3.3: Ad hoc Staff Disposition

LGAs	No. of LGA Returning Officers	No. of Ward Returning Officers	No. of Supervisory Presiding Officers	No. of Presiding Officers	No. of Poll Clerks	No. of Asst. Poll Clerks	No. of Poll Monitors.
ABOLGA	1	13	19	181	181	181	19
AELGA	1	13	16	154	154	154	16
AWELGA	1	12	12	100	100	100	12
AKULGA	1	17	21	210	210	210	21
ANOLGA	1	11	18	173	173	173	18
ASALGA	1	13	23	226	226	226	23
OLGA	1	12	11	104	104	104	11
DELGA	1	17	19	130	130	130	19
ELELGA	1	10	11	92	92	92	11
EMOLGA	1	14	27	210	210	210	27
ELGA	1	19	21	207	207	207	21
GOLGA	1	17	22	219	219	219	22
KELGA	1	13	19	181	181	181	19
KHALGA	1	19	30	295	295	293	30
OBALGA	1	17	36	359	359	359	36
ONELGA	1	17	27	268	268	268	27
OBOLGA	1	12	13	123	123	123	13
WALGA	1	12	16	151	151	151	16
OMULGA	1	10	13	130	130	130	13
ONOLGA	1	11	15	142	142	142	15
OYILGA	1	10	11	108	108	108	11
PHALGA	1	20	59	587	587	587	59
TALGA	1	10	10	91	91	91	10
TOTAL	23	319	469	4441	4441	4441	469

3.7.4 Appointment of Electoral Officers

One outcome of the stakeholders' meetings, summit and tour of the Local Government Areas was the complaint that majority of the electoral personnel, especially officers designated as Electoral Officers, were compromised and had colluded with politicians in past elections. While we were convinced that there were some honest and committed electoral officers, we found that there was some merit in the allegation. There were also complaints from some incumbent Electoral Officers in the various LGAs, regarding threats they had received from some persons who believed that they, the Electoral Officers, could influence the electoral process. These Electoral Officers requested to be redeployed to other LGAs, as otherwise they would be unable to discharge their responsibilities creditably. Against this background, RSIEC, in accordance with relevant Laws, had to engage credible members of the public as Electoral Officers.

SECTION 4

PRIMARIES OF POLITICAL PARTIES

4.1 Invitation of Political Parties

The timetable for the elections specified that the primaries of the political parties would hold between the 10th and 19th February, 2008. Consequent upon this, letters were sent to the 40 political parties that had indicated interest to participate in the elections, to further indicate dates, times and venues within the stipulated time-frame in which they would hold their primaries. The 40 Political Parties complied. *Appendix 4.1*

4.2 Monitoring of the Primaries

The whole essence of requesting political parties to furnish the Commission with the dates, times and venues for their primaries was to enable the Commission monitor and supervise the primaries as a requirement of the law. The Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission (Amendment No. 1) Law No. 6 of 2007, states in Section 3(b) that the Commission is ***to supervise, monitor and keep records of the activities of all the registered Political Parties in the state for the purpose of election into Local Government Councils in accordance with the constitution and regulations issued or made by the Political Parties.***

This led to the recruitment of 6,248 persons in the first instance for the exercise. By this time, the advertisement for the recruitment of ad hoc staff had been published and displayed. Some of the persons recruited as Monitors were screened from amongst those who had applied to work as ad hoc staff, while some others were recruited on personal recognition, as the Commission sought for only persons of unquestionable integrity.

The persons so recruited were then trained on the requirements of their position as Monitors/Supervisors. To avoid arbitrariness and ensure a uniform standard for the monitoring of all the Political Parties, a checklist - *Appendix 4.2* - was prepared, with which the Monitors reported on the primaries of the political parties. The Chairman, Commissioners and Electoral Officers were all active in the supervision of both the Monitors and primaries.

RSIEC found that the Returning Officers of some political parties were hardly on ground and when they were, had no voting materials. There were also cases where thugs disrupted the process of accreditation. Furthermore, many persons who claimed to be members of political parties did not even have party membership cards, making it difficult to establish their true identities. These anomalies gave rise to several rejections by RSIEC and repeat primaries by the political parties.

These rejections led to stiff agitations by some political parties, which believed that the Commission was too rigid in its implementation of its monitoring and supervisory roles. Such political parties urged the Commission to be flexible in the exercise of its role, as they said the people of the State were still in a learning process. The Commission did not find this argument tenable and so insisted that candidates must only emerge through valid primaries pursuant to Section 4 (7) of the Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission (Amendment No. 1) Law No.6 of 2007, which states that:

A political party wishing to participate in the Local Government Council election shall submit the list of its candidates pursuant to the primaries held in accordance with sub-section (6) of this Section within 7 days of holding such primaries.

The position of the Commission was that at the close of the primaries on the 19th of February 2008, any political party without a candidate who emerged through valid primaries would not participate in the elections. Valid primaries were primaries conducted by political parties according to their Constitutions and bye-laws, and monitored and supervised by RSIEC in accordance with Section 3 (b) of the Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission (Amendment No. 1) Law No. 6 of 2007. Sadly, the Commission found that in some cases, names of candidates who did not win the valid primaries were submitted; while in others, names were submitted where primaries did not hold at all or were inconclusive!

However of the above scenario, the Commission rejected candidates whose names were submitted by the political parties but who did not emerge from valid primaries. This led to litigation. A case in point is **Suit No. PHC/281/2008**, between **Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) & 6 ors**, as claimants and the **Rivers State Attorney-General and Commissioner of Justice, and RSIEC** as defendants, in which the PDP obtained a Court Order that compelled the Commission to screen all the candidates presented to it by the Party, whether or not the candidates emerged from valid primaries. The Court Order further directed the Commission not to prevent such candidates from contesting the March 2008 Local Government Council elections, pending the hearing and determination of the motion on notice. The Commission obeyed this Order of the Court.

In the end, two categories of candidates contested the elections. There were those who emerged from valid primaries, were screened and adjudged qualified, by the Commission. The others were those who did not emerge through valid primaries but were made candidates by Court Orders and were consequently screened by the Commission.

SECTION 5

PUBLIC AND VOTER EDUCATION

5.1 Public Education

i) Television Appearances

The Chairman and Commissioners made several appearances on the Rivers State Television and the Nigerian Television Authority to discuss the mandate of the Commission, developments in the electoral process and modalities for the 2008 LGC elections.

ii) Radio Talk-Show Programmes

The Commission had weekly radio phone-in programmes on the 2008 Local Government Council elections organized for it by the National Orientation Agency. The talk-shows were broadcast on the Federal Radio Corporation of Nigeria's Treasure FM.

During the programmes, officers of the Commission fielded questions from members of the public on the activities of the Commission and preparations for the elections. Advice was also offered on ways and means of making the 2008 elections credible.

5.2 Voter Education

The goal of the Voter Education programme was to educate, motivate, enlighten and sensitize the people on what they needed to know about the 2008 Local Government Council elections, the voting process and procedure, as well as their rights and responsibilities.

5.2.1 Objectives of the Voter Education Programme

The objectives of the Voter Education programme were to:

- emphasize RSIEC's mandate and determination to ensure that the electorate would vote and that their votes would count;
- enlighten candidates and voters on the electoral process, procedure, offences and punishment;
- build up the confidence of the electorate in the electoral process;
- encourage the electorate to come out to exercise their right to vote without fear;
- dissuade the politicians from engaging in any act that could disrupt the electoral process; and
- encourage candidates to conduct peaceful campaigns;

5.2. 2 Outcome of the Voter Education Programme

These were:

- production and broadcast of jingles both in English Language, Special English (Pidgin) and in some local languages on Radio Rivers, Rhythm 93.7 FM and Treasure 98.5 FM. The first jingle addressed the importance of the primaries of political parties as the only acceptable method for nomination of candidates. The second jingle educated the people on the voting process and procedure. It assured them that the results of the elections would be a true reflection of the votes cast. The third jingle assured the electorate of the impartiality of the Electoral Commission;
- facilitation of meetings between religious ministers, professionals, technocrats, graduates and undergraduates and the Electoral Commission;
- conduct of train-the-trainers workshop on Voter Education for community leaders;
- conduct of train-the-trainers programme for leaders of NGOs that participated in the Voter Education programme;
- conduct of Voter Education in the 23 Local Government Areas through group meetings and open air rallies;
- advocacy visits to some Traditional Rulers, Opinion Leaders, Religious Leaders and other stakeholders;
- production of T-Shirts and face caps;
- printing and distribution of flyers;
- training voters on basic electoral values and ethics, to ensure free, fair and credible elections in the communities, such as avoiding violence, refusing sale/purchase of votes, and rejecting intimidation;
- organisation and broadcast of radio and television programmes for students.
- Production of 20,000 copies of the handbill on '**How to Vote**'; and
- pasting of the Commission's Voter Education posters at all Units in the various Wards.

5.3 Broadcast by the Chairman of the Commission

On Thursday, 27th of March 2008, the Chairman of the Commission and Chief Electoral Commissioner of the State, Prof. Nimi D. Briggs, made a State-wide radio and television broadcast to the State. He appealed to the political parties and their supporters to play by the rules of the game and eschew violence and thuggery at all levels. He also enjoined the people of Rivers State to come out in their numbers to vote for the parties of their choice. He urged them to be orderly and law-abiding at the polling units. The Chairman reaffirmed the commitment of the Commission to accurately reflect the votes cast. The full text of the broadcast is Appendix 5.1 of this report.

SECTION 6

PUBLIC RELATIONS

6.1 Courtesy Visits to Media Establishments

The Commission enjoyed a cordial relationship with the media in the course of the 2008 Local Government Council elections. As part of settling down activities, the Commission embarked on courtesy visits to media establishments in the State. The institutions visited were the Nigerian Television Authority (NTA), African Independent Television (AIT), Rivers State Broadcasting Corporation (RSBC) - Radio Rivers, and Rivers State Newspaper Corporation, publishers of "The Tide" newspapers.

The visits were part of the consultative process. The Commission was aware that the media institutions had been around for a long time and observed many electoral processes. It was felt that they were in a position to offer counsel on the pitfalls of previous efforts at conducting credible elections. The visits also afforded the Commission an opportunity to cultivate a cordial relationship with the media, especially for the purpose of effective coverage of the 2008 Local Government Council elections.

At each of the media establishments, members of the Commission were received by the management. The Chairman espoused the mandate of the Commission, to conduct free and fair elections. He expressed the determination of the Commission to ensure that the votes of the electorate counted in the 2008 Local Government Council elections. He sought support and suggestions to achieve the avowed mandate.

6.2 Responses by the Media

The media establishments highlighted the incidence of voter apathy in the State and the need to restore the confidence of the people in both the Electoral Commission and electoral process. They observed that there was usually a disconnect between public opinion and the position of Electoral Commissions on the credibility of elections. They enjoined the Commission, therefore, to build confidence in the electorate through civic education and re-orientation. A special case was made for the re-orientation of political office aspirants' perception of the purpose of public office. An appeal was also made for the organization of capacity-building programmes for the political parties and grassroots mobilization, respectively.

The conduct of the Commission was regarded as a crucial factor in the public perception of the fairness of the electoral process. To this end, the Commission was advised to, among others, accept constructive criticisms, recruit and use dispassionate persons as ad hoc staff, ensure security for media personnel covering the elections and discourage unlawful change of election results. The Commission

was also enjoined to guard against the connivance of security agents with politicians in rigging elections and to prosecute electoral offenders. The media establishments offered to propagate Voter Education and disseminate electoral information through their programmes such as “Tuesday Morning Live” and “Ways of Democracy”.

6.3 Courtesy Calls by Some Organisations

The Federated Correspondents Chapel of the Nigeria Union of Journalists paid a courtesy visit to the Commission and urged it to pay attention to the recruitment of ad hoc staff and guard against the recruitment of “professional vote riggers”. The Chapel committed itself to helping the Commission reduce apathy through the publications and programmes of its members.

The Christian Association of Nigeria (CAN) and Conference of Nigerian Political Parties (CNPP) also paid courtesy visits to the Commission to offer advice and pledge their support.

On the whole, the activities of the Commission were adequately covered by the media through effective publicity and reportage. Press releases, conferences, press announcements, interviews and discussions were regular features during the electoral process. The media also filed in independent reports and comments.

6.3 RSIEC Hospitality

The Commission supported the activities of the media in various ways. Upon a request by the Federated Correspondents Chapel, the Commission donated a set of computer and accessories to it. Some donations were also made to the National Association of Women Journalists (NAWOJ) and Nigeria Union of Journalists (NUJ).

The Commission also strove to protect media personnel covering its functions and activities from harassment.

SECTION 7

SECURITY

At the time this Commission was inaugurated in late 2007, the level of insecurity in the State was high. Sporadic shootings in parts of the State, including the streets of Port Harcourt, the State capital, even in the daytime, were not uncommon. There were several cases of kidnappings, even of school children and the elderly. There were also frequent cases of sea piracy. Consequently, these activities by warlords, who had ascribed various sections of the State as their areas of control, disrupted normal activities in the State.

In the riverine parts of the State, access to which was largely through the waterways, security posed special problems as the activities of the infamous warlords and militants were more pronounced in these areas. In addition to the kidnapping of the Chief Electoral Commissioner of the State and Chairman of the Commission, to which reference was earlier made in this report, there had been the kidnappings of two other Commissioners and one failed attempt as of the time of writing this report. Security issues were, therefore, considered to be a major challenge, not just in the conduct of the 2008 Local Government Council elections in the State, but indeed, throughout the life of this Commission. So, in preparing for the 2008 LG Council elections, stringent measures had to be taken to ensure the protection of the electorate, electoral personnel and materials. To this end, several meetings were held with security chiefs in the State - the Commissioner of Police, Director, State Security Service, Commanders of the Joint Task Force (JTF), Navy and Air Force - to ensure that adequate security arrangements were put in place.

These arrangements covered various levels of the electoral process as follows:

- escort of sensitive electoral materials to the Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission headquarters;
- protection of these materials at the Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission headquarters;
- distribution of these materials to the Local Government Area headquarters;
- further escort of these materials to the polling stations and collation centres;
- deployment of security personnel at the polling stations and collation centres;
- re-enforcing security at the Commission's headquarters before, during and after the elections; and
- beefing-up of security for the Chairman, Commissioners and Secretary to the Commission, particularly during the elections.

The printing of sensitive electoral materials was classified and they were delivered under strict security cover to the Commission's headquarters. Prior to the arrival of these materials and commencement of the elections, security operatives were camped at the Commission's headquarters to secure these sensitive materials.

Arising from the meeting of the security chiefs with the Commissioner of Police, the Divisional Police Officers of the 23 Local Government Areas mobilized their officers and men to RSIEC headquarters and escorted the electoral materials to the various LGA headquarters on Friday, the 28th of March, 2008. The materials were kept in safe custody in the Divisional Police Headquarters.

At the Divisional Police headquarters, from where the Electoral Officers distributed the materials to the Supervisory Presiding Officers, each Supervisory Presiding Officer was assigned a number of armed policemen who escorted the materials to the various polling stations. Detachments of police personnel were also retained at the polling stations and collation centres to ensure peaceful conduct of elections and counting of the votes. There were also men of the Police Force and JTF on patrol duties on the streets as well as gunboats in the waterways as rapid response measures.

It is pertinent to state that so strong were security challenges in a number of LGAs, especially in the riverine areas of the State, that the Commission was constrained, at great costs, to use helicopters to access some Local Government Area headquarters during its Stakeholders meetings and transport electoral materials to some parts of the State. The foregoing security arrangements were also deployed for the re-runs and bye-elections.

In concluding this section on security, it is noteworthy that the deplorable security situation in the State has improved tremendously since 2008. Shootings are no more features on the streets of Port Harcourt, the rate of kidnappings has dropped immensely, incidents of sea piracy have declined and normalcy has virtually returned to the State. This improved security atmosphere was evident in the conduct of some of the re-runs and bye-elections that were held later.

SECTION 8

THE ELECTIONS

8.1 Pre-commencement of Polls

The 2008 Local Government Council elections in Rivers State were held on Saturday, 29th March, 2008. The elections were scheduled to commence at 10 a.m. and end at 3 p.m. of that day. By 5 a.m., the Chairman, Commissioners, Secretary to the Commission, Electoral Officers (EOs) and a sizeable number of other electoral and security personnel were already assembled at the Commission's Headquarters in addition to those who spent the night in the premises.

Sensitive and non-sensitive materials that had earlier been packaged according to Units were distributed by the EOs to their Supervisory Presiding Officers (SPOs). Each SPO was either assigned a bus and / or a boat to convey the materials to the polling stations where some other electoral personnel were already waiting.

Thereafter, the SPOs took charge and left for their various destinations with security (Mobile Police) escorts. At the Wards, each SPO moved from one polling station to the other distributing his/her electoral materials within the number of polling units under his/her supervision. In the main elections, each SPO covered 10 polling units. This density of polling units per SPO did not allow for as much effective coverage as the Commission had desired. Consequently, in the re-runs and bye-elections that followed, each SPO was charged with a reduced coverage area of five polling units

In a number of cases, the SPOs encountered challenges in the course of the distribution of electoral materials. These challenges manifested in various forms, including:

- snatching or hijacking of electoral materials either *enroute* or at the polling stations;
- manhandling of electoral personnel;
- attacks of vehicles/boats conveying electoral materials and personnel;
- damage to vehicles of the Commission; and
- tampering with, or damage of, electoral materials.

8.2 Incidents at the Polls

In a majority of the polling stations, elections commenced as scheduled by 10 a.m. However, there were a few cases of delays in the commencement of voting due to administrative hitches, including abscondment of high ranking electoral personnel on the Election Day, mix-up in the Register of Voters, misdirection of materials as a result of unidentified Units and expansive nature of some Wards, among others.

Notable incidents at the polls include:

- persons ineligible to vote or touts/thugs with fake voters' cards turning up and demanding to be allowed to vote;
- some electoral personnel were held hostage;
- brutalization of some electoral personnel;
- offering of monetary inducements to electoral personnel;
- persons that came purposely to disrupt the elections even when they were offered tendered ballot papers;
- persons who came to demand that the election materials be surrendered to them to run the elections by themselves;
- persons who came to compromise the POs and their support staff;
- inter-party disputes and use of thugs in support of or against one political party or the other;
- impersonators posing as party agents;
- party chieftains and political appointees invading polling stations with their retinues of loyalists and official details; and
- party stalwarts' insistence on having results written in their favour.

As a result of these intimidations and harassments, a number of the electoral personnel were disillusioned and fled their duty posts for fear of their lives. Where these anomalies occurred, elections could not hold. Refusal by some electoral personnel to compromise was regarded as affront by these politicians, who reacted by threatening their lives. Some electoral personnel, however, reported being coerced into writing fake results while some others on their volition engaged in other forms of malfeasance. Such results were cancelled based on documented reports.

8.3 Monitoring of the Polls

For effective feedback from members of the public and ease of monitoring the polls, RSIEC Chairman and Commissioners made available their phone numbers to the public so as to receive information on the proceedings in the field. In addition to volunteer monitors and observers, the Commission hired its own monitors to report on the elections. Additionally, the Commissioners visited some of the polling stations to ensure that the electoral personnel performed their duties in line with the Electoral Law and Guidelines. It was, therefore, easy for the Commission to confirm or refute information from members of the public. The Commission noted with dismay that information and reports from some highly placed persons were at times contrary to the actual events at the polling stations.

8.4 End of Polls and Declaration of Results

The polls officially closed at 3.00 p.m., at which time voters that were still on the queue were allowed to cast their votes. After this, the ballot boxes were opened in the presence of the accredited agents and security personnel. The votes were sorted according to the political parties and counted. In the process, spoilt and tendered ballot papers were detected, recorded but not counted as valid votes. The number of votes obtained by each political party was recorded in the Unit results sheets, and

signed by the PO and party agents who were present. The Unit results were announced by the Presiding Officer (PO) and copies of same were given to the security personnel and party agents present.

Thereafter, the PO took the results to the Ward Collation Center and handed same to the Ward Returning Officer (WRO). The WRO then collated the unit results in the Ward and recorded same according to the scores of each political party. The results were then signed by him/her and the party agents present, and announced.

The WRO then handed over the Councillorship results to the Electoral Officer and proceeded with the Chairmanship results to the Local Government Returning Officer (LGRO). The LGRO recorded all the results from the WROs in his/her Local Government collation results sheet. After he/she and the political party agents had signed the sheets, he/she announced the results. After the announcements, the LGRO handed over the results to the EO. The EO brought the results and the field reports of the SPOs and POs to the Commissioner in charge of the LGA. The Commissioner then made an analytical summary of the votes scored by each political party, the total number of votes cast *vis-a-vis* the total number of registered voters in the Ward or LGA. From this analysis using the Summary Sheet of Candidates' Scores (Appendix 8.1) the winner was identified.

It is important to state that RSIEC had deliberately decided against collations of the elections results at the Local Government Council Secretariats. This was prompted by complaints of interference by public functionaries/political appointees by stakeholders during the Local Government Area tours by the Commission.

8.5 Declaration of Results

The Commission hired monitors for each LGA and they submitted their reports directly to the Commissioner in-charge of the LGA. The Commissioner in turn brought the results and field reports to the Commission for consideration and approval. There were reports that in some cases, counting of the votes was disrupted, collation of results could not hold, electoral personnel having result sheets were kidnapped and security challenges prevented collation in officially designated centres. In these reported and verified instances of violence and disruptions, where the proper procedure could not be observed, election results were cancelled.

Thereafter, the results and winners were declared by the Chief Electoral Commissioner of the State at a Press Conference. Details and copies of the results were then given to the press by the Public Affairs Department of the Commission. The Commissioner in charge of Public Affairs fielded questions on the elections. The detailed results of the elections are attached as Appendix 8.2

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SECTION 9

LITIGATION

9. 1. Overview

Seeking redress for perceived injustice arising from the electoral process in the courts and tribunals of Law is integral to free and fair elections. The Rivers State Local Government Election Tribunals Law No. 3, 2001 provides for the setting up of Election Tribunals and Election Appeal Tribunals for the adjudication of disputes arising from the electoral process. Accordingly, the Chief Judge of Rivers State set up the aforesaid Tribunals.

The Commission was sued in a total of One hundred and Eighty-Five cases in the regular Courts and Election Tribunals. These suits are divided into pre- and post-election cases. There were forty-nine pre-election and one hundred and twenty-eight post-election cases. Forty-five of the pre-election cases were in the High Courts while four were in the Court of Appeal.

Out of the one hundred and twenty-eight post-election cases, one hundred and three were at the Election Tribunals while twenty-five were at the Election Appeal Tribunal. At the Election Tribunals, there were thirty-eight Chairmanship and sixty-five Councillorship cases, respectively.

9. 2. Pre-Election Cases

These cases arose mainly from the primaries of the political parties, which were supervised and monitored by the Commission as provided for in Section 3(b) of RSIEC Amendment (No. 1) Law No. 6 of 2007. The Commission had 49 pre-election cases, 45 were in High Courts while four cases were at the Court of Appeal. The Courts have given rulings/judgments on 22 of the pre-election cases, 20 of which were either struck out or dismissed. Furthermore, there were two Orders of *mandamus*, directing the Commission to declare the results for Wards 6 and 7 of Ahoada-East LGA. Appendix 9.1 is a tabulation of the pre-election cases.

9. 3. Post-Election Cases

These cases arose from the conduct of the 2008 Local Government Council elections. The Commission had 128 post-election cases. The breakdown of the cases is as follows:

a)	38 Chairmanship cases	}	Election Petition Tribunals
b)	65 Councillorship cases		
c)	33 Appeal cases	-	Election Appeal Tribunals

Appendix 9.2 is a tabulation of the post-election cases.

It is note-worthy that of the 128 post-election cases, 118 were decided in favour of the Commission while 10 were decided against it. The reasons for the judgement against the Commission were:

1. The candidate declared as winner was not a registered voter. (Suit no. **EAT/30/2008 - Mr. Michael Ebenezer Anyiki v. Macmillian Ogbonna & 5 Ors**). Candidate had a temporary voters' card. The Federal High Court has since ordered that his name be transferred to the Register of Voters.
2. Two cases of non-payment of tax as and when due. The Commission relied on the case of **Ogbeide vs Osula & Ors (2004) 12 NWLR (pt 886) p.86 at p.133**, which decision is to the effect that non-payment of tax, as and when due is not a ground for the disqualification of a candidate for an election under the electoral laws of Nigeria. The Election Appeal Tribunal In its judgment held that, in the construction of a statutory provision, where a statute mentions specific things or persons, the intention is that those not mentioned are not intended to be included. In other words, the express mention of one thing in a statutory provision, automatically, excludes any other which otherwise would have been applicable by implication with regard to the same case. The Appeal Tribunal cited the case of **Ehuwa vs Ondo State INEC (2007) All FWLR (Pt. 351) p.1415 at p.1448 paragraphs E-H**. Applying this principle of law to the present application, it is quite obvious that RSIEC in relying on the case of **Ogbeide vs Osula (supra)**, relied on the Electoral Act of 2002, which does not require the payment of tax for eligibility of candidates. However, with respect to the eligibility of candidates to contest the election in a Local Government Council in Rivers State, it is the Local Government Electoral Law enacted by the State House of Assembly that is applicable. In the case of Rivers State, there is in place a Law passed and signed in 1999 by the Rivers State House of Assembly and assented to by the Governor in 1999, which is cited as the Rivers State Local Government Law No.3, 1999. The law sets out in Section 7 (1) (h) that a candidate is not qualified to hold any office as Councillor or Chairman if the person has not paid his tax as and when due, for three years, preceding the election into the Local Government Council. The Election Appeal Tribunal held that the case of **Ogbeide Vs Osula (supra)**, which is the decision of the Court of Appeal given pursuant to the provisions of the 2002 Electoral Act, is not applicable with respect to Local Government Council elections conducted under the Rivers State Local Government Law No. 3 of 1999. The 2002 and 2006 Electoral Acts are legislations of the National Assembly, and they are not applicable to the conduct of Local Government Council elections in Rivers State. The Law applicable to the conduct of Local Government Council elections in Rivers State is the Rivers State Local Government Law of 1999.

3. Four cases of election irregularities (See serial Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8 on the table of Court Orders).
4. Two cases of non-resignation of appointment by the declared winners. Records available to the Commission reveal that the winner in Ward 1, Akuku-Toru Local Government Council resigned her appointment. However, the winner could not prove her resignation during cross-examination at the Tribunal. In the second case, the declared winner did not disclose his employment status to the Commission. (See serial Nos. 25 and 31 of the cases at the Election Appeal Tribunals)
5. Inconsistency between the figures on the result declaration form and the result sheet. The Commission notes that this was a typographical error in which **2008** votes, the highest vote scored, was inadvertently typed as **20008** votes. (See serial No. 18 of the cases at the Election Appeal Tribunals).

9. 4. Court Orders

The Commission received and complied with a total of Sixteen (16) Court Orders during the period under review. These orders compelled the Commission to execute actions that were ordinarily against its predisposition. A descriptive schedule of these Court Orders is attached as **Appendix 9.3**.

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SECTION 10

FINANCE

On assumption of office, the account of the Commission stood at N151,234,646.04 (One Hundred and Fifty One Million, Two Hundred and Thirty Four Thousand, Six Hundred and Forty Six Naira Four Kobo) only. During the period under review, a further sum of N2,650,000,000.00 (Two Billion, Six Hundred and Fifty Million Naira) only, was released for the operations of the Commission.

With this amount, the Commission discharged her financial responsibilities, with regard to its recurrent and capital expenditure needs, which included the following:

- renovation of the Headquarters complex;
- furnishing and equipping of the offices at the Headquarters;
- purchase of official cars for the Chairman, Commissioners, the Secretary to the Commission and Directors;
- payment of staff salaries from November, 2007 to October, 2008;
- payment of security allowances and imprest;
- payment of outstanding allowances of members of staff, including leave allowances for four years;
- payment of rent for some local government area offices, including arrears; and
- financing the 2008 electoral process, including:
 - organizing the stakeholders' summit in Port Harcourt and stakeholders' fora in the 23 LGA headquarters of the State;
 - organizing Voter Education programmes in various communities of the 23 LGAs in the State, using NGOs;
 - monitoring of the primaries of political parties;
 - training and payment of stipends to ad hoc staff;
 - conducting the local government council elections;
 - establishing effective security;
 - payment of grants to political parties;
 - conducting election re-runs; and
 - attending to litigation matters.

The election expenses were further increased by the court orders, which were occasionally received by the Commission after it had concluded arrangements and disbursed funds for the elections. A case in point was the Court Order that stopped the re-run elections in Degema Local Government Area. This Order by the Court was dated Wednesday, 16th April, 2008 and served on the Commission in the evening of Friday, 18th April, 2008 for an election billed for the next morning, Saturday, 19th April, 2008.

The details of the income and expenditure of the Commission are as contained in the audited accounts of the Commission.

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SECTION 11

CONCLUSION

In his inaugural address to the Commission on 27th November, 2007, the Governor of Rivers State, Rt. Hon. Chibuike Rotimi Amaechi, bemoaned the lapses that had hitherto bedevilled the electoral process in the State. He charged the new Commission to salvage the electoral process and restore the confidence of citizens of the State. Furthermore, the Governor urged the Commission to conduct the elections in such a manner that it would serve as a model for other Electoral Commissions in the country.

In pursuance of this mandate, the Commission undertook extensive consultations with various stakeholders, at which it obtained inputs that enriched the electoral process. While some achievements were made, there were also a number of challenges, which the Commission had to contend with. In this concluding section, we draw attention to these challenges, achievements as well as lessons learnt. We end this section with some recommendations and implementation strategies.

11.1 Challenges

- Conflicts and crises in the elections derived mostly from defective conducts of the primaries of the political parties, for example, the abrogation of transparently conducted primaries in preference to the imposition of candidates. This absence of internal democracy led to a good number of the political parties not complying with the provisions of their own Constitutions, regulations and bye-laws in the nomination of candidates for the elections.
- The Register of Voters as provided by the Independent National Electoral Commission and with which the Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission conducted the 2008 Local Government Council elections was deficient in several respects. This constituted a major challenge to the effective conduct of the elections as indicated below:
 - some units did not have the name of any voter on the register (the so-called zero units) and yet there were people in those units who had authentic voters' cards;
 - many persons who turned up with authentic voters' cards (temporary or permanent) did not have their names on the Register of Voters;
 - names of voters were swapped between Units and Wards that were unrelated. In some instances, names of persons in one Local Government Area (LGA) were swapped with those of others in another LGA.

- there were also instances in which names that were traditionally alien to a community, and even the State, were found in large numbers; and
- there were many cases of missing photographs and mismatch of photographs with the names on the Register.
- Despite all efforts to recruit men and women of character as ad hoc staff, RSIEC found that some of those it recruited did not live up to expectations.
- The Commission found that not all of its employees were committed to its vision.
- The numerous security issues associated with militancy and cultism in the State made it very difficult and expensive to supervise the primaries of the political parties and conduct the elections.
- Simultaneous declaration of results was made difficult by the staggered returns of election results and field reports from the polling units and the need for their verification.
- The electoral timeframe, as provided for in both the Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission Law and the Local Government Law, as amended, does not give sufficient time between electoral activities, especially after the primaries of political parties. Furthermore, there are conflicts in the times within which certain activities have to be carried out.
- The issue of frequent changes of leaderships of the political parties in the State, and squabbles arising therefrom, compounded the management of the electoral process.
- Strong voter apathy led to indignation and indifference to the electoral process.
- The belief by many that it is only when the political party of the government in power loses, and those parties not in power win, that elections can be regarded as credible.
- Many voters failed in their civic duty of cross-checking their names on the Register of Voters as displayed by RSIEC before the elections.
- Some voters failed to swear to affidavits in the cases of loss, theft or destruction of their voters' cards and, therefore, could not vote.

- The disruptive activities of some political party stalwarts and appointees on the Election Day gave impetus to thuggery and electoral violence.
- The Commission had to contend with many Court Orders, some of which were to be obeyed after the Commission had mobilized personnel and materials for the elections.

11.2 Achievements

- The process of recruitment of ad hoc staff was made transparent through advertisements in newspapers, publication of names of shortlisted candidates for objections by members of the public and the training of ad hoc staff in the Local Government Areas.
- Effective monitoring and supervision of the primaries of the political parties;
- Successful liberalization and domiciliation of the electoral process in the people whereby:
 - ✓ Polling Units that were previously located in private or individual premises were relocated to public spaces;
 - ✓ electoral materials, especially ballot papers and Result Sheets, were made available and publicly shown to the people at the polling stations before commencement of voting;
 - ✓ votes were counted, recorded and announced by the Presiding Officers at the polling stations and the Returning Officers at the Collation Centres; and
 - ✓ duplicate Result Sheets were distributed to Party Agents and security operatives at the polling stations and collation centres.
- Institution of an internal mechanism for review of field reports by ad hoc staff before declaration of results. Consequently, no result was declared where there was evidence of vandalization of election materials, hijack of electoral materials, disruption of voting, manhandling of electoral personnel, falsification of results, to mention but a few. The benefit of this internal review is evident in the total number of litigation cases that arose from the elections *vis-a-vis* the number of cases decided in favour of the Commission. Furthermore, there was a substantial reduction in the level of hijacks of electoral materials, molestation of electoral personnel and other electoral vices in subsequent elections.
- Restoration of an appreciable level of confidence of the electorate in the Commission and reduction in the level of voter apathy to the electoral process. This was evidenced by the enthusiasm of the electorate to vote and the political parties to participate in the elections. However, the inaccuracies in the Register of Voters meant that this gain did not translate into actual votes cast.

- Preservation, projection and protection of the sanctity of the ballot by ensuring that every valid vote counted.

It is noteworthy that despite all the security challenges during the elections, there was no incidence of loss of life through electoral violence. It is our view that this was largely due to the confidence the electorate and political class reposed in the electoral process and the cooperation of the security agencies.

11. 3. Lessons Learnt

- Many of the political parties lacked the structure and presence in the State for effective participation in the electoral process. They did not have adequate financial resources, identifiable offices and well-defined leadership. Their participation in the electoral process was, therefore, tenuous.
- Political parties either found it difficult or were unwilling to keep within the tenets of their respective Constitutions and Bye-laws in respect of the nomination of candidates for elections into the Local Government Councils. This absence of internal democracy meant that, in some cases, candidates were handpicked rather than emerge from the democratic process.
- Monitoring and supervision of the primaries of the political parties enhanced the electoral process.
- The credibility of the elections depended largely on the accuracy of the Register of Voters as produced by the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC). The irregularities, for example, mix-up of names, existence of zero units, omission of names and photographs, non-existent units that were identified in the Register of Voters used for the elections hampered effective conduct of the elections.
- In the analysis of the Results, the Commission observed that despite the deficiencies that were noticed in the Register of Voters, voter turn-out in some instances in the March 2008 elections was heavy and either overshoot or almost equated the number of registered voters in some Units and Wards. This was in sharp contrast with the turn-out at subsequent re-runs and bye-elections. A likely explanation is that some persons may have taken advantage of the defects in the Register of Voters and manipulated the process. Furthermore, the closer supervision by RSIEC of the re-runs and bye-elections may have made such manipulations more difficult.
- Following the March 2008 elections, subsequent re-runs and bye-elections focused on a reduced number of Units and Wards. Accordingly, RSIEC modified its supervision strategy and allocated a reduced number of Units and Wards for supervision by SPOs and Commissioners. This more effective supervision portrayed vividly the spectre of sparse voter populations, which

could be as a result of disenfranchisement, disenchantment, and / or disinterest in the electoral process of a sizeable proportion of the electorate.

- The extant electoral process requires the engagement of a large number of persons for its management since preparations for elections are expected to cater for every voter on the Register of Voters. For the March 2008 elections, RSIEC utilized 7,000 Monitors for the primaries of the political parties, 14,665 ad hoc staff, and various levels of security personnel. This made the process cumbersome, costly and vulnerable to malfeasance.
- At the conclusion of polls, results could be declared for those Local Government Areas where elections had been satisfactorily concluded without deference to other Local Government Areas from where results are awaited.
- In the 2008 Local Government Council elections, there were instances of electoral malpractices in some Units and Wards as stated in this report. Where such malpractices occurred, the results were cancelled, re-runs approved and elections repeated. However, it is regrettable that no person was prosecuted in respect of those malpractices, even where arrests were made.

The 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and other enabling laws – RSIEC Law No. 2 of 2001, the Criminal Code and the Criminal Procedure Act – vest the powers to prosecute electoral offences in a State on the Attorney General of the State or an officer of the Nigeria Police.

11.4 Recommendations and Implementation Strategies

- Alternative means of conducting elections should be explored in order to reduce the large human component as is currently the case. The use of mechanical and electronic voting system is one such option.
- A comprehensive review of the Register of Voters by the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) to address the deficiencies set out in this report is strongly advocated.
- Electoral personnel who discharge their duties creditably should be rewarded adequately through commendations, plaques and certificates of honour. Employers of labour, from where electoral personnel are drawn, are encouraged to promote the culture of honesty by instituting reward regimes in their organizations.
- The Commission and electoral personnel should be insured against disabilities and deaths while performing electoral duties.

- Institutions of democracy should demonstrate a sincerity of purpose in the discharge of their duties so as to reverse the apathy of voters to the electoral process.
- Capacity building and values re-orientation should be strengthened through training, seminars and workshops for management and staff of Election Management Bodies to sensitize them to the goals and roles of their establishments in the nurturing and sustenance of a democratic society.
- The Rivers State laws governing the electoral process may require amendments to allow for adequate spacing of electoral and political activities.
- Government should preclude political appointees and top civil servants / public functionaries from visiting polling stations on Election Day with their retinues of security details and loyalists.
- Preparations for Local Government Council elections should start in good time to allow for effective management of the electoral process.
- There is a great need for the political parties to be strengthened ideologically, structurally and financially, to effectively participate in and promote a credible and sustainable democratic process. This should be seen as the responsibility of the political parties, government and civil society.
- There is need for continuous civic, character and voter education programmes to inculcate a democratic culture in the citizenry. This should be propagated and sustained at all levels of formal and non-formal education in the communities.
- Political parties should organize their activities in a democratic manner within the tenets of their respective Constitutions and Bye-laws.
- The establishment of an Electoral Offences Prosecution entity for the purposes on arresting, investigating and prosecuting electoral offenders in Local Government Council elections is desirable.

At this juncture, the question could be asked if RSIEC succeeded in salvaging the electoral process and conducting an election worthy of emulation by other electoral bodies in the country, as was required of it, at its inauguration, by the State Governor. The honest answer to this question must be, "to some extent". The "extent" to which this was done, could serve as a model for other Electoral Commissions in the country.



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The Commission at a Meeting



A citizen addressing a Stakeholders' Consultative Forum in Ngo, Andoni L.G.A.



RSIEC Commissioner Hon. (Mrs.) Patience H. Obuzor reading her welcome address at the stakeholders' Forum in Bori, Khana Local Government Area.



Dr. (Engr.) Asinyetogha H. Igoni addressing the Stakeholders' Meeting in Emohua.



From Left: RSIEC Commissioners - Hon. (Dr.) Sam B. Nwideeduh, Hon. (Mrs.) Florence A. Amiesimaka, Hon. Nimi Walson-Jack and Secretary to the Commission, Arc. Joseph E. Mgbonu, confer during a Consultative Forum in Degema L.G.A.



RSIEC Commissioners and other stakeholders at a consultative meeting in Abonnema, Akuku-Toru Local Government Area.



RSIEC Commissioner, Public Affairs and Civic Education, Hon. Nimi Walson-Jack, at the Stakeholders' meeting in Port Harcourt.



Chairman of the Nigerian Bar Association, Emmanuel Chinwe Aguma Esq; addressing the consultative meeting with professional groups at the NBA Secretariat in Port Harcourt.



RSIEC Commissioners on a courtesy call and sensitization visit to the Amanayabo of Kalabari, Prof. T. J. T. Princewill, in Buguma, Asari-Toru Local Government Area.



Hon. Anugbum P. Onuoha speaking at the meeting of the Commission with the leadership of political parties.



Hon. (Dr.) Sam B. Nwideeduh speaking at a stakeholders' meeting in Bori



The media and the Commission on a joint visit to a polling unit during the display of the Register of Voters.



Voters cross-check their names on the displayed Register of Voters in a unit in a community.



From right: Hon. Chairman of RSIEC, Prof. Nimi D. Briggs, Capt. (Dr.) Elechi Amadi, Hon. (Mrs.) Patience H. Obuzor, Dr. (Engr.) Asinyetogha H. Igoni and Sir (Hon.) Ebirien-Agana S. Bartimaeus, at the presentation of the Code of Conduct and the Guidelines for the 2008 Local Government Council elections in Rivers State.



Captain (Dr.) Elechi Amadi speaking at the presentation of the Guidelines and Code of conduct for the 2008 Local Government Council election in Rivers State.



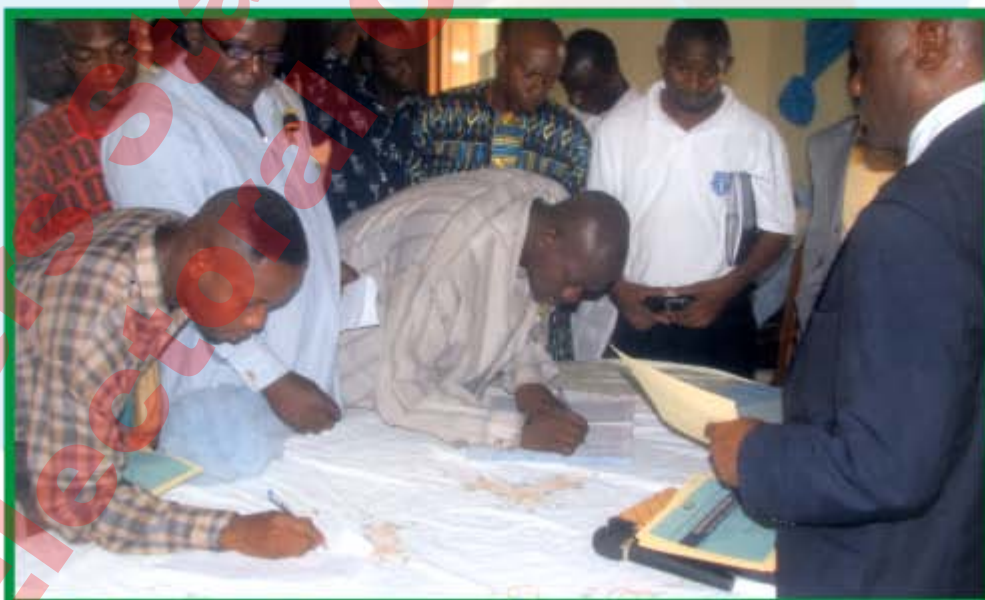
Chairman of RSIEC, Prof. Nimi D. Briggs displays the Code of Conduct for the 2008 Local Government Council elections to the electorate



Cross-section of Stakeholders at the presentation of the Guidelines and the Code of Conduct for the 2008 Local Government Council elections in Rivers State.



RSIEC Commissioners, staff and security personnel travel by boat to a riverine for an assignment



Some Councillors elected in the 2008 Local Government Council elections signing for their Certificates of Return in April, 2008

Appendix 1.1

PROFILES OF CHAIRMAN, COMMISSIONERS AND SECRETARY TO THE COMMISSION

PROFESSOR NIMI DIMKPA BRIGGS

Nimi Briggs whose parents were from Akuku-Toru Local Government Area of Rivers State was born in Port Harcourt on the 22nd of February, 1944.

He attended the University of Lagos, where he graduated with Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery degrees from the institution's College of Medicine, with distinction in Obstetrics and Gynaecology. He was the best graduating student in Obstetrics and Gynaecology as well as Paediatrics and Child Health, in July 1969. After a stint of junior clerkship at the Lagos University Teaching Hospital, he proceeded to the United Kingdom in 1972 and did his Postgraduate work at the Royal College of Obstetrics and Gynaecology in London.

On his return in 1975, he first took up an academic position at the Ahmadu Bello University Zaria, from where he transferred his services to the University of Port Harcourt in 1980 and subsequently rose to the position of Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, in 1990. He has held several academic and professional positions within and outside Nigeria and in July 2000, was appointed the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Port Harcourt, having acted in the position on two other prior occasions. He was elected the Chairman of the Committee of Vice-Chancellors of all Nigeria Universities in 2004. He is widely travelled and has published books, as well as papers, in several local and international scientific journals, magazines and newspapers.

Professor Briggs is also the current Chairman of the University of Benin Teaching Hospital Board of Management and the Rivers State Economic Advisory Council. He is a recipient of the Rivers State honour of *Justice of the Peace (JP)*, the national honour of *Officer of the Order of the Niger (OON)* and several others.

He is married with children and grand children.

HON. EBIRIEN-AGANA SAMUEL BARTIMAEUS

Hon. Ebirien-Agana Samuel Bartimaeus was born on January 1, 1964 at Ayama Agana Town in Andoni Local Government Area of Rivers State. He had his early education at Odidim Central School, Agana and Government Secondary School, Ngo all in Andoni Local Government Area. Thereafter he was admitted into the Rivers State University of Science and Technology, Port Harcourt in 1983, where he studied Medical Laboratory Sciences with a major specialization in Clinical Biochemistry. He graduated with Bachelor of Science degree with a Second Class Upper degree in 1987.

After his graduation, he served his National Youth Service Corps (NYSC) programmes at the then Benue School of Health Technology, Idah and the Idah General Hospital between 1987 and 1988. After his NYSC programme, he was admitted into the Department of Biochemistry, University of Port Harcourt where he obtained a Master's of Science (M.Sc) degree in Biochemistry in 1990.

In 1991, he joined the Department of Medical Laboratory Science, Rivers State University of Science and Technology, Port Harcourt as an Assistant Lecturer where he assiduously worked and rose to become a Senior Lecturer in 2003. In his chosen career, he has published several articles in both local and International Journals of repute. He is also an Associate Member of the Medical Laboratory Science Council of Nigeria and a member of the Nigerian Environmental Society (NES).

He is an astute and courageous unionist. As an academic staff, he was a frontline and dependable member of the Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU), Rivers State University of Science and Technology (RSUST), branch. He served the union faithfully in various capacities including being the Public Relations Officer (PRO) of the Union for two terms.

Hon. Bartimaeus is a Knight of St. Christopher (KSC) of the Anglican Church. He is married to Lady Gwunmijaan E. Bartimaeus and the marriage is blessed with two children – Esuuk and Hephzibah.

HON. NIMI WALSON-JACK

The Honourable Nimi Walson-Jack is a lawyer; criminologist; civic educator, pro-democracy, human rights and civil society activist. Over the years, Nimi Walson-Jack has successfully combined legal practice with stints in the academia, public service, politics and civil society. He is a public policy contributor, analyst and publisher. He has written numerous articles and columns for newspapers and magazines. He was the General Secretary of the Nigerian Bar Association, from August, 2004 to August, 2006.

Born on 14th November, 1963 at Owerri, Imo State in Nigeria, Nimi grew up on the shores of Oguta Lake and the rural grasslands of Bori, the heartland of the Ogoni of the Niger Delta Region of Nigeria. A native of Abonnema in Rivers State, Nimi accompanied his mother around the State in her tour of duty as a Nursing Assistant. A product of public school education, he qualified as a Barrister and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Nigeria in 1984. In addition to a Certificate in Aviation Law and Management (IAMTI-Canada), Nimi holds a Master of Economics degree in Criminology, Criminal Justice and Police Work, from the University of Wales, Cardiff, United Kingdom. At the University, Nimi was a vocal students' union activist. At the Law School his pioneering efforts culminated in the birth of a permanent Students Representative Body at the Nigerian Law School.

Nimi began his legal career with the mandatory National Youth Service Corps at the Ministry of Justice, Uyo. After one year of outstanding service, he was honoured as the Best Corps Member in Cross River State and was awarded the President's/NYSC National Honours Award for outstanding and meritorious service to the country. He carved a niche as the first lawyer to win this award.

After his National Service, Nimi established a legal practice in Bori. His law firm was the first to be established in the area. It was a prelude to later significant roles: easy access to the courts, justice for the people through providing legal aid services to indigent citizens under the Legal Aid Scheme of the Legal Aid Council and continuing public legal education. The success of the young Walson-Jack in his rural legal practice was so inspiring and exemplary that the National leadership of the Nigerian Bar Association invited him to share his experiences with fellow lawyers at the NBA National Law Week in Lagos.

When Nigeria decided to write a new Constitution in 1988, he was appointed by the Federal Government to represent the interests of the youths and students in the Constituent Assembly. Thereafter, he served as Special Assistant to the Minister of Social Development, Youth & Sports, and later Minister of Aviation. During Nigeria's Third Republic, Walson-Jack was Special Assistant to the Deputy Governor of Rivers State. He joined the human rights and civil society organizations that plotted the exit of the military from politics and return of democracy in Nigeria. A member of the influential Transition Monitoring Group, Hon. Walson-Jack coordinated election-observation activities in the Niger Delta. He is the Vice President of Civitas International, and the Founder and Executive Director of Public Education Works Initiative.

Nimi is a dynamic speaker and is knowledgeable about matters of democracy and public law. He has been honoured with national and international awards and was once identified by a national magazine as one of the 100 leaders of the next Republic. He published **LAWFAIR**, the first newsmagazine of the legal profession in Nigeria and, also, a book entitled **Drug Trafficking and The Law in Nigeria**. He was an active member of the Editorial Board of the Rivers State Law Review Committee, which produced six volumes of the Revised Edition of the Laws of Rivers State, Nigeria.

Nimi Walson-Jack is a Lay Reader of the Anglican Communion. His hobbies include singing hymns, travelling, and playing scrabble, table tennis and badminton. He is married to Didi Walson-Jack, a Deputy Director in the Federal Civil Service, and they have two children, Sotonye (Soso) and Nimi Jnr.

HON. (DR.) SAM BARILEKAANA NWIDEEDUH

Hon. (Dr.) Sam Barilekaana Nwideeduh was born on 30th December, 1949 in Kwawa, Khana Local Government Area of Rivers State. He attended the Regina Caeli Teachers' Training College, Bori, and obtained the Teachers' Grade Two Certificate in 1965. Thereafter, he proceeded to the University of Ibadan in 1972 to study a Diploma course in Drama. He also obtained a Diploma in English Language from Bennett Airmail College, London. At Indiana University, Bloomington, USA, he studied and obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree in Telecommunications in 1977, and a Masters degree in Education in 1978, majoring in Instructional Systems Technology. Between 1982 and 1985, he studied at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis / St. Paul, USA, and obtained a PhD in Educational Administration.

Hon. (Dr.) Nwideeduh was a Primary School Teacher from 1966 – 1970. From 1972 to 1973, he was, first, Information and Culture Officer in the Ministry of Information and, later, a foundation staff of the Rivers State Council for Arts and Culture.

In the United States of America (USA), he worked as a Media Librarian at the Indiana University Media Centre, and also served as a Lecturer at Wayne County Opportunities Industrialization Centre Inc., Richmond, Indiana, USA. As a National Youth Service Corper (NYSC), he served at the University of Port Harcourt (UNIPOINT). After the national service, the UNIPOINT employed him as Assistant Registrar and Faculty Officer in 1981. Between 1982 and 85, he worked as a Course Coordinator and Administrator in the University of Minnesota in the USA. In 1985, he was back at the University of Port Harcourt and promoted Senior Assistant Registrar in charge of the Registry and General Administration amongst numerous other posts.

He served as Senior Assistant Registrar, Head, Senior Professional, Administrative and Technical Staff (SPATS) and as Secretary, Appointments and Promotion Committee. Between 1990 and 1991, he was the Admissions Officer and Secretary, Committee of Provost and Deans. In 1992, he was the Administrative Secretary, Post-Associate Certificate in Education.

To his credit, Dr. Nwideeduh has many years of cognate teaching experience. His exposure traverses all levels of our educational system. In the process, he garnered numerous awards: **Who's who among Students in American Universities and Colleges; Colonial Dames Award for Academic Excellence; Dean's List; President's Student Leadership and Service Award; Phi Kappa Phi; Lover of Education Award and the 5th Distinguished Award for 2008.**

He is widely travelled and is a member, Patron, Chairman and Secretary of many professional associations and organizations. In his Public Service career, he has held many appointments. He has been a cabinet Commissioner for Special Duties, Director-General, Local Government Service Commission, Board Member, among others. Between 2000 and 2002, he was Acting General Manager, Uniport Investments Ltd., University of Port Harcourt. Also between 2005 and 2007, he served as Head, Department of Educational Management, Uniport. At RSIEC, he is the Commissioner in charge of Logistics and Transport.

Hon. (Dr.) Nwideeduh co-authored *Leadership and Supervision in Education*, and edited two other volumes. He is currently awaiting his professorial interview.

Hon. (Dr.) Nwideeduh is a Catholic and Knight of St. John's International. He is married with four children and also has grandchildren.

HON. MRS. FLORENCE ADOKIYE AMIESIMAKA

Barrister (Mrs.) Florence A. Amiesimaka was born on 11th October, 1957. From 1963 to 1968 and 1969 to 1974, respectively, she completed her primary and secondary education in Holy Child Convent School, Efut Abua, Holy Child Secondary School, Marian Hill, Calabar and Mary Knoll College, Okuku, Ogoja. Thereafter, she finished her higher school education in the Federal School of Arts and Science, Ogoja, in 1976.

She obtained a B.A. Hons degree in English from the University of Lagos in 1979, a post graduate diploma in Education in 1986 from the University of Port Harcourt, an LL.B in Law from the Rivers State University of Science and Technology in 1992 and was called to the Nigerian Bar in 1993 as a Solicitor and Advocate of the Supreme Court of Nigeria. She is also an associate member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

Mrs. Amiesimaka was a teacher of English Language and Literature in English between 1979 and 1993. She leveraged on this advantage and privilege to mould the lives of many youths in Lagos, Cross River and Rivers State, respectively. In 1993, she voluntarily withdrew her services from the Rivers State Post Primary Schools Board.

Her memberships of the Nigerian Bar Association and International Federation of Women Lawyers (FIDA) Nigeria, Rivers State Branch afford her a great platform for activism on women issues, democracy and governance. She has held various positions as Secretary, Vice Chairperson and Chairperson of FIDA Nigeria, Rivers State Branch between 1996 and 2003 and, currently, is the National Publicity Secretary/Editor-in-Chief of *LOYA* (the official newsletter of FIDA Nigeria).

She is a gender advocate and has engaged traditional and political leaderships in the State on the need to eliminate barriers to women participation in community and political governance. She led FIDA Nigeria, Rivers State Branch, to mobilize for increase in women participation in governance and contributed to various gender sensitive legislations in the State among which are the:

- Law prohibiting female circumcision (2001)
- Law prohibiting dehumanizing practices (2003)
- Law to provide reproductive health services in government owned hospitals in Rivers State (2003)

Between 1998 and 2004, Mrs. Amiesimaka actively engaged in civic education for building grassroots democracy, women in peace building and served as the Rivers State Co-ordinator for Citizens' Forum for Constitutional Reforms. She specializes in **'Using Community Participation for Institution Building and Community Development'** and has conducted several trainings under the auspices of the Centre for Education and Development (CEDD) Activities.

Before her appointment to the Commission, Mrs. F. Amiesimaka was on the staff of the Legal Services Department of the Rivers State House of Assembly from 2004 to Nov. 2007. She is married to Chief Adokiye Amiesimaka, M.O.N. and they have four children.

HON. MRS. (DEACONESS) PATIENCE OBUZOR

Mrs Patience Horsfall Obuzor was born on 7th April 1949 in the ancient city of Buguma. Patience was educated variously at the Baptist Church Primary Schools in Oyo town of Oyo State, Obinze in Imo State and Port Harcourt in Rivers State. Her secondary education was first at the Baptist Girls High School, Agbor in Delta State from 1963 to 1967. She excelled in her studies and was rewarded with the school's tuition scholarship in 1966. The school administration appointed her prefect for Walden House in 1967. At the Baptist High School, Port Harcourt in 1969, she made the best female result in WASC in Rivers State. Thereafter, Patience proceeded to Okaloosa Walton Junior College, Niceville Florida, later to the University of Florida, Gainesville Florida, United States of America where she obtained her Bachelor of Science degree in 1973. She returned to Nigeria and took up a teaching appointment with the Rivers State Government in 1974.

She is a professional educationist and attended the University of Ibadan for her Post Graduate Diploma (PGD) in Education in 1978. In 1981, she obtained a Master's Degree in Education with distinction from the University of Ibadan. She co-authored a text-book: Integrated Science for Secondary Schools.

Mrs. Obuzor's working experience has been mainly in Education – teaching and administration. She served as Senior Classroom teacher (1974-1982) and was appointed school Principal in 1982. She was a school Principal and Supervisor of Secondary Schools for 18 years and was promoted Director of Education (1996) while still in the field. She was focused, disciplined and proactive and this elicited her postings to schools that cried for reformation. She was posted to the Ministry of Education in 1998. As Director, Mrs Obuzor was H.O.D., Special Duties; Planning, Research Statistics (PRS); and Primary/Teacher Education Departments. In 2006, she was the Executive Director, Rivers State Agency for Adult and Non-Formal Education (AANFE). She was appointed Permanent Secretary with effect from 7th October, 2007. She retired from the State Civil Service upon her appointment as Honourable Commissioner in the Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission.

Mrs. Obuzor was a member, Nigeria National Youth Award Scheme Committee, Rivers State (1989); Chairman, Panel on School Boarding in Rivers State (1989-1990); Member, State Commission for Women (1990-1991), State Council Matron, Rivers State Man O' War Council (1992); Director, PABOD Finance and Investment Company Limited (1998-2001); Ministry of Education Representative, University Council, Rivers State University of Science and Technology (1998-2005); Ministry of Education representative, Rivers State College of Education Council (2003 – 2005); Chairman NTI, State Advisory Committee (2004-2005); Chairman, Nigeria School Sports Federation, Rivers State Chapter (2004-2007).

Mrs Obuzor is a practicing Christian of the Baptist denomination. In 1999, she was ordained a Deaconess of the Baptist Christian Faith at the First Baptist Church, Port Harcourt. She is a Sunday School teacher, member of Church Committees, groups, unions and also Patron of Royal Ambassadors, several choral groups. Patience loves singing, reading, travelling, sports and cooking. She is married to Chief (Dr.) I. A. Obuzor of Odiokwu Town in Ahoada West Local Government Area of Rivers State. The marriage is blessed with children and grand children.

ENGR. DR. ASINYETOGHA HILKIAH IGONI

Asinyetogha Hilkihah Igoni was born on the 27th of June 1967. An indigene of Bonny in Rivers State, he attended Boyle Memorial Primary School and Bonny National Grammar School, all in Bonny town in Rivers State, between 1972 and 1983. He obtained a Second Class (Upper) Degree of *Bachelor of Technology* (B.Tech.) in Agricultural Engineering from the Rivers State University of Science and Technology, Port Harcourt in 1989, and a *Master of Science* (M.Sc) degree in Farm Power and Machinery Engineering from the University of Ibadan, Ibadan in 1991. In 2000, he was awarded an international scholarship of ITEC/SCAAP for a computer programme in New Delhi, India, where he obtained a Certificate in Computer Network Technology from Tata InfoTech Education Centre; and in 2006, he obtained a *Doctor of Philosophy* (Ph.D) degree in Environmental Management from the Rivers State University of Science and Technology, specializing in Renewable/Alternative Energy Development.

Engr. Dr. Igoni has worked in the following capacities: Workshop Supervisor/Field Engineer, with Sahara Engineers Limited, Ibadan, as a youth corper in 1989/1990; *Assistant Lecturer*, Department of Agricultural Engineering, Rivers State University of Science and Technology, (1992), *Lecturer II* (1993/2000-2003), *Lecturer I* (2003 – 2006) and Senior Lecturer (2006 – 2007); *Executive Assistant*, Afribank Nigeria Plc. (1993 -1997); *Part-time Lecturer*, RSUST (1995 – 1997); *Assistant Camp Maintenance Supervisor* and later the *Local Labour Camp Maintenance Manager*, TSKJ Nigeria Limited (1997 – 1999). He was appointed as *Electoral Commissioner* in the Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission on the 27th of November, 2007. Until his appointment, he was a member of the 9th Governing Council of the Rivers State University of Science and Technology.

Igoni is a registered engineer with the Council for the Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria and a member of various professional organizations, including, the Nigerian Society of Engineers, where he is currently the Chairman of the Port Harcourt Branch; Nigerian Institution of Agricultural Engineers and the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers. Between 2002 and 2004, he was a member of the Board of Directors of NSEPH Limited (a company owned by the Nigerian Society of Engineers, Port Harcourt Branch) and Secretary of the Board from 2004 to 2006. In 2007 he was appointed a member of a team of Engineers to serve the Rivers State Government in the Greater Port Harcourt Development Committee.

He is a devout Christian of the Anglican Communion and a member of the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International, where he is currently the President of the 'Garden City Chapter.

Engr. Dr. Igoni is also active in his Community affairs. Between 1998 and 2000 he was the Chairman of Bonny Graduates Forum; and Chancellor, Banigo Youth Movement. He is married to Rhoda and they both have five children, Soibi, Tamunoipirinye, Tamunotaribo, Tamuno-opubo and Tamunobie.

HON. (BARR) ANUGBUM PROMISE ONUOHA

Hon (Barrister) Anugbum Promise Onuoha, an Estate Surveyor/Valuer and a Lawyer called to the Nigerian Bar as a Solicitor and Advocate of the Supreme Court of Nigeria, was born on the 8th day of August 1962 in Rumuenyiwere – Oroekpo, Community Rumuepirikom clan in Obio/Akpor Local Government Area of Rivers State.

He attended State School Rumueme from 1968 - 1974 with a distinction in First School leaving certificate. Thereafter, he proceeded to Kings College of Commerce Buguma from 1974 – 1979 with Division one in West African School Certificate. His desire to proceed to university was delayed as a result of the death of his father. He was employed as Accounts clerk by the Rivers State Ministry of Education in 1979, and resigned in 1980. He was later employed by Horicon Ltd as Senior Personnel Officer in 1980. His desire for a higher education propelled him to resign his appointment in 1983, when he was admitted to read Estate Management in the Faculty of Environmental Sciences of the Rivers State University of Science and Technology in 1983. He graduated with a Second Class Division in Bachelor of Technology (B. Tech) in 1987.

Anugbum P. Onuoha did his mandatory National Youth Service Corps at the Federal Capital Development Authority (FCDA) Abuja 1987- 1988 as Estate Surveyor/Valuer. On completion of his National Youth Service corps, he was engaged as a researcher by the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, University of Lagos in 1988.

He was employed as a Lands Officer II in the Federal Ministry of Works and Housing in 1988. He resigned as a Senior Lands Officer in 1991. He joined the Rivers State Local Government Service Commission in 1991 and was a Deputy Director until his appointment as a Commissioner in the Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission in 2007. Prior to this time, he was appointed by the Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) as a member of Caretaker Committee of National Republican Convention (NRC) Obio/Akpor Local Government Area in 1992.

He obtained Bachelor of Law (LLB) from the Rivers State University of Science and Technology in 2002 with a Second Class Honours and called to the Nigerian Bar in May 2004. He had his private legal practice in the firm of Okey Wali (SAN) & Co.

He is a member of Nigerian Institution of Estate Surveyors and Valuer, Nigerian Bar Association, International Bar Association, Nigerian Society of International Lawyers. He is the President of Apara Committee of Friends. Barr. Anugbum Promise Onuoha is a Chief and the Vice Chairman of Rumuepirikom Clan Council of Chiefs. He is a Communicating Communicant of the Anglican Communion and a member of the Deanery Council of St Peter's (ANG) Church Rumuepirikom Deanery. He is currently awaiting his Master of Laws (LLM) defence. Hon (Barr) Anugbum Promise Onuoha is married with a daughter.

ARC. JOSEPH EGBUNIWE MGBONU

Joseph Egbuniwe Mgbonu was born on 7th December, 1955 at Erema in Ogba/Egbema/Ndoni Local Government Area of Rivers State. He had his primary education in St. Joseph's School, Erema from 1959- 1965. He attended Western Ahoada County High School, Ahoada, from 1969 – 1972 for his secondary education. He was a pioneer student of Federal Government College, Port Harcourt from 1973 – 1974 where he obtained his Higher School Certificate. At the college, he was one of three students in the science segment of the Upper Six class nicknamed **computers**, for their speed of mathematical calculations.

He had a brief stint as a teacher at St. Aquinas Secondary School, Elele, then under Mr. P.N. Badom as the Principal of the School. In September 1975, he proceeded to the then Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, USSR, to study Architecture in the Building Engineering Institute, Odessa, in the Ukraine. That Institute was then recognized as one of the leading schools of Architecture in the world.

In the preparatory school in 1975 – 1976, he distinguished himself as a brilliant student and was appreciated and appropriately rewarded by the school: his photograph was displayed on the school's academic information board for a full year! When the school authorities got to know that Joseph's hero and role model is Professor Albert Einstein, they offered to transfer him to the Faculty of Mathematical Physics of the University of Leningrad where, as they put it, he would "**crack the atom**". For personal reasons, however, Joseph declined the offer. He graduated in June, 1981 and was awarded a Master of Science degree in Architecture.

He returned to Nigeria in 1981, did his mandatory National Youth Service Corps in Jos, Plateau State and was discharged in 1982, having successfully completed his one-year service. As a Youth Corper, he worked in a consortium, Design and Development Partnership, DDP, where he participated in the design of two landmark buildings in Abuja – designated then as the Federal Ministries of Youths, Sports and Culture and Education, respectively.

He joined the Rivers State Civil Service on 30th August, 1982 as Architect Grade I and, since then, has remained a civil servant. He rose to the rank of Director of Public Buildings and once held brief as Permanent Secretary of the then Ministry of Housing and Urban Development. As an architect in the Rivers State Civil Service, his entire span of professional work encompassed project management, appraisals of project proposals and advisories on same. He was in-charge of the planned preventive maintenance of Government Residential Quarters and Public Buildings and, also, the administration of Government building contracts.

He was severally deployed to offer his services as Consultant Architect to various arms of the Civil Service and Public Parastatals: Court of Appeal, Port Harcourt Judicial Division, under its then President, Hon. Justice Mamman Nasir; Rivers State Judiciary, under its then Chief Judge, the late Hon. Justice Donald Graham-Douglas; Federal Airports Authority of Nigeria- Presidential Lounge, Port Harcourt International Airport; University of Port Harcourt Teaching Hospital, Temporary Site, under its erstwhile Chief Medical Director, Chief Dr. O.R. LongJohn; University of Science and Technology, Port Harcourt- during the tenure of Prof. Augustine Ahiauzu as Vice-Chancellor; University of Port Harcourt, during the tenure of Prof. Kesley Harrison as Vice-Chancellor.

Professionally, Arc. Mgbonu is a member of the Nigerian Institute of Architects, NIA, and of the Governing Board of the Architects' Registration Council of Nigeria, ARCON. He was appointed Secretary to the Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission, RSIEC, in December, 2007. His hobbies are mainly reading and writing.

APPENDIX 2.1

SCHEDULE OF FARMILIARIZATION VISITS TO HEAD OF SCURITY AGENCIES AND MAJOR MEDIA HOUSES IN THE STATE

S/N	DATE		
1.	Mon. 10/12/07	1:00pm.	General Manager, Nigerian Television Authority, Port Harcourt.
		3:00pm.	General Manager, African Independent Television, Port Harcourt.
2.	Tue. 11/12/07	10:00pm.	General Manager, Radio Rivers, Port Harcourt.
		11:00am.	Commissioner of Police, Rivers State Command
		12:30pm.	General Manager, Rhythm FM.
		2:00pm.	State Director, Dept. of State Security, Port Harcourt.
3.	Wed. 12/12/07	10:00am.	Commander, Nigerian Airforce, SOG, Port Harcourt.
		11:00am.	Brigade Commander, 3bde Nigerian Army, Zamani Lekwot Cantonment (Bori Camp), Port Harcourt.
		12:30pm.	State Commandant, Nigeria Security & Civil Defence Corps
		2:00pm.	General Manager, Rivers State Newspaper Corporation, Port Harcourt
4.	Thurs. 13/12/07	10:00am.	Commanding Officer, NNS Pathfinder, NigeriaN Navy , Rumuolumeni.
5.	Fri. 14/12/07	10:00am.	General Manager, Rivers State Television Authority, Elelenwo, Port Harcourt.
		11:00am	State Co-ordinator, National Youth Service Corps, Port Harcourt.

APPENDIX 2.2

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS IN RIVERS STATE.

The Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission (RSIEC) in exercise of its powers under Section 5 (c) of the Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission Law 2001, as amended by Section 3 (a) of the Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission (Amendment No. 1) Law No. 6 of 2007, and realizing the need for an orderly and regulated conduct of the activities of political parties, their candidates, electoral commissioners, electoral officers, law enforcement officials/agents, during the Local Government Council elections, has produced this Code of Conduct, which the Commission expects would be adhered to by all the Stakeholders.

The Code of Conduct is the outcome of the various stakeholders' fora that were held in December 2007. It was finalized after extensive consultations and discussions with various groups, as well as inputs from the representatives of the Political Parties and members of the general public. The Code of Conduct is aimed at maintaining law and order as well as a peaceful atmosphere during the election campaigns and on the polling day.

The Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission urges all Stakeholders to faithfully abide by this Code of Conduct, which they themselves contributed to. Observance of this Code, the Commission wishes to observe, would greatly contribute to the holding of credible elections in the State in particular and Nigeria in general. The legitimacy of a representative government is dependent on the holding of credible elections.

Professor Nimi D. Briggs
Chairman, Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission
and Chief Electoral Commissioner.

A. THE ELECTORAL COMMISSIONERS:

- Shall conduct credible, transparent, free and fair elections strictly in accordance with the electoral laws;
- Shall publish the names of the ad hoc electoral personnel engaged for the elections;
- Shall ensure that the process and procedure for the nomination of candidates for Local Government Council elections are in accordance with the constitutions, bye-laws and guidelines of the political parties;
- Shall provide equal opportunities for all political parties in the State to participate in the elections;
- Shall be seen to be fair and provide a level playing field to candidates from all political parties;
- Shall not accept gifts, bribes, gratifications or inducements of any kind from any person or political party for the purposes of influencing the course and/or outcome of the elections;
- Shall not succumb to pressure from any person or political party to influence the Local Government Council elections;
- Shall not campaign or vote for, or be seen to be supporting, overtly or covertly, the candidature of any person;
- Shall compile and keep an accurate record of the conduct and outcome of the Local Government Council elections;

- ⇒ Shall avoid public functions that bring them into partisan relationship with members of any of the political parties.

B. THE POLITICAL PARTIES:

- ⇒ Shall conduct their party affairs strictly in accordance with the Constitution and laws of Nigeria, and their respective political parties' constitutions and bye-laws;
- ⇒ Shall allow the will of the people to prevail in all instances;
- ⇒ Shall conduct free and fair primaries for the nomination of candidates for the elections;
- ⇒ Shall make their manifestos available to the general public;
- ⇒ Shall not use any means, financial, force or otherwise, to compel, intimidate, blackmail, or entreat the Electoral Commissioners, Electoral Officers the law enforcement agents, the voters or indeed any other person directly or remotely connected with the elections to falsify and thwart the course of justice with respect to the elections;
- ⇒ Shall not tamper with any electoral material;
- ⇒ Shall not allow under-aged persons to participate in the elections.

C. THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENTS:

- ⇒ Shall not use instruments of coercion to intimidate or compel law-abiding citizens to act, behave or vote in a particular predetermined manner;
- ⇒ Shall be absolutely even-handed with all voters and all candidates and members of the political parties in the discharge of their responsibilities with respect to the Local Government Council elections;
- ⇒ Shall act within the electioneering campaign rules and regulations made by RSIEC;
- ⇒ Shall ensure adequate security and protection of all citizens, especially officials of the electoral commission, candidates, political party officials and their agents, before, during and after the Local Government Council elections;
- ⇒ Shall adequately protect the properties and all electoral materials of the Commission;
- ⇒ Shall not accept gifts, bribes, gratifications or inducements of any kind from any person or political party for the purpose of influencing the course and/or outcome of the elections;
- ⇒ Shall not succumb to pressure from anyone or political party to influence the course or outcome of the elections.

D. THE ELECTORAL PERSONNEL/WORKERS:

- ⇒ Shall be punctual to and be diligent in all assignments during the electoral process;
- ⇒ Shall be seen to be fair and provide a level playing field to candidates from all political parties for the elections;
- ⇒ Shall not accept gifts, bribes, gratifications or inducements of any kind from any person or Political party for the purposes of wrongfully influencing the course and/or outcome of the elections;
- ⇒ Shall adequately protect and take care of all election materials, including election results;
- ⇒ Shall count the votes at the polling stations or units;
- ⇒ Shall allow all political party agents access to venues of materials' distribution, polling units, booths and collation centres;
- ⇒ Shall make available the result sheet as signed by the Presiding Officers,

or Ward Returning Officers, or Local Government Returning Officer, to the candidates or their agents.

E. THE CANDIDATES:

- Shall not take the elections as a “do or die” affair;
- Shall not impose themselves on the people or their political parties;
- Shall show due respect to fellow contestants;
- Shall abide by the rule of law and the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as well as that of their political parties;
- Shall not use any means, financial, force, or otherwise to compel, intimidate, blackmail or entreat the voters or any person directly or indirectly connected with the elections to either vote for them or falsify and thwart the course of justice with respect to the elections;
- Shall campaign using their manifestos;
- Shall not make any public statement or grant any media interview while at the polling station before, during and after casting their votes; and
- Shall leave the polling unit after casting their votes.

F. THE VOTERS:

- Shall understand and appreciate the power of their votes and so cast their votes only in accordance with their conscience;
- Shall not accept bribes or any other form of gratifications so as to support a particular candidate or political party;
- Shall not succumb to intimidation either by the law enforcement agents, political parties or candidates to do things which are wrong;
- Shall vote wisely based on their assessment of the candidates’ sincerity, manifestos, character and track records;
- Shall cast their ballots in accordance with the law and procedure, and support the counting of votes at the polling stations.

G. THE COMMUNITY LEADERS:

- Shall educate members of their Communities on the importance of free and fair Local Government Council elections;
- Shall not allow political parties or candidates to campaign in their localities using thugs or any form of intimidation;
- Shall not succumb to pressure from any person or political party to influence the outcome of the election;
- Shall not accept bribes or any other form of gratifications so as to support a particular candidate or political party;
- Shall not allow any form of violence in connection with the local government elections either before, during or after the Local Government Council elections in their community;
- Shall assist the security agencies to ensure the safety of the electoral personnel and materials deployed to their communities.

All the Stakeholders pledge to abide by this Code of Conduct in order to ensure free, fair and credible Local Government Council elections in March 2008.

**MADE in Port Harcourt, Rivers State, Nigeria,
this 11th day of January 2008.**

APPENDIX 2.3

SCHEDULE FOR THE VISITS TO THE 23 LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS

Days and Date	L. G. A	NAME OF COMMISSIONER
Monday - 14/1/08	Andoni, Gokana Khana	Nimi Walson –Jack (R) Anugbum P. Onuoha (R) Patience Obuzor (R) Ebirien-Agana Bartimaeus Sam B. Nwideeduh
Tuesday – 15/1/08	Ikwerre Obio/ Akpor	Mrs. Florence Amiesimaka (R) Nimi Walson-Jack (R) Anugbum P. Onuoha Asinyetogha H. Igoni
Wednesday – 16/1/08	Ogu/ Bolo Tai Eleme	Patience Obuzor (R) Ebirien-Agana Bartimaeus (R) Asinyetogha H. Igoni (R) Mrs. Florence Amiesimaka
Thursday – 17/1/08	Akuku – Toru Degema	Ebirien-Agana Bartimaeus (R) Sam B. Nwideeduh (R) Nimi Walson-Jack Mrs. Florence Amiesimaka
Friday – 18/1/08	Asari – Toru Emohua	Anugbum P. Onouha (R) Asinyetogha H. Igoni (R) Sam Nwideeduh Patience Obuzor
Monday – 21/1/08	Opobo /Nkoro Bonny	Asinyetogha H. Igoni (R) Nimi Walson-Jack Mrs. Florence Amiesimaka (R) Ebirien-Agana Bartimaeus
Tuesday – 22/1/08	Etche Omuma	Anugbum P. Onuoha (R) Patience Obuzor (R) Sam Nwideeduh Ebirien-Agana Bartimaeus
Wednesday- 23/1/08	Onelga Ahoada East	Nimi Walson-Jack (R) Mrs. Florence Amiesimaka (R) Mrs. Patience Obuzor Anugbum Onuoha
Thursday- 24/1/08	Oyigbo Okrika	Dr. Sam B. Nwideeduh (R) Anugbum Onuoha (R) Asinyetogha H. Igoni Mrs. Florence Amiesimaka
Friday- 25/1/08	Ahoada West Abua/Odual	Ebirien-Agana Bartimaeus (R) Dr. Sam Nwideeduh (R) Asinyetogha H. Igoni Nimi Walson-Jack Mrs. Patience Obuzor

R = Commissioner responsible for the Local Government Area

**RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT
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GUIDELINES



FOR

2008

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT
COUNCIL ELECTIONS**

**RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION (RSIEC)
GUIDELINES FOR 2008
LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS, MARCH 2008.**

In exercise of the powers conferred on the Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission (RSIEC) by Section 5 (c) of the Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission Law No 2 of 2001, as amended by Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission (Amendment No. 1) Law No. 6 of 2007, and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, to conduct the Local Government Council elections and to provide Guidelines to political parties stipulating the rules and procedure for electioneering campaigns for the 2008 Local Government Council elections, as well as any bye-elections that may arise therefrom, the Commission hereby makes the following rules and guidelines:

1. Local Government Council Elections

There shall be Local Government Council elections on Saturday, 29 March 2008 at which:

- (a) One Councilor shall be elected in each Ward in all the Local Government Areas of the State.
- (b) A Chairman shall be elected for each of the Local Government Areas of the State.

2. Qualifications for contesting the elections

(1) A person shall be qualified to contest the Local Government Council elections if the person:

- (a) is a citizen of Nigeria;
- (b) has been educated up to at least the Secondary School Certificate level or its equivalent;
- (c) has attained the age of 25 years, in the case of Councillorship election;
- (d) has attained the age of 30 years, in the case of Chairmanship election;
- (e) being a Chairman, Vice-Chairman or Councilor of a Local Government or Area Council, resigns from the Office not less than 30 days before the elections;
- (f) being a person employed in the public service of the Federation, or State, or Local Government, has resigned, withdrawn or retired from such service at least thirty (30) days before the date of the elections;
- (g) is ordinarily resident in or is an indigene of the Ward or constituency in which he intends to contest the election;
- (h) produces evidence of tax payment as and when due for a period of three (3) consecutive years immediately preceding the year of the election;
- (i) is nominated in writing, in the case of Councillorship election, by 10 persons whose names appear in the Register of Voters for the Ward in which the person intends to contest the election;
- (j) is nominated in writing, in the case of Chairmanship election, by 10 persons coming from at least two-thirds of all the Wards in the Local

Government Area where he intends to contest the election whose names appear in the Register of Voters for their respective wards;

- (k) in the case of a Councillorship election, makes a deposit of five Thousand Naira (N5,000.00) only, to the Commission;
- (l) in the case of a Chairmanship election, makes a deposit of the sum of Ten thousand Naira (N10,000.00) only, to the Commission;
- (m) is registered as a voter in the constituency in which he intends to contest the election;
- (n) is a registered member of a Political Party and is nominated and sponsored by that party after emerging winner from *primaries* conducted in accordance with the Constitution, bye-laws, rules and regulations of the party; and
- (o) in the case of the candidate contesting as Chairman, has nominated from a Ward other than his/her own, another candidate as his / her associate who shall occupy the office of Vice-Chairman:

PROVIDED that the provisions of the Law relating to qualification and disqualification of Chairman shall also apply to the Vice-Chairman.

(2) Where a person seeking to contest as a Candidate is involved in a criminal case that is pending before a Court or Tribunal, the person may nevertheless stand as a Candidate at the election pending the determination of the case:

PROVIDED that if the person is found guilty by the Court or Tribunal as the case may be, the person shall:

- (a) withdraw from the election; and
- (b) if already elected, cease to be a Councilor, Chairman or Vice-Chairman, as the case may be.

3. Disqualification from contesting the election

A person shall not be qualified as a Candidate to contest the Local Government Council elections if the person:

- (a) is adjudged to be a lunatic or is otherwise declared to be of unsound mind under any law in force in any part of Nigeria;
- (b) is under a sentence of death imposed by any Court or Tribunal in Nigeria or a sentence of imprisonment for fraud (by whatever name called) or for any other offence (other than misdemeanour or simple offence) imposed on him by such Court or Tribunal;
- (c) has been found guilty of contravention of the Code of Conduct under the Code of Conduct Bureau and Tribunal Act;
- (d) has been found guilty of an offence involving narcotic drugs or other psychotropic substances under a law in force in Nigeria or elsewhere;
- (e) has been adjudged guilty of economic sabotage against Nigeria, or of treason or treasonable felony or of disruption of public peace or security of Nigeria or any part thereof by any Court of Law or Tribunal;

- (f) has been dismissed from the Public Service of the Federation or a State or Local Government Area or Area Council, or from an employment in the Private Sector;
- (g) is an undischarged bankrupt, having been adjudged or otherwise declared bankrupt, under any law in force in any part of Nigeria or any other country;
- (h) being a person employed in the Public or Civil Service of the Federation or of a State or of a Local Government or Area Council, has not resigned, withdrawn or retired from such employment 30 days before the date of the Election; OR being a person who seeks re-election, being a person who was or is a Chairman, Vice Chairman or Councilor and has not resigned 30 days before the election;
- (i) is a member of a secret society;
- (j) has been indicted for examination malpractice, including presentation of a forged or false certificate;
- (k) has been indicted for embezzlement of Public Funds or for bribery or fraud by a Tribunal or Panel of Inquiry under the Tribunal of Inquiry Act, the Recovery of Public Property (Special Military Tribunal) Act, the Review Tribunals (Implementation of Decisions) Act, the Independent Corrupt Practices Commission Act, or the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission Act; and
- (l) has not paid tax as and when due for a period of three years preceding the election.

4. Nomination of candidates by political parties

- (1) Every political party which intends to participate in the 2008 Local Government Council elections shall nominate its candidates through a process of *primaries* conducted in accordance with the Constitution, bye-laws, rules and guidelines of the political party, and supervised by the Commission.
- (2) The Political Parties shall conduct their *primaries* between the 10th and 17th of February 2008.
- (3) Every political party shall submit the list of candidates it intends to sponsor for the elections, nominated at the party *primaries*, to the Commission in Form 002.
- (4) The list shall be accompanied by an Affidavit sworn to by each candidate at the High Court of Rivers State, indicating that the candidate has fulfilled all the constitutional and legal requirements for election into that office in Form RSIEC 001;
- (5) Any person who has reasonable grounds to believe that any information given by a candidate in the Affidavit is false may petition the RSIEC against such person seeking a declaration that the information contained in the Affidavit is false.

- (6) The screening, qualification and disqualification of candidates for the elections shall be undertaken on behalf of the Commission by a *Clearance Committee* to be constituted by the Commission.
- (7) The Commission shall investigate the complaints and facts in the affidavit and if it finds same to be true, shall reject the nomination of the candidate.
- (8) The Commission shall, not later than 21 days after receipt of the list referred to in section 4 subsection (3) above, deliver to the political parties, in Form RSIEC 003, a list of verified candidates who are adjudged qualified to contest the elections:

PROVIDED that if after the 21 days from the date a political party delivered the list of its candidates to the Commission, the political party has not been informed of the disqualification of any of its candidates, all the candidates on the list shall be deemed qualified or cleared to contest the election.
- (9) The Commission shall deliver to the political parties a list of candidates rejected by the Commission. An appeal to the Commission against the rejection of a candidate shall be on a Form provided by the Commission
- (10) Any question, issue or appeal arising from screening, clearance, qualification or disqualification of a candidate by the Clearance Committee established by the Commission in respect of the elections shall be dealt with by the Commission.
- (11) The Commission shall have the power to ratify the final list of candidates for the elections, and its decision in respect of any question, issue or appeal arising from the screening, clearance, qualification or disqualification by the Clearance Committee of a candidate in respect of the elections shall be binding.
- (12) A political Party whose nominated candidate is rejected shall have the opportunity to substitute the rejected candidate.
- (13) The nomination shall be made on Form RSIEC 4G for Councilors and Form RSIEC 4C for Chairman, which can be obtained from either the Commission's head office in Port Harcourt or the Commission's Office in the Local Government Council Area.

5. Prohibition of double nomination

- (1) No person shall nominate more than one candidate for the post of Councilor or Chairman, except where the first nominated candidate dies before the election or withdraws from the election or the nomination is not accepted as valid.
- (2). Any person who has nominated a candidate, shall not so long as the candidate stands nominated, withdraw his or her nomination.

6. Electioneering Campaigns

- (1) The Campaign period shall begin from 12:00 noon on the 25th day of February 2008, and end at 12:00 midnight on Thursday, 27th day of March 2008. For the avoidance of doubt, there shall be no radio or television jingles, media statements, releases, news or advertisements, rallies, gatherings or open meetings, with effect from midnight of 27th March 2008.

- (2) The political party, candidate or supporters shall not use any property or house belonging to the government before the election and shall not also convene any meeting in public buildings or places of worship.
- (3) The campaigns of the other political parties or candidates shall not be disrupted or obstructed.
- (4) In order to avoid conflicts, every political party shall submit a comprehensive election campaign schedule to RSIEC for clearance. Such approved campaign schedules shall be notified to the local police authority as well as other political parties.
- (5) No meetings, campaigns and rallies that would create obstruction to members of the public shall be held on any thoroughfare. For the avoidance of doubt the blockade of streets and public roads for political meetings, campaigns and rallies is prohibited.
- (6) The organizers of the meetings, campaigns or rallies shall seek remedy from the police authority against those who obstruct or otherwise create disturbances in holding the meeting. The organizers shall not resort to any action by themselves against such persons.
- (7) Posting of posters, leaflets, banners and handbills of candidates over the posters, leaflets, banners and handbills of other candidates is prohibited.
- (8) An election camp should not be set up on any road or place meant for use or movement by the members of the public by any political party or candidate.
- (9) The use of public address systems for campaigns at rallies, meetings and processions shall be restricted from 7.00a.m. to 6.00 p.m.
- (10) No candidate or supporter shall make any statement injuring the religious sentiments of others during election campaigns.
- (11) Political parties and candidates shall not base their speeches at meetings, campaigns or rallies on sectional, ethnic, or religious sentiments or prejudice.
- (12) Land, house or any other immovable or movable property of citizens, fellow contestants, and candidates of other political parties shall not be damaged during campaigns.
- (13) In the interest of peace and discipline on the elections day, vehicular traffic will be restricted between the hours of 6.00a.m. and 4:00p.m. Carrying of arms, dangerous weapons, or explosives within the perimeter of polling stations is prohibited.
- (14) A Councillorship candidate shall campaign only within the Ward in which he/she intends to contest the election. Similarly, a Local Government Chairmanship candidate shall campaign only within the Wards and Local Government Area he/ she intends to contest the election.
- (15) Campaigns shall be devoted essentially to outlining what the candidate intends to do for the people of his/her Ward or Local Government Area and how he or she intends to do it.
- (16) Political parties and candidates are prohibited from using Churches,

Mosques, or other religious places, Military or Police barracks or Stations, Public Offices and such other places for the purposes of election campaigns.

- (17) No political party, candidate or supporter shall pay, or make any commitment to pay either openly or in secret, bribes or other forms of inducement to voters for the purposes of influencing voters in the Ward or Local Government Area.

7. Election and Return of deposits

(1) No nomination shall be valid unless the sum of Five Thousand Naira (N5,000.00) only for Councilor and Ten Thousand Naira (N10,000.00) only, for Chairman in bankdraft is made payable to the Commission by the candidate is handed over to the Commission at the time of delivery of the nomination paper.

- (2) The sum deposited shall be returned to the candidate or his personal representative if:
- a) the nomination of the candidate is invalid for any reason, PROVIDED that where a nomination form was delivered by the candidate or on the candidate's behalf in more than one Ward or constituency, the deposit shall not be returned;
 - b) the candidate dies before the date of election;
 - c) there is no contested election;
 - (d) a contested election is declared void;
 - (e) in a contested election the candidate is successful; or
 - (f) in a contested election the candidate obtains not less than one-half of the total number of votes cast for the winning candidate.

8. Death of Candidate

- (1) If a nominated candidate dies before the election, the Commission shall after being satisfied of the fact of the death, countermand the poll in which the deceased candidate was to participate and the Commission shall appoint some other convenient date for the election.
- (2) Notwithstanding, the provision of sub-section (1) above, if the death of the nominated candidate occurred within the prescribed period for substitution of a candidate the Commission may if satisfied with available facts allow the political party to substitute another candidate for the election.

9. Uncontested election of Councilor

If after the latest time for the delivery of nomination papers and the withdrawal of Candidates for an election to the office of Councilor only one Candidate remains duly nominated, that candidate shall be declared "returned unopposed".

10. Contested election of Councilor

If after the latest time for the delivery of nomination papers and for withdrawal of candidates for an election to the office of Councilor, more than one person remains validly nominated, a poll shall be taken in accordance with the provisions of these Guidelines.

11. Lack of nominated Candidate

Where no candidate remains nominated in any Ward on the 29th of March 2008, the election shall be held on the 19th of April 2008.

12. Chairmanship election

- (1) The Commission shall extend the time for nomination for the office of Chairman by 7 days, if at the close of nomination:
 - a) only one candidate has been nominated; and
 - b) other candidates have been disqualified, incapacitated, disappeared or died.
- (2) Where after the extension only one candidate remains nominated, there shall be no further extension.
- (3) Where after the extension only one candidate remains duly nominated, that candidate shall be declared "returned unopposed".
- (4) A candidate for an election to the office of Chairman shall be deemed to have been elected where there being only two candidates for the election:
 - (a) he has a majority of the votes cast at the election; and
 - (b) he has not less than one-quarter of the votes cast at the election in each of at least two-thirds of all the Wards in the Local Government Area as the case may be.
- (5) Where there are more than two candidates for the election to the office of Chairman, a candidate shall be deemed to have been duly elected if the candidate:
 - (a) has the highest number of votes cast at the election; and
 - (b) has not less than one-quarter of the votes cast at the election in each of at least two-thirds of all Wards in the Local Government Area, as the case may be.
- (6) Where there are more than two candidates for an election to the office of Chairman and no candidate is duly elected at the first ballot, there shall be a second election whereby the only candidates shall be:
 - a) the candidate who scored the highest number of votes at the first election; and
 - b) the candidate who has the majority of votes in the highest number of Wards;

PROVIDED that where there is more than one candidate with the majority of votes in the highest number of Wards, the one among them with the highest number of votes cast at the election shall be the second candidate for the election.
- (7) A candidate at the bye-election mentioned in sub-section 6 above shall be deemed to have been duly elected to the office of Chairman if the candidate has:
 - (a) a majority of the votes cast at the election: and

(b) not less than one-quarter of the votes cast at the election in each of at least two-thirds of the Wards in the Local Government Area, as the case may be.

(8) If no candidate is duly elected in accordance with the procedure in sub-sections 4 and 7 above, the Commission shall make arrangement for another election between the two candidates and a candidate at this last election shall be deemed duly elected to the office of Chairman of a Local Government Council if the candidate scores a simple majority of votes cast at the election.

13. Party Agent

- (1) Each candidate may appoint one person to be referred to as "Party Agent" to attend at each polling station or unit in the area for which he is a candidate for the purpose of ensuring that the interests of the candidate are protected.
- (2) Notice in writing of the appointment of Party Agents, stating their names and addresses, as well as two (2) passport sized photographs, and the polling stations or units to which they have been assigned shall be given by the candidate to the Commission not later than 22nd of March 2008.
- (3) If a Party Agent dies or becomes incapable of acting as a Party Agent, the candidate may appoint another Party Agent in substitution, and shall forthwith give to the Commission notice in writing of the name and address of the new Party Agent so appointed.
- (4) The duty of pasting a candidate's poster or photograph at the polling station or unit and other places shall be that of the candidate or his agent.

14. Qualification to vote

A person shall be eligible to vote at the Local Government Council elections if the person:

- (a) is a citizen of Nigeria;
- (b) has attained the age of eighteen years;
- (c) is ordinarily resident in, or is an indigene of the Ward or Local Government Area where he intends to vote; and
- (d) is a registered voter in the Ward or Local Government Area, and has obtained a voters' card to be presented at the Polling Station on the day of the elections:

PROVIDED that where a person claims that his/her name is in the Register of Voters for the polling station or unit but that his/her voters card is missing or has been destroyed, the Presiding Officer shall allow the person to vote, if:

- (i) the name of the person is found in the Register of Voters for the Polling Station or unit; and
- (ii) he has satisfied himself that the person is not impersonating any other person, upon the person presenting a Nigerian International Passport, or a Drivers' License, together with an affidavit sworn to at a Magistrate or High Court in Rivers State.

15. Voting by Open Secret ballot

- (1) Voting shall be by open secret ballot and in accordance with the procedure laid down in this Guideline.
- (2) Voting shall take place on Saturday, 29th March 2008, between the hours of 10:00a.m. and 3:00p.m. throughout the State at the Wards or Local Government Areas involved in the elections.
- (3) Voting in the first and second bye-elections shall take place on Saturday, 19th April 2008, and 26th April 2008 respectively, between the hours of 10:00a.m. and 3:00p.m. throughout the State at the Wards or Local Government Areas involved in the bye-elections.

16. Allocation of polling Station or unit

- (1) No Person shall be permitted to vote at any polling station or unit unless his or her name appears in the Register of Voters of the polling unit, and the person presents a voters card or other means of identification specified in these Guidelines.
- (2) The Presiding Officer shall regulate the admission of voters to the polling stations, and shall exclude all other persons except Candidates, Polling Agents, Poll Clerks, Poll Orderlies, Poll Monitors and Observers, and any other person who in his opinion has lawful reason to be admitted.

17. Impersonation by applicant for ballot paper

- (1) If at the time a person applies for a ballot paper, or after he has so applied and before he has left the polling station, a Polling Clerk declares to the Presiding Officer that he has reasonable cause to believe that the person has committed the offence of impersonation and undertakes to substantiate the charge in a Court of Law, the Presiding Officer may order a Police Officer to arrest that person, and the Presiding Officer's order shall be sufficient authority for the Police Officer so to do.
- (2) A person in respect of whom a Polling Clerk makes a declaration in accordance with the provision of sub-section (1) of this section shall not, by reason of the declaration, be prevented from voting, but the Presiding Officer shall cause the words "protested against for impersonation" to be placed against his name in the marked copy of the Register of Voters or part of the Register of Voters.
- (3) Where a person against whose name the words specified in sub-section (2) of this section are placed admits to the Presiding Officer that he is not the person he held himself out to be, he shall not be admitted to vote if he has not already voted, and if he has already voted, the Presiding Officer shall make a note of the number of the ballot paper delivered to him and, on the count being taken that ballot paper shall be invalid.

18. Conduct of Poll

- (1) Every voter desiring to cast his/her vote shall present him/herself to a Poll Clerk at the polling station or unit at which he is entitled to vote and the Poll Clerk shall after satisfying himself that the voter:
 - (a) is a person whose name appears on the Register of Voters provided for the polling station, and
 - (b) has not already voted,

deliver to him ballot papers:

- (2) Before delivering the ballot papers to a voter, the Presiding Officer may require the voter to submit to being searched by the Presiding Officer or a person directed by him for the purpose of ensuring that ballot papers relating to the elections are not in his possession and a voter who refuses to submit to a search shall not be entitled to receive the ballot papers;
- (3) A female voter shall not be searched except by a female person;
- (4) For the purpose of satisfying the Poll Clerk as to his entitlement to vote, a voter shall produce to the Poll Clerk a registration card properly issued to the voter:
- (5) Immediately before the Poll Clerk delivers the ballot papers to a voter:
 - (a) the ballot papers shall be punched or stamped with an official stamp provided;
 - (b) the number, name, address and occupation of the voter as stated in the copy of the Register of Voters or part of the Register of Voters, shall be called out;
 - (c) the number of the voter in the Register of Voters shall be marked on the counterfoil; and
 - (d) a mark shall be placed against the number of the voter in the copy of the Register of Voters or part of the Register of Voters, to denote that ballot papers have been received by the voter but without showing the serial numbers of the ballot papers which have been received.
- (6) A Polling Clerk may, if required by a candidate or a Polling Agent, shall put to any person applying for ballot papers at the time of his application, but not afterwards, the following questions or either of them:
 - (a) "Are you the person whose name is on the Register of Voters as follows?"
(reading the copy of the entry in the register);
 - (b) "Have you already voted at the present election at this or any other polling station or unit?"
- (7) A voter shall, on receiving the ballot papers, go immediately into the screened compartment or a private space in the polling station or unit and there secretly record his vote by placing his thumbprint in the space opposite the party symbol of the candidate of his choice.
- (8) A voter shall, after recording his vote, put the ballot papers in the box in full view of the Presiding Officer and all others present.
- (9) A voter shall not record more than one vote in favour of a candidate or place on a ballot paper any writing or mark by which he may be identified.
- (10) A voter who mistakenly defaces a ballot paper issued to him shall deliver

the defaced ballot paper to the Presiding officer who shall promptly mark the ballot paper as cancelled and issue another ballot paper to the voter.

- (11) Immediately after recording his vote, a voter shall submit to having the finger nail of his left thumb marked with ink sufficiently indelible to leave a mark for a period of approximately ten hours.
- (12) A voter who suffers from blindness or from any other physical disability may be accompanied by such friend or relative as he may choose who shall, after informing the Presiding Officer, be permitted to vote in accordance with this section in the presence of the voter alone to place the voter's thumbprint against the political party symbol of the candidate of the voter's choice.
- (13) A vote shall not be recorded by a voter except by his attending in person at the polling station and recording his vote in accordance with the Law and these Guidelines.
- (14) When the prescribed hour of 3:00p.m. for the closing of voting has been reached, no more persons shall be admitted to the polling station, but those persons already inside the polling station shall be allowed to vote.

19. Ascertainment of result of poll

The result of the poll shall be ascertained by counting the votes cast for each candidate at the election.

20. Counting of votes

- (1) The Presiding Officer shall after the close of polls, open the ballot box and empty its contents in the presence of the Polling Clerk, Poll Orderly, Candidates or their agents and begin to count the votes with the ballot papers kept face upwards.
- (2) Generally, a ballot paper which does not bear the official mark shall not be counted.
- (3) If a ballot paper is rejected, the Presiding Officer shall do the following:
 - (a) endorse the word "rejected" on the ballot paper;
 - (b) prepare a statement showing the number(s) of the ballot papers rejected;
 - (c) put the rejected ballot papers in a special envelope; and
 - (d) if there be an objection he shall add to the endorsement "rejection objected to" and on request shall allow a candidate or his/her agent to copy the statement but shall not be allowed to record the serial number of a rejected ballot paper.
- (4) The Presiding Officer shall after counting of votes announce the results at the polling station and then enter the votes scored by each candidate in Form RSIEC 8A for Chairman or RSIEC 8A(1) for Councillor, as the case may be.
- (5) The Statement of Result Form shall be signed and stamped by the Presiding Officer and countersigned by the Candidates' agents, where available, at the polling station.

21. Post-election procedure and collation of results

- (1) The Presiding Officer shall give to the polling agents and the Police, copies of the completed Form RSIEC 8A or RSIEC 8A(1).
- (2) The Ward Returning Officer shall:
 - (a) take delivery of all Forms RSIEC 8A and RSIEC 8A(1) for the Chairmanship and Councillorship elections respectively from the Presiding Officers;
 - (b) collate the votes entered in Form RSIEC 8A in the case of Chairmanship election or Form RSIEC 8A(1) in the case of Councillorship election, using Form RSIEC 8B or Form RSIEC 8B (1), as the case may be;
 - (c) enter the votes in both words and figures in the appropriate space in Form RSIEC 8B(1), in the case of Councillorship election, sign the Form and get the polling agents, where available, to sign too;
 - (d) cross-check the figures in Form RSIEC 8B (1) carefully and distribute copies of same to the polling agents, monitors, observers, and security agents available at the collation center;
 - (e) for the councillorship election enter the score of each candidate in the Declaration of Results Form RSIEC 8E; and
 - (f) for the Chairmanship election enter the votes in both words and figures in the appropriate space in Form RSIEC 8B, sign the Form and get the Polling Agents, where available, to sign too.

22. Announcement of Election Results

- (1) There shall be appointed for each Ward and Local Government Area, a Returning Officer for the Ward, and a Returning Officer for the Local Government Area.
- (2) Results of the elections shall be announced by:
 - (a) the Presiding Officer at the polling station;
 - (b) the Ward Returning Officer at the Ward Collation Centre; and
 - (c) the Returning Officer at the Local Government Area Collation centre.
- (3) In the case of Chairmanship election result, having announced the results at the Ward level the Ward Returning Officer shall proceed to distribute the duly completed and signed Form RSIEC 8B as follows:
 - (a) one copy to be given to each Agent of the candidates, who are present; and
 - (b) one copy to be given to the Nigeria Police, at the Ward Collation Centre.
- (4) After the distribution of Form RSIEC 8B, the Ward Returning Officer shall

proceed to the Local Government Area Collation Centre and hand over the original copy of the result and the other materials relating to the elections to the Chairmanship Election Returning Officer.

- (5) The Local Government Area Returning Officer shall do the following:
 - (a) take delivery of all Forms RSIEC 8B submitted by Wards in the Local Government Area;
 - (b) collate the results by transferring votes scored by each Chairmanship candidate from Form RSIEC 8B into Form RSIEC 8C, Ward by Ward.
 - (c) cross-check the figures in Form RSIEC 8C carefully thereafter, sign the duly completed Form RSIEC 8C and get the Polling Agents at the collation centre to sign, where they are available;
 - (d) at the Local Government level, proceed to announce loudly the result i.e. the total votes scored by each candidate as recorded in Form RSIEC 8C; and
 - (e) shall proceed forthwith on the same day of the election to the Commission Head Office with the results and all other documents relating to the elections (Chairmanship and Councillorship) and submit same to the Commission for the declaration of results and or returning of candidates for the elections.
- (6) The Electoral Officer shall ensure the safe custody of the documents relating to the conduct of the election in his/her local government.

23. Equality of Votes

When there is an equality of votes between candidates so that the addition of a vote would entitle any one of the candidates to be declared elected, the Returning Officer shall forthwith decide between those candidates by lot and proceed as if the candidate on whom the lot falls had received an additional vote, and shall declare that candidate to be elected.

24 Certificate of Return at Elections

- (1) A sealed Certificate of Return at elections shall be issued to every candidate who has won a Local Government Council election.
- (2) Where a candidate is declared elected unopposed, a Certificate of Return shall be issued to the Candidate with the returns of other successful candidates at the elections.

25. Resolution of Election disputes

- (1) Disputes arising from the elections shall be resolved through an election petition brought before an Elections Tribunal which shall be duly established for that purpose.
- (2) Election petitions shall be brought within 30 days from the date the result of the election is declared.
- (3) An election petition shall be heard and determined within 90 days from the date it is filed at the Elections Tribunal.

DATED at Port Harcourt, this Friday, the 11th day of January 2008.

**Professor Nimi D. Briggs
CHAIRMAN / CHIEF ELECTORAL COMMISSIONER
RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION**

**IN THE MAGISTRATE / HIGH COURT OF RIVERS STATE
IN THE/ MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT /
.....JUDICIAL DIVISION
HOLDEN IN**

2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS

**CANDIDATE'S PLEDGE AND
DECLARATION AGAINST VIOLENCE**

I,
pledge that I will abide by the stipulations, rules and regulations contained in the guidelines, in addition to the laws of Rivers State and the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, in order to ensure the survival and integrity of our democratic system. I further pledge that for the duration of my political career, in whatever capacity I find myself, I will respect the rules of fair competition, and prevent the subversion of the ideals and values of the democratic system.

To this end, I declare that I abhor violence in all its ramifications. That as a stakeholder in democracy, I will not do anything, nor encourage any action that will bring the democratic process into disrepute.

That I will seek to build consensus and seek dialogue in settling political differences. I pledge to avoid and discourage the use of violence to attain political objectives.

SO HELP ME GOD.

.....
DECLARANT

Signed:

Name of candidate:.....

Witness:.....

Address of candidate.....

Sign.....

(Including Ward)

Party.....
Name:.....
Position Sought:.....
Address:.....
Status:.....
Sworn to at the Magistrate / High Court
Registry,

This Day of2008.

BEFORE ME

COMMISSIONER FOR OATHS.

**Rivers State Independent
Electoral Commission (RSIEC)**

APPENDIX 2.5

RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION



**2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT
COUNCIL ELECTIONS**

AD-HOC ELECTORAL STAFF

APPLICATION FORM

AFFIX
One passport sized photograph of
yourself here (Write your name at
the back)

Please attach three (3) other pass-
port sized photographs of yourself.
Write your name at the back of each
of them.

POSITION APPLIED FOR:

SUPERVISORY PRESIDING OFFICER PRESIDING OFFICER

LOCAL GOVT RETURNING OFFICER WARD RETURNING OFFICER

POLLING CLERK ASSISTANT POLLING CLERK POLL MONITOR

NAME: _____

Surname

First

Middle

Title

PROFESSION: _____ **OCCUPATION:** _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ **PLACE OF BIRTH:** _____

GENDER: M F **MARITAL STATUS:** SINGLE MARRIED DIVORCED/SEPARATED

RELIGION: _____ **DENOMINATION:** _____

VILLAGE / TOWN ADDRESS: _____

TOWN: _____ **WARD:** _____ **LGA:** _____ **STATE:** _____

(For persons from Rivers State)

RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: _____

PREFERRED LOCATION/TOWN / VILLAGE/POLLING STATION (WHERE YOU WANT TO WORK)

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS ATTENDED:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

WORK EXPERIENCE:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

PREVIOUS ELECTORAL WORK EXPERIENCE (if any):

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

COMMUNITY SERVICE INVOLVEMENT (CHURCH, SOCIAL , PROFESSIONAL GROUPS, CLUBS AND SOCIETIES)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

- ARE YOU A MEMBER OF A POLITICAL PARTY? YES NO
- DO YOU HAVE A FRIEND OR RELATIVE CONTESTING THIS ELECTION? YES NO
- DO YOU HAVE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING?: CAR MOTORCYCLE SPEEDBOAT

DO YOU HAVE SUGGESTIONS OR ADVICE ON HOW WE CAN CONDUCT CREDIBLE ELECTIONS?

REFEREES / GUARANTORS

FOR OFFICE USE:

POSITION APPROVED: _____

APPENDIX 3.2 (a)

 RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION (RSIEC) 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS CHAIRMANSHIP BALLOT PAPER							
 RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION (RSIEC) 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS CHAIRMANSHIP BALLOT PAPER							
	ACCORD		BETTER NIGERIA PROGRESSIVE PARTY		MASSSES MOVEMENT OF NIGERIA		NATIONAL UNITY PARTY
	ACTION ALLIANCE		CONGRESS FOR DEMOCRATIC CHANGE		MOVEMENT FOR THE RESTORATION AND DEFENCE OF DEMOCRACY		PROGRESSIVE ACTION CONGRESS
	ACTION CONGRESS		COMMUNITY PARTY OF NIGERIA		NATIONAL ACTION COUNCIL		PEOPLES DEMOCRATIC PARTY
	ADVANCED CONGRESS OF DEMOCRATS		CITIZENS POPULAR PARTY		NIGERIA ADVANCE PARTY		PEOPLES MANDATE PARTY
	ALLIED CONGRESS PARTY OF NIGERIA		DEMOCRATIC ALTERNATIVE		NATIONAL CONSCIENCE PARTY		PROGRESSIVE PEOPLES ALLIANCE
	ALLIANCE FOR DEMOCRACY		DEMOCRATIC PEOPLES ALLIANCE		NEW DEMOCRATS		PEOPLES PROGRESSIVE PARTY
	AFRICAN DEMOCRATIC CONGRESS		DEMOCRATIC PEOPLES PARTY		NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY		PEOPLES REDEMPTION PARTY
	AFRICAN LIBERATION PARTY		FRESH DEMOCRATIC PARTY		NIGERIA ELEMENTS PROGRESSIVE PARTY		PEOPLES SALVATION PARTY
	ALL NIGERIA PEOPLES PARTY		HOPE DEMOCRATIC PARTY		NATIONAL MAJORITY DEMOCRATIC PARTY		REPUBLICAN PARTY OF NIGERIA
	ALL PROGRESSIVES GRAND ALLIANCE		JUSTICE PARTY		NEW NIGERIA PEOPLES PARTY		UNITED DEMOCRATIC PARTY
	ACTION PARTY OF NIGERIA		LIBERATION DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF NIGERIA		NIGERIA PEOPLES CONGRESS		UNITED NIGERIA PEOPLE'S PARTY
	AFRICAN POLITICAL SYSTEM		LABOUR PARTY		NATIONAL REFORMATION PARTY		
	AFRICAN RENAISSANCE PARTY		MOVEMENT FOR DEMOCRACY AND JUSTICE		NATIONAL SOLIDARITY DEMOCRATIC PARTY		

APPENDIX 3.2 (b)



RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION (RSIEC)
2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
COUNCILLORSHIP BALLOT PAPER



RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION (RSIEC)
2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
COUNCILLORSHIP BALLOT PAPER

	ACCORD		BETTER NIGERIA PROGRESSIVE PARTY		MASSSES MOVEMENT OF NIGERIA		NATIONAL UNITY PARTY
	ACTION ALLIANCE		CONGRESS FOR DEMOCRATIC CHANGE		MOVEMENT FOR THE RESTORATION AND DEFENCE OF DEMOCRACY		PROGRESSIVE ACTION CONGRESS
	ACTION CONGRESS		COMMUNITY PARTY OF NIGERIA		NATIONAL ACTION COUNCIL		PEOPLES DEMOCRATIC PARTY
	ADVANCED CONGRESS OF DEMOCRATS		CITIZENS POPULATION PARTY		NIGERIA ADVANCED PARTY		PEOPLES MANDATE PARTY
	ALLIED CONGRESS PARTY OF NIGERIA		DEMOCRATIC PEOPLES ALTERNATIVE		NATIONAL CONSCIENCE PARTY		PROGRESSIVE PEOPLE ALLIANCE
	ALLIANCE FOR DEMOCRACY		DEMOCRATIC PEOPLES ALLIANCE		NEW DEMOCRATS		PEOPLES PROGRESSIVE PARTY
	AFRICAN DEMOCRATIC CONGRESS		DEMOCRATIC PEOPLES PARTY		NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY		PEOPLES REDEMPTION PARTY
	AFRICAN LIBERATION PARTY		FRESH DEMOCRATIC PARTY		NIGERIA ELEMENTS PROGRESSIVE PARTY		PEOPLES SALVATION PARTY
	ALL NIGERIA PEOPLES PARTY		HOPE DEMOCRATIC PARTY		NATIONAL MAJORITY DEMOCRATIC PARTY		REPUBLICAN PARTY OF NIGERIA
	ALL PROGRESSIVES GRAND ALLIANCE		JUSTICE PARTY		NEW NIGERIA PEOPLES PARTY		UNITED DEMOCRATIC PARTY
	ACTION PARTY OF NIGERIA		LIBERATION DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF NIGERIA		NIGERIA PEOPLES CONGRESS		UNITED NIGERIA PEOPLE'S PARTY
	AFRICAN POLITICAL SYSTEM		LABOUR PARTY		NATIONAL REFORMATION PARTY		
	AFRICAN RENAISSANCE PARTY		MOVEMENT FOR DEMOCRACY AND JUSTICE		NATIONAL SOLIDARITY DEMOCRATIC PARTY		

APPENDIX 3.3(a)



RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION
2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
STATEMENT OF RESULT OF POLL FROM POLLING STATIONS
CHAIRMANSHIP ELECTION

FORM RSIEC
8A

No: _____

Polling Station _____ Code

Local Government Area _____ Code

State _____ Code

1. Number of Voters on the Register
2. Number of Ballot Papers Issued to the Polling Station
3. Number of Unused Ballot Papers
4. Number of Spoilt Ballot Papers
5. Number of Rejected Ballots
6. Number of Total Valid Votes (sum of valid votes cast for all parties)
7. Total Number of Used Ballot Papers (sum of No. 4, No. 5, and No. 6 above)

S/N	NAME OF POLITICAL PARTY	VOTES SCORED		NAME / SIGNATURE OF POLITICAL PARTY AGENT
		IN FIGURES	IN WORDS	
1	ACTION ALLIANCE			
2	ACTION CONGRESS			
3	ALLIED CONGRESS PARTY OF NIGERIA			
4	ALLIANCE FOR DEMOCRACY			
5	AFRICAN DEMOCRATIC CONGRESS			
6	AFRICAN LIBERATION PARTY			
7	ALL NIGERIAN PEOPLES PARTY			
8	ALL PROGRESSIVE GRAND ALLIANCE			
9	ACTION PARTY OF NIGERIA			
10	AFRICAN RENAISSANCE PARTY			
11	BETTER NIGERIA PROGRESSIVE PARTY			
12	CONGRESS FOR DEMOCRATIC CHANGE			
13	COMMUNITY PARTY OF NIGERIA			
14	CITIZEN POPULAR PARTY			
15	DEMOCRATIC ALTERNATIVE			
16	DEMOCRATIC PEOPLES PARTY			
17	FRESH DEMOCRATIC PARTY			
18	HOPE DEMOCRATIC PARTY			
19	JUSTICE PARTY			
20	LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF NIGERIA			
21	LABOUR PARTY			
22	MASSES MOVEMENT OF NIGERIA			
23	MOVEMENT FOR THE RESTORATION AND DEFENCE OF DEMOCRACY			
24	NATIONAL ACTION COUNCIL			
25	NIGERIA ADVANCE PARTY			
26	NATIONAL CONSCIENCE PARTY			
27	NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY			
28	NIGERIA ELEMENTS PROGRESSIVE PARTY			
29	NATIONAL MAJORITY DEMOCRATIC PARTY			
30	NEW NIGERIA PEOPLES PARTY			
31	NATIONAL REFORMATION PARTY			
32	NATIONAL SOLIDARITY DEMOCRATIC PARTY			
33	PROGRESSIVE ACTION CONGRESS			
34	PEOPLES DEMOCRATIC PARTY			
35	PEOPLES PROGRESSIVE PARTY			
36	PEOPLES SALVATION PARTY			
37	REPUBLICAN PARTY OF NIGERIA			
38	UNITED DEMOCRATIC PARTY			
TOTAL VALID VOTES			Record Total Valid Votes under No. 6 above	

I, _____ (Name of Presiding Officer) certify that
the information contained in this Form is a true and accurate account of Votes cast in this Polling Station. Signature _____ Stamp / Date _____

APPENDIX 3.3 (b)



RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION
2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
STATEMENT OF RESULT OF POLL FROM POLLING STATIONS
COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTION

FORM RSIEC
8A(1)

No: Re-Run 001

Polling Station _____ Code

Local Government Area _____ Code


State _____ Code

1. Number of Voters on the Register
2. Number of Ballot Papers Issued to the Polling Station
3. Number of Unused Ballot Papers
4. Number of Spoilt Ballot Papers
5. Number of Rejected Ballots
6. Number of Total Valid Votes (sum of valid votes cast for all parties)
7. Total Number of Used Ballot Papers (sum of No. 4, No. 5, and No. 6 above)

S/N	NAME OF POLITICAL PARTY	VOTES SCORED		NAME / SIGNATURE OF POLITICAL PARTY AGENT
		IN FIGURES	IN WORDS	
1	ACTION ALLIANCE			
2	ACTION CONGRESS			
3	ALLIED CONGRESS PARTY OF NIGERIA			
4	ALLIANCE FOR DEMOCRACY			
5	AFRICAN DEMOCRATIC CONGRESS			
6	AFRICAN LIBERATION PARTY			
7	ALL NIGERIAN PEOPLES PARTY			
8	ALL PROGRESSIVE GRAND ALLIANCE			
9	ACTION PARTY OF NIGERIA			
10	AFRICAN RENAISSANCE PARTY			
11	BETTER NIGERIA PROGRESSIVE PARTY			
12	CONGRESS FOR DEMOCRATIC CHANGE			
13	COMMUNITY PARTY OF NIGERIA			
14	CITIZEN POPULAR PARTY			
15	DEMOCRATIC ALTERNATIVE			
16	DEMOCRATIC PEOPLES PARTY			
17	FRESH DEMOCRATIC PARTY			
18	HOPE DEMOCRATIC PARTY			
19	JUSTICE PARTY			
20	LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF NIGERIA			
21	LABOUR PARTY			
22	MASSES MOVEMENT OF NIGERIA			
23	MOVEMENT FOR THE RESTORATION AND DEFENCE OF DEMOCRACY			
24	NATIONAL ACTION COUNCIL			
25	NIGERIA ADVANCE PARTY			
26	NATIONAL CONSCIENCE PARTY			
27	NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY			
28	NIGERIA ELEMENTS PROGRESSIVE PARTY			
29	NATIONAL MAJORITY DEMOCRATIC PARTY			
30	NEW NIGERIA PEOPLES PARTY			
31	NATIONAL REFORMATION PARTY			
32	NATIONAL SOLIDARITY DEMOCRATIC PARTY			
33	PROGRESSIVE ACTION CONGRESS			
34	PEOPLES DEMOCRATIC PARTY			
35	PEOPLES PROGRESSIVE PARTY			
36	PEOPLES SALVATION PARTY			
37	REPUBLICAN PARTY OF NIGERIA			
38	UNITED DEMOCRATIC PARTY			
TOTAL VALID VOTES		Record Total Valid Votes under No. 6 above		


I, _____ (Name of Presiding Officer) certify that
the information contained in this Form is a true and accurate account of Votes cast in this Polling Station. Signature _____ Stamp / Date _____

APPENDIX 3.4(a)


		RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION STATEMENT OF RESULTS OF POLL FROM POLLING STATIONS FOR CHAIRMANSHIP ELECTION COLLATION AT WARD LEVEL																							FORM RSIEC 8A (1)						
		VOTES RECEIVED BY PARTIES																													
TYPE WARD NAME HERE		WARD NAME HERE																													
S.No	POLLING STATION NAME	CODE	No. of Reg. Voters	ACCOM	ACTION ALLIANCE	ACTION CONGRESS	APRACHA CONGRESS OF DEMOCRACY	ALLIED CONGRESS PARTY OF NIGERIA	ALLIANCE FOR DEMOCRACY	AFRICAN DEMOCRATIC CONGRESS	AFRICAN LIVESTOCK PARTY	ALL NIGERIA PEOPLES PARTY	ALL PARADESERS (WARD ALLIANCE)	ACTION PARTY OF NIGERIA	AFRICAN POLITICAL SYSTEM	AFRICAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY	BETTER NIGERIA PROGRESSIVE PARTY	CONGRESS FOR DEMOCRATIC CHANGE	CONSCIENTIOUS PARTY OF NIGERIA	CITIZENS POPULAR PARTY	DEMOCRATIC ALTERNATIVE	DEMOCRATIC PEOPLES ALLIANCE	DEMOCRATIC PEOPLES PARTY	FIDELITY DEMOCRATIC PARTY	HOPE DEMOCRATIC PARTY	JUSTICE PARTY	LIBERATION DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF NIGERIA	LABOUR PARTY	REJECTED VOTES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	
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2		002																													
3		003																													
4		004																													
5		005																													
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NAME OF COLLATION / RETURNING OFFICER			SIGNATURE / DATE:												STAMP:																
NAME/ SIGNATURE OF PARTY AGENT																															

Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission (RSIEC)

APPENDIX 3.4(b)

		RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION STATEMENT OF RESULTS OF POLL FROM POLLING STATIONS FOR COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTION COLLATION AT WARD LEVEL																												FORM RSIEC 8A (1)	
ATABA II		VOTES RECEIVED BY PARTIES																													
		26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	REJECTE D VOTES	TOTAL VOTES CAST			
		NO. OF REG. VOTERS	FOR FORWARD AND JUSTICE	FOR RESTORATION OF REFERENCE OF DEMOCRACY	NATIONAL ACTION COUNCIL	RIGWA SOLIDARITY PARTY	NATIONAL CONSCIENCE PARTY	NEW DEMOCRATS	NATIONAL SOLIDARITY PARTY	RIGWA ELEMENT PROGRESSIVE PARTY	NATIONAL MAJORITY DEMOCRATIC PARTY	NEW RIGWA PEOPLES PARTY	RIGWA PEOPLES CONGRESS	NATIONAL REFORMATION PARTY	NATIONAL SOLIDARITY DEMOCRATIC PARTY	NATIONAL UNITY PARTY	PROGRESSIVE ACTION CONGRESS	PEOPLES DEMOCRATIC PARTY	PEOPLES HARVEST PARTY	PROGRESSIVE PEOPLES ALLIANCE	PEOPLES PROGRESSIVE PARTY	PEOPLES HERITAGE PARTY	PEOPLES SILENT PARTY	REPUBLICAN PARTY OF RIGWA	UNITED DEMOCRATIC PARTY	UNITED RIGWA PEOPLES PARTY					
S/N	POLLING STATION NAME	CODE																													
1	EGWEBIYOK SQUARE, ATABA	001																													
2	EGWEBI SQUARE, ATABA	002																													
3	EGWEBA/DON ISOSOK, ATABA	003																													
4	OSOTO OGLES SQUARE, ATABA	004																													
5	EGWEIRAGINMA ATABA I	005																													
6	IWOWARI SQUARE II	006																													
7	IWOBA SQUARE	007																													
8	OSOOGLES SQUARE	008																													
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NAME OF COLLATION / RETURNING OFFICER					SIGNATURE / DATE:										STAMP:																
NAME/ SIGNATURE OF PARTY AGENT																															

APPENDIX 3.4(c)

		RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION STATEMENT OF RESULTS OF POLL FROM POLLING STATIONS FOR CHAIRMANSHIP ELECTION COLLATION AT LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEVEL																									FORM R/SEC/IC					
ABUA /ODUAL L.G.A		VOTES RECEIVED BY PARTIES																														
S/No	WARDS	CODE	No. OF REG. VOTERS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	UNREGISTERED VOTES	TOTAL VOTES (2024)		
1	ABUAL 1																															
2	AABUAL II																															
3	ABUAL III																															
4	ABUAL IV																															
5	EMUGHAN I																															
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8	OKPEDEN																															
9	AGADA																															
10	EMELEGO																															
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NAME OF COLLATION / RETURNING OFFICER		SIGNATURE / DATE:																									STAMP					
NAME/ SIGNATURE OF PARTY AGENTS																																

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APPENDIX 3.6

RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION
2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS

TRAINING SCHEDULE FOR ELECTORAL PERSONNEL FOR 2008

S/ NO	LGAS	NO OF TRAINEES	NO OF TRAINERS	TRAINING CENTRES	DATE
1	ABUAL/ODUAL	583	8	State School II, Abua Central.	15/03/2008
2	AHOADA EAST	544	10	i. Community School Edeoha, Ahoada East ii. Faculty of Law, Rivers State University of Science & Technology, PHC.	23/03/2008
3	AHOADA WEST	293 135	7 7	i. Eliabe Central School, Akinima ii. Faculty of Law, Rivers State University of Science & Technology, PHC.	19/03/2008 16/03/2008
4	AKUKUTORU	674 (SELECTED)	10 10	i. St. Augustine's Anglican Church, Abonnema ii. Faculty of Law, Rivers State University of Science & Technology, PHC.	19/03/2008 16/03/2008
5	ANDONI	768	31	Ngo Town, Andoni	19/03/2008
6	ASARITORU	900 (678 SELECTED)	14 4	Kalabari National College (KNC), Buguma.	15/03/2008 16/03/2008
7	BONNY	327	5	Government Girls Secondary School, Finima, Bonny.	15/03/2008
8	DEGEMA	476	7	Model Primary	15/03/2008

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9	ELEME	520 41	2	i. Ascension High School, Eleme ii. Faculty of Engineering, Rivers State University of Science & Technology, PHC.	15/03/2008 23/03/2008
10	EMOHUA	244 306		i. Emohua Government Secondary School ii. Rivers State University of Science & Technology, PHC.	15/03/2008 23/03/2008
11	ETCHE	592	9	Government Secondary School, Okehi	15/03/2008 16/03/2008
12	GOKANA	704	9	i. Community Secondary School, Kpor. ii. Community Primary School, Mogho.	15/03/2008 15/03/2008
13	IKWERRE	570	12	Community Girls Secondary School, Isiokpo.	15/03/2008
14	KHANA	415	12	Birabi Memorial Grammar School, Bori	22/03/2008
15	OBIO/AKPOR/ ONELGA	501	20	Faculty of Law, Rivers State University of Science & Technology, PHC.	23/03/2008
16	OBOIO/AKPOR	489	32	Faculty of Law, Rivers State University of Science & Technology, PHC.	15/03/2008
17	OGU/BOLO	465	5	Government Secondary School, Ogu.	22/03/2008

18	OKRIKA	484	7	Okrika Grammar School (OGS)	15/03/2008 16/03/2008
19	OMUMA LGA	435	6	UBE State School, Eberi	22/03/2008
20	ONELGA	365	37	Federal Technical College, Omoku	16/03/2008
21	OPOBO/ NKORO	300		i. G.S.S. Opobo Town ii. Faculty of Law, Rivers State University of Science & Technology, PHC.	15/03/2008 23/03/2008
22	OYIGBO	181	6	State School, Komkom, Oyigbo	15/03/2008
23	OYIGBO	170	6	University of Science & Technology	22/03/2008
24	PORT HARCOURT	1840	25 25	i. Holy Rosary Secondary School. ii. Rivers State University of Science & Technology	15/03/2008 19/03/2008 22/03/2008
25	TAI	271	12	Government Secondary School, Nonwa.	

APPENDIX 3.7



RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION
2008 Local Government Council Elections

CERTIFICATE OF RETURN
Under the Local Government Law

In accordance with Section 59 of the Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission Law 2001,

I, Prof. Nimi Briggs, do hereby certify that the CHAIRMAN elected for

WARD «Ward» of «LGA» Local Government Area

in the election held on Saturday, 29th day of March 2008, is

«Firstname» «Middle Name» «Surname»
of «Political Party»

Dated this day of April 2008

Prof. Nimi Briggs

Chief Electoral Commissioner, Rivers State.

APPENDIX 3.8



RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION
2008 Local Government Council Elections

CERTIFICATE OF RETURN
Under the Local Government Law

In accordance with Section 59 of the Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission Law 2001,

I, Prof. Nimi Briggs, do hereby certify that the Councillor elected for

WARD «Ward» of «LGA» Local Government Area

in the bye-election held on Saturday, 29th day of March 2008, is

«Firstname» «Middle Name» «Surname»
of «Political Party»

Dated this day of April 2008

Prof. Nimi Briggs

Chief Electoral Commissioner, Rivers State.

APPENDIX 4.1

RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION

POLITICAL PARTIES THAT INDICATED INTEREST TO PARTICIPATE IN 29TH MARCH 2008 GENERAL ELECTIONS

S/N	POLITICAL PARTIES
1	ACTION ALLIANCE
2	ACTION CONGRESS
3	ACTION PARTY OF NIGERIA
4	AFRICAN DEMOCRATIC CONGRESS
5	AFRICAN LIBERATION PARTY
6	AFRICAN RENAISSANCE PARTY
7	ALLIANCE FOR DEMOCRACY
8	ALLIED CONGRESS PARTY OF NIGERIA
9	ALL NIGERIA PEOPLES PARTY
10	ALL PROGRESSIVE GRAND ALLIANCE
11	BETTER NIGERIA PROGRESSIVE PARTY
12	CITIZENS POPULAR PARTY
13	COMMUNITY PARTY OF NIGERIA
14	CONGRESS FOR DEMOCRATIC CHANGE
15	DEMOCRATIC ALTERNATIVE
16	DEMOCRATIC PEOPLES PARTY
17	FRESH DEMOCRATIC PARTY
18	HOPE DEMOCRATIC PARTY
19	JUSTICE PARTY
20	LABOUR PARTY
21	LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF NIGERIA
22	MASSES MOVEMENT OF NIGERIA
23	MOVEMENT FOR THE RESTORATION AND DEFENCE OF DEMOCRACY
24	NATIONAL ACTION COUNCIL
25	NATIONAL CONSCIENCE PARTY

26	NIGERIA ADVANCE PARTY
27	NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY
28	NATIONAL MAJORITY DEMOCRATIC PARTY
29	NATIONAL REFORMATION PARTY
30	NATIONAL SOLIDARITY DEMOCRATIC PARTY
31	NEW NIGERIA PEOPLES PARTY
32	NIGERIA ELEMENTS PROGRESSIVE PARTY
33	PEOPLES DEMOCRATIC PARTY
34	PEOPLES PROGRESSIVE PARTY
35	PROGRESSIVE ACTION CONGRESS
36	PROGRESSIVE PEOPLES ALLIANCE
37	PEOPLES SALVATION PARTY
38	REPUBLICAN PARTY OF NIGERIA
39	UNITED DEMOCRATIC PARTY
40	UNITED NIGERIA PEOPLES PARTY

Rivers State Independent (RSIEC)
Electoral Commission

APPENDIX 4.2

**RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION, PORT HARCOURT
CHECKLIST FOR POLITICAL PARTIES PRIMARIES
SUPERVISION/MONITORING**

Name of political party.....

Type of primaries (encircle whether Chairmanship or Councillorship)

Date of primaries:.....

Venue of primaries.....

Categories of Attendees (i.e. those participate in the primaries).....

Total number of Accredited Attendees.....

Mode of Accreditation of attendees

Time of commencement of primaries.....

Name of Electoral Officer.....

Number of Aspirant(s).....

Mode of Selection/Election/Nomination (encircle whether open ballot/secret ballot/option A4/
indicate any other.....)

Total Number of Votes cast per Aspirant (indicate names of aspirants and votes obtained)
(Attach sheets where necessary)

S/No.	Names of Aspirant(s)	Votes obtained

Name of Person Declared Winner.....

Time of conclusion of primaries.....

Remarks.....
.....

Name of Monitor

Signature of Monitor/Date

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Cross –checked by:.....

Name and Signature of RSIEC Official / Date

S/No.	Name(s) of Aspirant (s)	Votes obtained

Rivers State Independent
Electoral Commission (RSIEC)

APPENDIX 5.1

RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS

CHAIRMAN'S BROADCAST

Good People of Rivers State

Many of you will recollect that when the Governor of our state, Rt. Hon. Rotimi Chibuike Amaechi, inaugurated the present Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission (RSIEC) with me as its chairman, on the 27th of November 2007, he left the Commission with a mandate to "salvage the electoral process in Rivers State and by extension, the country, by conducting free, fair and credible Local Government Council elections".

With this challenge, the Commission, while fixing Saturday, 29th March, 2008 as the date for the 2008 Local Government Council elections, saw the necessity for engaging in widespread consultations with stakeholders in order to identify the reasons why the electoral process in the State had deteriorated to the point of requiring a salvage. In the process, the Commission interacted with political parties, law enforcement agents, politicians, staff of the Commission, professional bodies, religious organisations, traditional rulers, and other interested groups. The culmination of these interactions was a Stakeholders' Conference on the 13th of December, 2007, at the Alfred Diete Spiff Civic Centre, here in Port Harcourt, where the various opinions, including the remedial measures that had emerged, were articulated. The Commission thereafter visited all the 23 local government headquarters of the State where it directly obtained inputs from members of the various communities.

With the information from the conference, the Commission prepared the documents: **Guidelines for Electioneering Campaign for the 2008 Local Government Council Elections** in which acceptable electioneering processes were described and **Code of Conduct**, which contains the dos and donts by which political parties and their followers had agreed to abide in order to ensure that the 2008 Local Government Council elections were free, fair and credible. The two documents were launched on behalf of the Commission by Dr. Elechi Amadi on the 11th of January, 2008.

Next were the party primaries where political parties were to identify those persons who would represent them at the actual local government council elections at Local Government Chairmanship and Ward Counsellorship levels using electoral processes that were defined by the parties themselves. These activities posed their own peculiar challenges which RSIEC met with absolute honesty and to the best of its ability. The Commission wishes to thank supporters of the various political parties for the rekindled vibrancy in political activities, the parties themselves for their efforts at the primaries, which many accept were unprecedented and the Nigeria Police, Rivers State Command, not only for ensuring law and order at the parties' primaries but also for organizing a most rewarding interactive session with political parties and the candidates for the elections on Tuesday and Wednesday, 25th and 26th March, 2008.

March 29th, the date of the elections is now with us and I wish, once again to take this opportunity to make a fervent appeal to the 38 political parties contesting the elections with 970 councillorship candidates and 176 chairmanship candidates and their supporters, to play by the rules of the game and to abhor violence and thurgery at all levels from the local government headquarters to the individual polling units. Happily, Rt. Hon. Chibuike Amaechi, the Governor of the State, has approved that there should be restricted movement on the day of the elections to enable us cast our votes with some ease.

In the same vein, I plead with the good people of Rivers State to come out in their numbers to vote for the parties of their choice and to be orderly and law abiding at the polling units as the Commission obligates itself to reflect their votes accurately. The Register of Voters to be used for this exercise is the one that was given to the Commission by the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) which has the sole responsibility for producing the register. This Register, as you will all recollect, was displayed by my Commission in all the 4,441 polling units in the State on the 30th of January, 2008 to enable voters to identify their voting locations as well as errors and omissions on the Register.

Furthermore, I wish to appeal that the use of firearms and explosives, gangsterism, the hijacking of electoral materials as well as other forms of electoral malpractices should be avoided as the Commission will cancel the elections where such actions are confirmed through the monitoring processes it has set up. Only electoral officials, party and security agents as well as accredited journalists are allowed entry at collation centres.

Our State has had more than its share of hostility and the adverse publicity that this generates within and outside the country. It is now time for us, as a people, to forgive one another and to relegate vengeance to the nadir that it belongs on the scale of human values. The 2008 local government council elections should therefore be anchored on reconciliation in which we all strive to do things the correct way.

Let me conclude by pleading God's blessings on you all during this holy week. It is my prayer that the presence of the Almighty should envelope the entire State as we all undertake this important civic responsibility of choosing our leaders through a democratic process.



Nimi D. Briggs, FAS, OON
Professor
Chief Electoral Commissioner of Rivers State
& Chairman, Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission
Thursday, 27 March 2008.

APPENDIX 8.2

**RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION
MARCH 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
ABUA/ODUAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
CHAIRMANSHIP ELECTIONS SCORES SUMMARY**

S/N	WARD	NO OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTIES	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
1.	CHAIRMAN	113,942	ANPP	412	82,359	PDP
			AC	1605		
			AD	142		
			APGA	1		
			CPP	56		
			FDP	826		
			DPP	40		
			CPN	30		
			PPP	201		
			PPA	1		
			PDP	78296		
			NCP	106		
			NDP	6		
			NEPP	58		
			NNPP	216		
			ALP	121		
			CDC	9		
			MRDD	156		
			LP	15		
			ACPN	10		
NSDP	12					
AA	11					
HDP	7					
NAP	18					
Rejected Votes	4					

**RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION
MARCH 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
ABUA/ODUAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTIONS SCORES SUMMARY**

S/N	WARD	NO OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTIES	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
2.	1	23,699	FDP	131	20,051	PDP
			PDP	19,038		
			ADC	1		
			NNPP	216		
			NCP	26		
			HDP	11		
			NMDP	10		
			AC	301		
			AD	6		
			ALP	51		
			PPP	1		
			NDP	30		
			PMP	2		
			CPP	24		
			LP	15		
			BNPP	12		
ANPP	97					
Rejected Votes	79					
3	2	5,630	ANPP	30	4,556	PDP
			PDP	4,325		
			NNPP	15		
			FDP	48		
			CPP	11		
			AC	122		
			AA	5		
4	3	6,965	PDP	6038	6,500	PDP
			AC	358		
			ALP	2		
			ACPN	1		
			CDC	1		
			CPP	2		
			DPP	1		
			NAC	1		
			PPA	1		
			FDP	50		
			LP	18		
			NNPP	22		
			Rejected Votes	5		
5	4	3,099	PDP	1739	1,790	PDP
			AC	34		
			AA	2		
			PAC	1		

			ANPP	3		
			MRDD	1		
			ALP	2		
			FDP	6		
			NMDP	1		
			NNPP	1		
6	5	12,241	BNPP	181	3,454	PDP
			PDP	3,237		
			AD	1		
			MRDD	1		
			NSDP	7		
			AA	1		
			AC	6		
			MMN	7		
			PAC	1		
			NAP	2		
			Rejected Votes	10		
			<p>29TH MARCH ELECTIONS WAS SUSPENDED IN WARD 6 AS A RESULT OF VIOLENCE AND HIJACKING OF ELECTIONS MATERIALS. RE-RUN ELECTION HELD ON 10TH MAY, 2010.</p>			
7	6	7,394	AC	115	4,277	PDP
			FDP	34		
			PDP	4087		
			BNPP	9		
			CDC	1		
			PPP	1		
			NAC	1		
			AD	1		
			CPN	1		
			NCP	1		
			PMP	1		
			ALP	2		
			PAC	1		
			MMN	1		
Rejected Votes	21					
<p>BYE-ELECTION HELD ON MARCH 6TH, 2010 AS A RESULT OF THE DEATH OF A COUNCILLOR REPRESENTING WARD 6 IN ABUA/ODUAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL</p>						
8	6	7,394	AC	28	347	PDP
			AD	1		
			CPP	1		
			NUP	1		
			PDP	307		
			Rejected Votes	3		
9	7	10,676	AA	7	8,455	PDP
			AC	39		
			AD	80		
			ANPP	54		
			APGA	1		
			ALP	0		
			CDC	9		

			FDP	240		
			NCP	50		
			NNPP	50		
			PDP	7871		
			NSDP	4		
			DPP	15		
			LP	10		
			NAP	15		
			ADC	10		
10	8	17,695	AC	171	12,798	PDP
			FDP	344		
			PDP	12283		
11	9	3,613	AC	20	3,539	PDP
			FDP	28		
			PDP	3491		
12	10	6,400	AC	378	4,596	PDP
			PDP	4,060		
			ANPP	88		
			FDP	62		
			CPP	2		
			ALP	1		
			PAC	3		
			AA	2		
13	11	1,331	PDP	1030	1,231	PDP
			NRP	156		
			AC	45		
14	12	5,441	PDP	5077	5,300	PDP
			AC	141		
			AD	4		
			ADC	9		
			AA	19		
			ANPP	27		
			NDP	22		
			PAC	1		
15	13	9,758	AD	97	7,885	PDP
			PAC	1		
			PDP	7089		
			AC	235		
			LP	4		
			FDP	374		
			ACPN	18		
			ANPP	13		
			ALP	13		
			AA	4		
			HDP	11		
			NAP	1		
			NNPP	15		
			DPP	6		
			DA	1		
Rejected Votes	3					

**RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION
MARCH 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
AHOADA-EAST LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
CHAIRMANSHIP ELECTIONS SCORES SUMMARY**

S/No.	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
RE-RUN ELECTION HELD ON 10TH MAY 2008					
16	63,434	AA	21	17,346	PDP
		AC	2119		
		ACP	01		
		AD	01		
		ADC	03		
		ALP	01		
		APGA	01		
		APN	04		
		ARP	100		
		CPN	30		
		DPP	200		
		FDP	01		
		JP	127		
		LP	56		
		NAC	48		
		NCP	01		
		NDP	06		
		NNPP	01		
		NSDP	134		
		PAC	05		
		PDP	14,466		
		PMP	05		
		PPA	02		
		PPP	12		

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MARCH 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
AHOADA-EAST LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTIONS SCORES SUMMARY**

S/N	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
RE-RUN 10/05/2008						
17	1		AC	119		
			CPN	03		
			PDP	53		
			AA	01		
			ANPP	01		
18	2	3980	AC	10	3706	PDP
			DPP	172		
			PDP	3440		

			ARP	48		
			CPN	16		
			MRDD	20		
RE-RUN 10/05/2008						
19	3	5,546	AC	03	215	ARP
			ARP	117		
			PDP	86		
			CPN	01		
			MRDD	04		
			PAC	02		
			PSP	02		
20	4	4949	AC	2197	4939	PDP
			DPP	48		
			PDP	2694		
RE-RUN 10/ 05/2008						
21	5	7834	AC	96	1058	PDP
			CPN	09		
			NSDP	06		
			PDP	940		
			PPP	02		
			PPA	02		
			PMP	01		
			AA	02		
COURT ORDERED WINNER						
22	6	4945	AC	841	4588	PDP
			DPP	312		
			PDP	3402		
			APP	20		
			CPN	03		
			NDP	10		
COURT ORDERED WINNER						
23	7	2844	AC	435	1257	PDP
			NSPP	161		
			PDP	622		
			DPP	19		
			NDP	01		
			ACP	01		
			CPP	01		
			ND	01		
			PM	01		
			PPP	01		
			AA	01		
			ADC	01		
			CPN	01		
			24	8		
DP	02					
AC	03					
NAC	01					
MRDD	15					
DPP	535					
ARP	30					

RE-RUN 10/02/2008						
25	9	5267	A	134	753	PDP
			PDP	618		
			PPP	01		
26	10	4168	AA	06	614	PDP
			AC	71		
			CPN	01		
			DPP	05		
			PAC	01		
			PDP	499		
			UDP	01		
			RE-RUN ELECTION HELD ON 19TH APRIL 2008			
27	11	3980	AC	10	3706	PDP
			DPP	172		
			PDP	3440		
			CPN	16		
			MRDD	20		
28	12	2548	AC	152	2500	PDP
			PDP	2348		
BYE- ELECTION IN WARD 12 HELD ON 14/08/2010 AS A RESULT OF THE DEATH OF THE COUNCILLOR ELECTED IN 2008						
29	12	2548	ARP	172	789	PDP
			ACPN	07		
			DPA	06		
			PDP	604		
RE-RUN 10/05/2010						
30	13	8120	AC	20	2689	PDP
			PDP	2574		
			DPP	44		
			JP	02		
			NDP	02		
			PAP	01		
			PPP	04		
			ADC	42		

**RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION
MARCH 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
AHOADA-WEST LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
SUMMARY OF CHAIRMANSHIP ELECTIONS RESULT**

S/NO	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
31	CHAIRMANSHIP	45,588	AC	1156	22,797	PDP
			ADC	1		
			ANPP	24		
			ARP	519		
			CPN	32		
			JP	42		
			LP	570		
			NNPP	8		
			NSDP	3		
			PAC	5		
PDP	20437					

**RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION
MARCH 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
AHOADA-WEST LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
SUMMARY OF COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTIONS RESULT**

S/NO	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER		
32	1	2493	RE-RUN ELECTION OF SATURDAY 19TH APRIL, 2008				401	PDP
			AA	1				
			AC	152				
			ARP	2				
			PDP	247				
33	1	2493	BYE-ELECTION DUE TO COURT ORDER ON SATURDAY 13TH DECEMBER 2008				215	PDP
			AC	14				
34	2	3338	AC	12	1602	PDP		
			ARP	41				
			CPN	6				
			DPP	1				
			NCP	2				
			NDP	1				
			PAC	4				
			PDP	1535				
35	3	5858	RE-RUN ELECTION OF SATURDAY 19TH APRIL, 2008				410	PDP
			ACCORD	1				
			ADC	1				
			APN	1				

			ARP	345		
			DA	1		
			DPP	1		
			MRDD	1		
			PDP	3265		
RE-RUN ELECTION OF SATURDAY 19TH APRIL, 2008						
36	4	14104	AC	86	6805	PDP
			ANPP	20		
			ARP	244		
			LP	145		
			PDP	6310		
37	5	5238	AC	107	3305	PDP
			ARP	53		
			CPN	7		
			DPP	3		
			LP	46		
			NDP	1		
			NRP	1		
			PAC	1		
			PDP	3086		
38	6	3623	AC	273	2658	PDP
			APN	1		
			ARP	153		
			CPN	5		
			LP	58		
			PAC	1		
			PDP	2157		
39	7	2220	AA	1	974	PDP
			AC	251		
			CPN	4		
			DPP	1		
			JP	223		
			NNPP	8		
			NRP	1		
			PDP	485		
40	8	314	AC	109	201	AC
			APN	1		
			ARP	5		
			CPN	3		
			PAC	4		
			PDP	78		
			PPP	1		
RE-RUN ELECTION HELD ON SATURDAY, 14 AUGUST 2010 AS A RESULT OF NULLIFICATION OF THE EARLIER ELECTION IN 2008 BY THE ELECTION PETITION TRIBUNAL						
	8	3,703 (Manual register)			388	PDP
41	9	1340	AC	44	593	PDP
			ADC	1		
			ARP	106		

			LP	4		
			PDP	438		
42	10	1943	AC	84	279	PDP
			ADC	5		
			ARP	3		
			CPN	7		
			DA	1		
			LP	1		
			PDP	178		
			RE-RUN ELECTION OF SATURDAY 10TH MAY, 2008			
43	11	3528	AA	1	2377	PDP
			AC	811		
			CPN	20		
			PAC	1		
			PDP	1544		
RE-RUN ELECTION OF SATURDAY 19TH APRIL, 2008						
44	12	1589	AC	31	259	PDP
			ARP	61		
			PDP	161		

**RIVERS STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION
MARCH 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
AKUKU-TORU LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
CHAIRMANSHIP ELECTIONS SCORES SUMMARY**

S/NO	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
45	CHAIRMANSHIP	57616	AA	5	23641	PDP
			AC	3136		
			ACPN	1		
			AD	1		
			ADC	46		
			ANPP	1		
			BNPP	1		
			CDC	1		
			CPN	286		
			CPP	1		
			DA	12		
			DPA	12		
			DPP	6		
			FDP	746		
			HDP	1		
			LDP	1		
			MMN	1		
			MRDD	1		
			NAP	2		
			NCP	3		
			NDP	193		
			NEPP	155		
			NNPP	24		
PDP	18870					
PPP	7					
PRP	1					
PSP	15					
RPN	110					
UDP	2					

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MARCH 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
AKUKU-TORU LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTIONS SCORES SUMMARY**

S/NO	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
46	1	2975	AA	1	841	PDP
			AC	118		
			CPN	8		
			PDP	714		
47	2	4110	AC	77	163	AC
			ADC	1		
			CPN	4		
			PAC	1		
			PDP	75		
			RPN	5		
BYE-ELECTION DUE TO COURT ORDER ON SATURDAY 8TH NOVEMBER 2008						
48	2	4110	AA	1	257	AC
			AC	162		
			BNPP	1		
			CPN	9		
			DPP	2		
			PDP	79		
			RPN	3		
49	3	3267	AA	1	604	PDP
			AC	8		
			CPN	2		
			NNPP	15		
			PDP	501		
			RPN	70		
			UDP	7		
50	4	4442	AA	10	1160	PDP
			AC	171		
			APN	10		
			CPN	8		
			FDP	83		
			NEPP	1		
			PDP	805		
			RPN	72		
51	5	4444	AC	312	3110	PDP
			CPN	36		
			CPP	1		
			FDP	1		
			NAC	2		
			NEPP	4		
			NMDP	1		
			PAC	1		
			PDP	2752		

52	6	3088	AC	44	1008	PDP
			CPN	9		
			DPP	1		
			NDP	17		
			PAC	1		
			PDP	935		
			PRP	1		
53	7	3598	AC	66	312	NEPP
			CPN	6		
			DPP	14		
			FDP	1		
			NEPP	160		
			PDP	62		
			PSP	3		
54	8	2478	AC	18	1678	PDP
			CDC	1		
			CPN	3		
			FDP	7		
			NCP	1		
			NEPP	2		
			PDP	1646		
55	9	2799	AC	36	333	PDP
			ADC	1		
			CPN	3		
			PDP	292		
			PPP	1		
56	10	2508	AC	4	1255	PDP
			CPN	2		
			FDP	22		
			NEPP	1		
			PAC	1		
			PDP	1225		
57	11	4131	AC	48	2284	PDP
			CPN	7		
			CPP	1		
			FDP	85		
			NCP	1		
			NDP	8		
			NEPP	12		
			PDP	2112		
			PPP	1		
			PSP	8		
			UDP	1		
58	12	4460	AC	45	2391	PDP
			AD	1		
			CPN	18		
			FDP	106		
			HDP	1		
			NDP	9		
			NEPP	21		
			PAC	1		

			PDP	2182			
			PRP	2			
			PSP	2			
			RPN	3			
59	13	2170	AC	9	965	PDP	
			CPN	3			
			FDP	49			
			NDP	2			
			NEPP	1			
			PDP	901			
60	14	5320	AC	182	1817	PDP	
			CPN	7			
			FDP	350			
			PDP	1263			
			NDP	7			
			NEPP	2			
61	15	1516	RE-RUN ELECTION OF SATURDAY 19 TH APRIL, 2008			975	PDP
			AA	1			
			AC	184			
			NNPP	140			
			PDP	650			
62	16	1399	AC	87	1345	PDP	
			NNPP	16			
			PDP	1242			
63	17	3953	AA	1	3286	PDP	
			AC	42			
			FDP	3			
			PDP	3240			

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RESULT DECLARED AFTER RE-RUN ELECTIONS ON MAY 10, 2008						
S/No.	WARD	No. OF REG. VOTERS	NAME OF POLITICAL PARTY	VOTES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
64	CHAIRMANSHIP	75,523	AC	818	23,377	PDP
			ACPN	1		
			APN	4,408		
			ANPP	24		
			DPP	328		
			JP	12		
			LP	12		
			PDP	17,291		
			RPN	4		
			AA	37		
			LDPN	117		
			PAC	20		
			APGA	7		
			NAC	1		
			PPP	7		
			PSP	2		
			NDP	11		
			CPN	33		
			ARP	2		
			ADC	8		
			NAP	3		
			PMP	1		
			HDP	3		
			NCP	2		
			ADC	2		
			NNPP			
			AL	1		
			PAL	216		
			ALP	1		
			ADC	8		
			NAP	3		
			PMP	1		
			HDP	3		
NCP	2					
AD	2					
AL	1					
PAL	1					
ALP	216					
MMDM	1					
MMN	3					
BNPP	1					
MRDD	2					

		PPA	1	
		CDC	1	

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S/No	WARD	No. OF REG. VOTERS	NAME OF POLITICAL PARTY	VOTES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
65	1	8637	AA	1	1115	PDP
			AC	25		
			ANPP	4		
			APN	468		
			APGA	2		
			ARP	5		
			CPN	16		
			DPP	1		
			FDP	1		
			LDPN	38		
			MRDD	2		
			NAP	1		
			NDP	2		
			PAC	4		
			PDP	544		
			PPP	0		
UDP	1					
	2	7,187	AA	02	1,701	APN
			AC	127		
			ANPP	04		
			APN	752		
			CPN	13		
			DPP	17		
			HDP	08		
			LP	21		
			LDPN	07		
			MMN	01		
			NDP	01		
			NNPP	01		
			PAC	04		
			PDP	748		
ELECTION WAS NULLIFIED BY THE ELECTION TRIBUNAL. RE-RUN ELECTION WAS HELD ON SATURDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER 2008.						
S.No	WARD	No. OF REG. VOTERS	NAME OF POLITICAL PARTY	VOTES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
66	2	6,102	AC	21	3,443	PDP
			APN	60		
			DPP	10		

			ACPN	1		
			AA	3		
			MRDD	1		
			CPP	1		
			NAP	1		
			NCP	2		
			PDP	3.130		
			NRP	9		
			PAC	3		
ELECTION HELD ON 29 MARCH 2008						
67	3	7757	AC	7	3516	PDP
			ACD	3		
			AL	5		
			ALP	2		
			ANPP	3		
			APN	848		
			ARP	1		
			DPP	143		
			PAC	1		
			PDP	2492		
			NRP	1		
			JP	1		
			LDPN	9		
68	4	5621	AA	5	2919	PDP
			AC	87		
			AD	1		
			APN	638		
			ANPP	10		
			APGA	5		
			CPN	7		
			DPP	28		
			LDPN	9		
			LP	4		
			MRDD	1		
			MMN	2		
			NAC	1		
			NDP	8		
			NMP	1		
			HP	2		
			PAC	4		
			PDP	2102		
			PP	2		
			PPP	2		
RE-RUN ELECTION HELD ON SATURDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER 2008						
69	5	12,515	AC	19	2,053	PDP
			ANPP	1		
			APN	31		
			LP	1		

			PDP	1,959		
			PAC	2		
RE-RUN ELECTION HELD ON SATURDAY, 10TH MAY 2008						
70	6	6,939	AC	13	1,349	PDP
			APN	121		
			ANPP	7		
			PDP	1,198		
			LDPN	7		
			CPN	1		
			NAC	1		
			NCP	1		
			PAC	5		
RE-RUN ELECTION HELD ON SATURDAY, 10TH MAY 2008						
71	7	8,145	AC	74	3,965	PDP
			APN	153		
			ANPP	42		
			DPP	31		
			PDP	3,653		
			PAC	2		
			HDP	1		
			LDPN	3		
			MRDD	12		
			CPN	2		
			FDP	1		
			NDP	1		
			NEPP	1		
RE-RUN ELECTION HELD ON SATURDAY, 10TH MAY 2008						
72	8	7,481	AC	138	3,151	PDP
			APN	69		
			PDP	2937		
			RPN	3		
			LDPN	2		
			HDP	1		
			ADC	1		
RE-RUN ELECTION HELD ON SATURDAY, 10TH MAY 2008						
73	9	12,394	AC	64	4,385	PDP
			APN	219		
			JP	10		
			PDP	4083		
			PAC	4		
			LDPN	4		
			HDP	1		
RE-RUN ELECTION HELD ON SATURDAY, 10TH MAY 2008						
74	10	5,170	AC	56	553	APN
			APN	268		
			FDP	3		
			PPP	1		
			LP	3		
			UNP	1		
			LDP	6		

			PDP	189		
			DPP	14		
			RPN	1		
			CPN	5		
			MMN	4		
			HDP	1		
			UDP	1		
RE-RUN ELECTION HELD ON SATURDAY, 10TH MAY 2008						
75	11	3,527	AC	60	598	PDP
			ADC	1		
			APGA	1		
			APN	132		
			CPN	12		
			LDP	11		
			PDP	330		
			ANPP	2		
			DPP	42		
			NDP	6		
			ALP	1		

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S/NO.	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTIES	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
76	CHAIRMANSHIP	97,059	AC	3,282	47,724	PDP
			NDP	519		
			PDP	43,413		
			AA	7		
			ACPN	NIL		
			AFD	246		
			CPN	20		
			PAC	1		
			APGA	74		
			ADC	57		
			NAP	40		
			DA	50		
			NNPP	6		
ANPP	9					

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S/NO.	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTIES	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
RE-RUN ELECTION APRIL 19TH 2008						
77	1	5,754	PDP	555	716	PDP
			AC	100		
			DPP	61		
78	2	5,433	AC	144	5,208	PDP
			NDP	564		
			PDP	4,500		
79	3	10,900	AC	72	6,543	PDP
			PDP	6,471		
			PPP	NIL		
			PSP	NIL		
			RPN	NIL		
80	4	4,044	AC	211	2,681	PDP
			PDP	2,273		
			AD	120		
			ARP	24		
			CP	3		
			ADC	50		

RE-RUN ELCTION APRIL 19 TH 2008						
81	5	3,666	AC	12	2,095	PDP
			PDP	2,083		
BYE-ELECTION HELD ON SATURDAY, 14TH AUGUST 2010 AS A RESULT OF THE DEATH OF THE COUNCILOR ELECTED IN 2008						
	5	2,957	CDC	0	182	PDP
			DPA	0		
			MRDD	0		
			PAC	0		
			PDP	181		
			PPA	1		
82	6	6,005	AC	502	3,264	PDP
			PDP	2,753		
			CPN	7		
			RPN	1		
			APGA	1		
83	7	8,233	AC	250	5,665	PDP
			AFD	92		
			ADC	69		
			NAP	55		
			PDP	5,199		
84	8	6,239	AC	306	5,401	PDP
			PDP	5,065		
			DA	30		
RE-RUN ELECTION 13 DECEMBER 2008						
85	9	6,196	PDP	5,137	6,180	PDP
			AC	1,001		
			NNPP	10		
			APGA	15		
			ANPP	10		
			NDP	7		
86	10	4,166	AC	120	4,109	PDP
			PDP	3,989		
RE-RUN ELECTION APRIL 19TH 2008						
87	11	18,800	AC	231	3,474	PDP
			PDP	3,243		
88	12	6,585	PDP	6,285	6,525	PDP
			AC	240		
RE-RUN ELECTION APRIL 19TH 2008						
89	13	11,038	AC	650	5,294	PDP
			ANPP	50		
			DA	89		
			PDP	4,505		

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CHAIRMANSHIP ELECTIONS SCORES SUMMARY**

S/NO.	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
90	88,759	AC	1118	48,704	PDP
		DPP	3248		
		FDP	02		
		NDP	42		
		PDP	44161		
		CPN	06		
		PAC	15		
		NNPP	01		
		PPP	08		
		NPC	02		
		ANPP	03		
		AA	26		
		AD	09		
		NCP	02		
		ACPN	03		
		PCC	05		
		PN	01		
		NPP	00		
		DPA	01		
		CPP	03		
		DA	36		
		CDC	01		
		NAP	04		
		APN	01		
		MRDD	01		
		PSP	01		
		MD	01		
		PPA	01		
		NEPP	02		
		AMPP	01		
JP	02				
MMN	05				
NSDP	01				
ALP	00				
LDPN	00				
LP	02				

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S/No.	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
91	1	9047	AC	43	3881	PDP
			DPP	85		
			PDP	3689		
			NDP	08		
			CDC	01		
			CPN	03		
			PAC	09		
			AD	04		
			PMP	08		
			PPA	12		
			PRP	03		
			ACPN	02		
			ADC	01		
			DPA	01		
			HDP	02		
			LP	01		
			NAC	01		
			NCP	03		
			NEPP	01		
			PSP	02		
RPN	02					
92	2	4017	PDP	242	295	PDP
			DPP	37		
			AC	08		
			FDP	01		
			NDP	05		
			LDPN	00		
			HDP	00		
			CPN	01		
			CDC	01		
			93	3		
AC	57					
DPP	123					
CPN	01					
DPP	123					
NDP	10					
PPP	02					
ANPP	01					
CPP	01					
PAC	01					
ADC	07					
NMDP	00					
LDPN	00					

94	4	6357	AC	32	2434	PDP
			DPP	102		
			PDP	2259		
			JP	01		
			MRDD	02		
			PAC	05		
			CPN	05		
			PPP	02		
			UDP	01		
			HDP	00		
			NDP	09		
			CPP	01		
			PSP	02		
			ACPN	01		
95	5	13932	AC	205	2217	PDP
			CPN	104		
			DPP	891		
			PDP	1016		
			NDP	01		
			LDPN	00		
96	6	5808	AC	46	3472	PDP
			PDP	3369		
			DPP	51		
			MMN	00		
RE-RUN ELECTION APRIL 19TH 2008						
97	7	9255	AC	65	7094	PDP
			ANPP	NIL		
			DPP	02		
			PDP	6889		
			PSP	12		
			DPA	01		
			NDP	03		
98	8	8404	AC	42	4536	PDP
			DPP	229		
			PDP	4245		
			ACPN	02		
			NCP	01		
			AD	07		
			CDC	05		
			NDP	01		
			PPP	03		
			CPN	01		
			MMN	00		
			HDP	00		
99	9	8018	PDP	6527	6921	PDP
			DPP	327		
			DA	33		
			PAC	02		
			NDP	01		
			DA	33		

			HDP	00		
RE-RUN ELECTION 10TH MAY 2008						
100	10	7507	AC	08	2856	PDP
			DPP	497		
			PDP	2251		
			NDP	87		
			ADC	03		
			ANPP	01		
			CPN	06		
			PAC	01		
			PPC	01		
			PPP	01		
101	11	10168	AC	202	7494	PDP
			DPP	635		
			PDP	5742		
102	12	11392	AA	27	11068	PDP
			DPP	310		
			PDP	10464		
			AC	267		

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S/N	WARD	NO OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTIES	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
RE-RUN ELECTION HELD ON 15TH NOVEMBER 2008						
103	CHAIRMAN	127,593	AC	286	24,000	PDP
			ACPN	2		
			AD	2		
			CDC	1		
			DPP	279		
			PPA	1		
			MRDD	2		
			NCP	24		
			NDP	2		
			NNPP	7		
			PDP	22902		
			PPP	4		
			PAC	4		
			ALP	1		
Rejected Votes	483					

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S/N	WARD	NO OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTIES	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
104	1	5,221	PDP	3,281	4,478	PDP
			AC	1,034		
			DPP	156		
			PPP	1		
			CPN	3		
			ALP	1		
			NUP	1		
			PAC	1		
105	2	6,615	AC	26	139	PDP
			CPN	4		
			DPP	6		
			LP	35		
			NRP	5		
			PAC	1		
			PDP	53		
			PPP	2		
			CPP	2		
ACD	4					

			NCP	1		
106	3	2,026	ACD	1	179	PDP
			CPN	8		
			AC	50		
			PDP	86		
			ACPN	1		
			A	1		
			NAP	1		
			NSDP	1		
			RPN	3		
			DPP	4		
			UDP	2		
			Rejected votes	21		
			107	4		
CPN	6					
DPP	6					
NDP	3					
PDP	177					
NCP	2					
Rejected votes	1					
108	5	12,239	DPP	1,369	5,592	PDP
			PDP	3,685		
			PMP	1		
			AC	327		
			Rejected votes	210		
109	6	6,154	DPP	5	606	PDP
			NCP	1		
			PDP	597		
			Rejected votes	3		
110	7	10,233	AA	4	4,203	PDP
			AC	1,018		
			APN	1		
			DA	2		
			DPP	10		
			FDP	63		
			PDP	3066		
			NNPP	3		
			NCP	7		
			Rejected votes	29		
111	8	7,035	AC	311	3,362	PDP
			ACPN	1		
			ADC	1		
			BNPP	1		
			CPN	2		
			CPP	3		
			DA	1		
			DPP	552		
			FDP	175		
			HDP	2		
			NCP	6		
			PDP	2304		

			NNPP	1		
			PAC	2		
112	9	6,059	AA	17	5,376	PDP
			AC	37		
			ACPN	2		
			ADC	5		
			PDP	4765		
			CPN	10		
			CPP	1		
			DA	10		
			DPP	519		
			FDP	3		
			HDP	1		
			JP	2		
			LDPN	1		
			LP	1		
			MMN	1		
			NCP	1		
113	10	6,982	AC	157	3,219	PDP
			AD	2		
			ADC	6		
			ALP	3		
			CPN	3		
			DPP	62		
			NCP	1		
			PAC	1		
			PDP	2857		
			PPP	127		
114	11	2,186	AA	2	434	PDP
			AC	28		
			PRP	1		
			DPP	3		
			NDP	2		
			CPN	4		
			PAC	2		
			DPA	2		
			ACD	2		
			NCP	1		
			PDP	366		
			Rejected votes	21		
			29TH MARCH ELECTIONS WAS SUSPENDED IN WARD 12 AS A RESULT OF VIOLENCE AND HIJACKING OF ELECTIONS MATERIALS. RE-RUN HELD ON 15TH OF NOVEMBER, 2008			
115	12	9,852	AC	120	320	PDP
			ACPN	1		
			CDC	1		
			PDP	176		
			CPN	4		
			DA	8		
			NAC	1		
			Rejected votes	9		

116	13	2,938	DPP	2	1,002	PDP
			PDP	898		
			Rejected vote	102		
117	14	14,594	AC	61	12,306	PDP
			DPP	75		
			NNPP	12		
			PDP	11910		
			LP	12		
			Rejected votes	236		
29TH MARCH ELECTIONS WAS SUSPENDED IN WARDS 15 AND 16 AS A RESULT OF VIOLENCE AND HIJACKING OF ELECTIONS MATERIALS. RE-RUN HELD ON 15TH OF NOVEMBER, 2008						
118	15	5,706	AC	195	3,058	PDP
			ALP	1		
			AD	1		
			DPP	25		
			MRDD	1		
			NCP	1		
			NNPP	5		
			PDP	2819		
			PPP	2		
			Rejected votes	8		
119	16	16,026	AC	15	1,364	PDP
			MRDD	5		
			NDP	1		
			NAC	6		
			PDP	1326		
			ADC	6		
			Rejected votes	5		
120	17	9,230	CDC	35	9,120	PDP
			DPP	100		
			NDP	139		
			PDP	8833		
			Rejected votes	13		

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S/N	WARD	NO OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTIES	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
121	CHAIRMANSHIP	81,040	AA	401	49,690	PDP
			AC	581		
			ACPN	1		
			AD	3		
			ALP	3		
			ANPP	10		
			APGA	1		
			APN	3		
			CDC	1		
			CPN	112		
			CPP	6		
			DA	1		
			DPP	5		
			HDP	1		
			JP	27		
			LDPN	1		
			LP	2		
			NAC	1		
			NAP	4		
			NCP	4		
			NDP	6		
			NEPP	2		
			NMDP	2		
NSDP	1					
NUP	20					
PAC	4					
PDP	48,464					
PMP	7					
PPP	11					
PRP	1					
PSP	1					

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MARCH 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
ELEME LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTIONS SCORES SUMMARY**

S/NO	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	VOTES OBTAINED	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
122	1 Ebubu	12,751	AA	52	7,485	PDP
			AC	398		
			ANPP	1		
			CDC	4		
			CPA	3		
			CPN	108		
			CPP	228		
			DA	1		
			NMDP	1		
			PAC	6		
			PDP	6677		
			PPP	6		
123	2 Alode	8,707	AA	47	5,803	PDP
			AC	141		
			CDC	1		
			CPN	7		
			DPP	1		
			PAC	1		
			PDP	5,605		
124	3 Ogale	6,665	AA	4	6,290	PDP
			AC	7		
			ADC	3		
			ANPP	6		
			CPN	4		
			DPP	1		
			NCP	1		
			NEPP	1		
			NNPP	1		
			PAC	3		
PDP	6,258					
125	4 Ebubu	6,834	AA	4	4,863	PDP
			AC	123		
			CDC	1		
			CPN	44		
			DPP	1		
			NAC	1		
			PDP	4,310		
			PPP	378		
PSP	1					
126	5 Ekporo	3,465	AC	39	762	PDP
			ANPP	5		
			CPN	5		
			NPP	2		

			PAC	1		
			PDP	710		
127	6 Eteo	2,359	AA	4	663	PDP
			AC	13		
			PAC	2		
			PDP	644		
128	7 Onne	16,469	AC	77	5,865	PDP
			CPP	1		
			LDP	1		
			PDP	5,789		
			PSP	1		
129	8 Agbonchia	9,356	AA	7	8,651	PDP
			AC	617		
			HDP	1		
			PDP	8026		
130	9 Akpajo	3,884	AC	104	3,128	PDP
			CPN	5		
			CPP	1		
			NDP	1		
			PAC	4		
			PDP	3018		
			PPP	1		
APRIL 19,2008 LOCAL GOV'T COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTION RE-RUN						
131	10 Aleto	8,762	AA	1	3,629	PDP
			AC	6		
			APGA	1		
			JP	1		
			PAC	9		
			PDP	3,611		

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EMOHUA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
CHAIRMANSHIP ELECTIONS SCORES SUMMARY**

S/NO	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	VOTES OBTAINED	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
132	CHAIR	67,429	AA	479	39,005	PDP
			AC	1,999		
			ACPN	67		
			ADC	2		
			CDC	5		
			CPN	143		
			DPP	6		
			JP	15		
			NAC	73		
			NCP	8		
			NDP	162		
			NNPP	184		
			PAC	22		
			PDP	34,378		
			PSP	1		
			RPN	5		
			UDP	7		
			NSDP	64		
			PRP	1		
			LP	445		
			BNPP	1		
			NMDP	9		
			ARP	355		
			CPP	44		
			DA	1		
			MRDD	8		
			PPP	10		
NRP	7					
MMN	2					
HDP	16					
PNP	1					
NPP	6					
AD	1					
APGA	2					

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EMOHUA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTIONS SCORES SUMMARY**

S/NO.	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	VOTES OBTAINED	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
133	1	5,810	AC	82	3,618	PDP
			ACPN	1		
			ANPP	1		
			CPN	9		
			MMN	5		
			NAC	2		
			NCP	1		
			NDP	203		
			NNPP	2		
			NSDP	8		
			PAC	4		
			PDP	3299		
			PPP	1		
134	2	5,765	AA	1	5,228	PDP
			AC	54		
			ACPN	3		
			ADC	1		
			CDC	1		
			CPM	1		
			DPP	1		
			FDP	2		
			JP	1		
			NAC	2		
			NCP	4		
			NDP	1		
			NEPP	1		
			NNPP	85		
			PAC	2		
			PDP	5047		
PSP	1					
RPN	19					
UDP	1					
135	3	15,961	AA	21	5,331	PDP
			AC	231		
			ADC	3		
			ANPP	10		
			ARP	35		
			CPN	11		
			JP	4		
			NDP	27		
			NNDP	1		
			NNPP	225		
NRP	1					

			NSDP	4		
			PAC	25		
			PDP	4727		
			PPP	3		
			PSP	1		
			UDP	2		
RE-RUN ELECTION HELD ON APRIL 19, 2008						
136	4	7,595	AA	2	2,051	PDP
			AC	149		
			ALP	1		
			ARP	29		
			CPN	19		
			PAC	5		
			PDP	1845		
			PPP	1		
137	5		AA	7	3,229	PDP
			AC	37		
			ARP	1372		
			CPN	11		
			NNPP	2		
			PAC	5		
			PDP	1794		
			PPP	1		
138	6	6,699	AC	30	4,368	PDP
			ARP	3		
			DA	1		
			DPP	2		
			LP	47		
			NSDP	1		
			PAC	1		
			PDP	4,283		
			PPP	-		
139	7	7,165	AA	71	2,689	PDP
			AC	27		
			ADC	1		
			ALP	6		
			ARP	455		
			CDC	1		
			CPN	1		
			DA	1		
			DPP	1		
			JP	1		
			MMN	1		
			MRDD	3		
			NAC	1		
			PAC	3		
PDP	2,116					

DEC. 13, 2008 LOCAL GOV'T COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTION RE-RUN						
140	8	3,189	PAC	1	75	PDP
			PDP	74		
141	9	6,678	AA	11	3,409	PDP
			AC	639		
			ANPP	1		
			ARP	383		
			CPN	12		
			CPP	1		
			LDPN	1		
			LP	3		
			NAC	1		
			PAC	320		
			PDP	2037		
			142	10		
ARP	195					
CDC	1					
CPP	17					
HDP	1					
LP	2					
NAP	2					
NCP	1					
NDP	10					
PDP	2801					
APRIL 19, LOCAL GOV'T COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTION RE-RUN						
143	11	2,173	AC	8	2,173	PDP
			ALP	1		
			ARP	24		
			BNPP	4		
			CPM	1		
			CPP	1		
			DA	2		
			FDP	1		
			HDP	1		
			LDP	1		
			LP	1		
			MDJ	4		
			MRDD	2		
			MVN	2		
			NAC	1		
			NAP	14		
			NDP	32		
			NSDP	32		
			NCP	13		
			PAC	2		
PDP	2027					
PMP	2					
PPP	3					
PSP	2					
RPN	1					
UDP	1					

144	12	3,771	AA	8	2,428	PDP
			AC	1		
			APGA	1		
			ARP	6		
			CPN	2		
			NAC	1		
			NAP	1		
			NEPP	1		
			NRP	1		
			NSDP	78		
			PDP	2328		
145	13	2,785	AA	1	1,576	PDP
			AC	357		
			ARP	11		
			BNPP	1		
			CPN	36		
			DA	1		
			HDP	1		
			LP	1		
			MRDD	1		
			NAC	5		
			PAC	3		
			PDP	1158		
			146	14		
AC	137					
ARP	18					
CPN	28					
JP	2					
LP	1					
MMN	1					
MRDD	1					
NAC	98					
NCP	4					
NDP	5					
PAC	1					
PMP	1					
PDP	2120					
BYE-ELECTION HELD ON 14TH AUGUST 2010 FOLLOWING THE DEATH OF THE COUNCILLOR						
147	14	5,051	ARP	16	326	PDP
			PDP	310		

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ETCHE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
SUMMARY OF CHAIRMANSHIP ELECTION RESULT**

S/NO.	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTIES	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
148	CHAIR	116,990	AC	4,545	93,325	PDP
			PDP	86,292		
			CPP	12		
			ND	NIL		
			NPP	NIL		
			PSP	NIL		
			AD	20		
			DPA	6		
			APGA	15		
			PAC	2		
			PPP	2		
			ALP	NIL		
			AA	62		
			JP	102		
			LP	569		
			DPP	355		
			ANPP	113		
			NAC	1		
			CPN	14		
			NCP	615		
			ADC	NIL		
			NDP	4		
			NAP	28		
			UAP	7		
			AL	11		
			PPA	1		
ACP	467					
NNPP	79					
NEPP	1					
NSDP	2					

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ETCHE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
SUMMARY OF COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTION RESULT**

S/NO.	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTIES	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
149	1	6,394	AC	453	5,881	PDP
			PDP	5,414		
			AA	14		
150	2	8,320	AC	1,900	8,242	PDP
			DPP	99		
			PDP	6,243		
151	3	8,806	PDP	5,912	6,144	PDP
			AC	31		
			CPP	13		
			ND	1		
			MPP	60		
			PSP	30		
			AD	20		
			DPA	6		
			APGA	64		
			PPP	1		
			ALP	1		
			AA	2		
			PAC	3		
152	4	10,028	PPC	1	9,885	PDP
			PDP	9,835		
			AC	96		
			APGA	NIL		
153	5	10,087	PDP	9,850	9,932	PDP
			LP	5		
			NCP	5		
			AC	25		
	6	4,295	DPP	168	2,712	PDP
			AC	133		
			CPN	1		
			PDP	2,404		
			LP	6		
BYE-ELECTION OF 22ND MAY 2010						
154	6	4,375	ARP	25	237	PDP
			PDP	212		
155	7	5,047	PDP	535	535	PDP

156	8	6,028	PDP	4,455	4,771	PDP
			AA	46		
			AC	134		
			LP	20		
			NCP	60		
			PAC	1		
			ADC	1		
			CPU	1		
			PPP	2		
			CPN	1		
			BNDD	23		
			NAC	23		
			NAD	1		
			UDP	3		
157	9	4,995	AC	144	4,644	PDP
			DPP	2		
			PDP	4,481		
			ALP	11		
			ANPP	6		
158	10	2,657	AC	9	2,646	PDP
			PDP	2,637		
159	11	5,142	PDP	4,005	5,005	PDP
			AC	1,000		
			LP	NIL		
			PPA	NIL		
			AD	NIL		
160	12	6,249	PDP	3,502	3,685	PDP
			AC	42		
			APGA	31		
			LP	10		
			NCP	100		
RE-RUN ELECTION HELD ON SATURDAY, APRIL 19TH 2008						
161	13	12,191	AC	496	8,939	PDP
			DPP	3		
			LP	50		
			PDP	8,351		
			ACPN	1		
			PAC	2		
			RPN	1		
			CPN	8		
			ALP	1		
			CPP	1		
			NAC	21		
			MRDD	1		
			NCP	1		
DA	2					

162	14	6,603	AC	206	4,767	PDP
			PDP	4,440		
			NDP	9		
			ANPP	31		
			CPN	10		
			NNPP	67		
			AA	1		
			NEPP	1		
			NCP	2		
163	15	2,296	AC	26	1,315	PDP
			LP	NIL		
			PDP	1,289		
164	16	3,920	PDP	3,352	3,516	PDP
			AC	159		
			JP	2		
			ANPP	2		
			PAC	1		
165	17	6,731	AC	600	4,950	PDP
			DPP	400		
			PDP	3,950		
166	18	6,730	AC	293	6,600	PDP
			JP	256		
			LP	11		
			PDP	6,038		
			NSDP	2		
167	19	6,785	PDP	5,412	6,412	PDP
			LP	NIL		
			AC	NIL		
			DPP	1,000		

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GOKANA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
SUMMARY OF CHAIRMANSHIP ELECTION RESULT**

S/NO.	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTIES	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
168	CHAIRMANSHIP	94,159	ANPP	727	75,674	PDP
			AC	1,542		
			PDP	72,928		
			DPP	234		
			ARP	2		
			CPN	56		
			APGA	3		
			CPP	12		
			NDP	1		
			ADC	2		
			PAC	8		
			PSP	11		
			NRP	70		
			NCP	4		
			LP	3		
			MMN	1		
			ADC	1		
			PPP	2		
			PMP	4		
			DPA	1		
NAC	3					
NAP	1					
RPN	58					
AA	NIL					

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GOKANA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
SUMMARY OF COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTION RESULT**

S/NO.	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTIES	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
169	1	4,650	ANPP	326	4,435	PDP
			AC	332		
			PDP	3,777		
RE-RUN ELECTION APRIL 19th 2008						
170	2	4,772	AC	387	3,122	PDP
			APGA	342		
			ADP	NIL		
			PDP	2,393		
171	3	7,382	PDP	6,703	7,201	PDP
			AC	314		
			ANPP	131		
			CPN	17		
			AA	1		
			CPP	1		
			DPP	29		
			ARP	2		
			APGA	3		
			172	4		
DPP	124					
NAC	6					
AC	56					
ANPP	35					
PAC	5					
PSP	3					
173	5	5,669	AC	38	5,662	PDP
			ANPP	22		
			PDP	5,578		
			JP	16		
			NRP	8		
174	6	11,152	AC	171	11,129	PDP
			NRP	60		
			PDP	10,898		
175	7	2,874	AC	58	2,640	PDP
			CPN	17		
			PAC	3		
			PDP	2,560		
			ANPP	1		
			MMN	1		
176	8	2,782	AC	72	2,611	PDP
			ADC	2		
			PDP	2,520		
			PPP	1		
			AA	1		

			APN	1		
			DPP	2		
			MMN	2		
			PPA	1		
			PAC	2		
			PMP	3		
			CPN	1		
			NAP	3		
RE-RUN ELECTION APRIL 19TH 2008						
177	9	6,875	AC	239	4,464	PDP
			APN	NIL		
			PDP	4,225		
178	10	4,189	AC	13	4,189	PDP
			PDP	4,176		
179	11	7,878	AC	89	7,736	PDP
			DPP	49		
			RPN	62		
			PDP	7,475		
			AC	61		
180	12	2,542	AC	61	2,436	PDP
			DPP	34		
			PDP	2,341		
181	13	7,291	PDP	6,404	6,807	PDP
			AC	169		
			DPP	234		
182	14	3,735	AC	98	3,719	PDP
			ANPP	4		
			PDP	3,607		
			DPP	10		
183	15	3,000	AC	61	2,640	PDP
			CPN	2		
			PDP	2,572		
			ANPP	1		
			CDC	3		
			PPP	1		
184	16	6,147	AC	112	6,045	PDP
			ANPP	3		
			APGA	NIL		
			LP	NIL		
			PDP	5,929		
			RPN	1		
RE-RUN ELECTION APRIL 19TH 2008						
185	17	2,935	AC	800	2,195	PDP
			DPP	84		
			PDP	1,311		

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IKWERRE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
CHAIRMANSHIP ELECTIONS SCORES SUMMARY**

S/NO.	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
185	CHAIR	125,699	AC	1875	89,159	PDP
			DPP	1205		
			PDP	85598		
			NDP	258		
			ANPP	06		
			JP	71		
			NEPP	38		
			CBN	12		
			CPN	27		
			BNPP	02		
			ARP	01		
			HDP	02		
			APGA	01		
			NAP	03		
			CDC	01		
			ACPN	06		
			NCP	05		
			PAC	19		
			ADC	18		
			PPA	01		
			PPP	01		
			PRP	03		
			RPN	02		
NMDP	01					
CPP	01					
MRDD	01					
NNPP	01					

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IKWERRE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
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S/No.	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
186	1	6375	PDP	2929	3149	PDP
			DPP	47		
			NDP	24		
			NAC	105		
			AC	23		
			PPP	01		
			PSP	01		
			PAC	02		
			CPN	10		
			AD	02		
			MRDD	01		
			NMDP	00		
			ADC	04		
			187	2		
DPP	345					
PDP	2542					
NDP	56					
CPN	31					
188	3	13364	PDP	9341	9680	PDP
			AC	283		
			CPN	05		
			RPN	02		
			DPP	01		
			NNPP	01		
			PAC	02		
			PPC	01		
			ANPP	01		
			APGA	01		
			LDP	01		
			NDP	01		
			NUP	01		
			PNP	01		
MMM	01					
AD	01					
189	4	8450	PDP	6011	6413	PDP
			DPP	399		
			AC	02		
			NDP	01		
190	5	6661	PDP	5035	5320	PDP
			DPP	135		
			NDP	26		
			AC	02		
			HDP	01		

			ANPP	01		
			MRDD	01		
191	6	8534	PDP	7795	7892	PDP
			DPP	47		
			NPP	01		
192	7	7677	AC	337	4871	PDP
			DPP	225		
			PDP	4309		
193	8	12640	PDP	9218	9341	PDP
			AD	15		
			DPP	05		
			PAC	02		
			AC	01		
194	9	8903	AC	311	8696	PDP
			PDP	8329		
			PCC	01		
			CPN	01		
			PPP	02		
195	10	7126	AC	520	6741	PDP
			CPN	12		
			DPP	132		
			HDP	44		
			PDP	5993		
			PPP	03		
196	11	7364	AC	02	6086	PDP
			PDP	6048		
197	12	14477	DPP	370	8928	PDP
			JP	62		
			PDP	8391		
			CPN	19		
			NDP	63		
			PAC	01		
			NLPP	01		
			ANPP	02		
			CPP	10		
			FDP	03		
			HDP	06		
BYE-ELECTION HELD ON SATURDAY, 14 AUGUST 2010 AS A RESULT OF THE DEATH OF THE COUNCILLOR						
198	12	14,477	PDP	RETURNED UNOPPOSED		PDP
199	13	14696	DPP	191	8428	PDP
			JP	68		
			NPP	220		
			PDP	7604		
			AC	35		

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KHANA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
SUMMARY OF CHAIRMANSHIP ELECTION RESULT**

S/NO	WARD	NO OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	SCORE	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
200	CHAIRMANSHIP	80,837	PDP	60,342	63,740	PDP
			CPN	135		
			LP	242		
			ANPP	172		
			DPP	513		
			JP	41		
			FDP	68		
			AD	10		
			ARP	378		
			ADC	18		
			NCP	2		
			APGA	5		
			APN	4		
			NAC	10		
			PPP	5		
			PSP	1		
			RPN	18		
			UDP	1		
			ACPN	135		
			PAC	7		
NDP	15					
NRP	1					
CDC	4					
NMDP	1					
AC	1365					

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KHANA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
SUMMARY OF COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTION RESULT**

S/NO	WARD	NO OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
201	1	5486	PDP	2157	2460	PDP
			ANPP	236		
			ARP	4		
			DPP	28		
			HDP	16		
			JP	1		
			NNPP	1		
			AC	12		

			FDP	1		
			PAC	1		
			LP	1		
			NDP	1		
			PMP	1		
RE-RUN HELD ON APRIL 19, 2008						
202	2	4555	AC	450	2920	PDP
			PDP	2370		
			ARP	45		
			LP	26		
			AA	26		
			CPN	1		
			FDP	1		
			CPP	1		
203	3	8884	PDP	5762	6795	PDP
			RPN	2		
			JP	330		
			FDP	51		
			ARP	-		
			ADC	121		
			DPP	265		
			NEPP	3		
			NRP	1		
			ANPP	223		
			PMP	1		
			AC	2		
			PAC	5		
			PPM	1		
			HDP	8		
			NNPP	5		
			CPN	3		
			DPA	2		
204	4	5124	PDP	3758	4065	PDP
			ALP	-		
			AA	76		
			AC	78		
			DPP	153		
205	5	3277	PDP	2072	2132	PDP
			CPN	1		
			ANPP	42		
			JP	0		
			NCP	0		
			AC	2		
			HDP	10		
			ALP	1		
			NEPP	1		
			AA	1		
			NNPP	1		
			PSP	1		

			PPP	1		
206	6	3763	PDP	2048	2122	PDP
			ANPP	10		
			ARP	41		
			AC	15		
			ALP	1		
			PAC	2		
			JP	0		
			NMDP	0		
			CPN	3		
			MRDD	1		
207	7	9274	PDP	6262	6435	PDP
			ANPP	2		
			ARP	30		
			AC	105		
			AA	1		
			ACPN	1		
			UDP	1		
			LPN	1		
			PSP	1		
			DPP	12		
			FDP	4		
			PPP	5		
			RPN	1		
			PAC	4		
			LP	1		
			NAC	2		
208	8	7662	PDP	3142	3748	PDP
			FDP	115		
			LP	76		
			CPN	47		
			PAC	1		
			NAC	1		
			AC	365		
			AA	1		
BYE-ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 2008						
209	8	8546	AC	32	577	PDP
			CPN	2		
			PMP	1		
			PDP	531		
			PAC	1		
			LDP	1		
210	9	3735	PDP	2572	2657	PDP
			DPP	66		
			ARP	0		
			AC	14		
			AD	1		
			ADC	2		
			ANPP	1		
			NCP	0		

			PAC	1							
211	10	5867	PDP	5343	5567	PDP					
			JP	45							
			AC	129							
			DPP	3							
			AD	1							
			ADC	1							
			CPN	2							
			APN	2							
			ACPN	39							
			PAC	2							
			RE-RUN ELECTION HELD ON 19TH APRIL 2008								
212	11	4328	PDP	1230	1479	PDP					
			JP	2							
			NAC	54							
			AC	85							
			APN	2							
			ANC	9							
			NAP	1							
			NCP	1							
			PAC	2							
			AFD	81							
			CDC	1							
			UDP	11							
			213	12			4251	PDP	1358	3955	AC
								NCP	0		
FDP	1										
ARP	64										
ADC	0										
AC	2531										
MRDN	8										
214	13	5412	PDP	4653	4660	PDP					
			ANPP	0							
			AC	141							
			ARP	3							
215	14	2087	PDP	2033	2087	PDP					
			JP	11							
			ARP	26							
			AC	9							
			ANP	3							
			AC	130							
LP	5										
RE-RUN HELD ON APRIL 19, 2008											
216	15	9362	AA	10	7762	PDP					
			PDP	5421							
			AC	130							
			DPP	2107							
			PAC	3							
			LP	22							
			ADC	1							
			NDP	25							

			ANPP	29		
			AD	1		
			APGA	1		
			ARP	1		
			MRDD	1		
217	16	7499	PDP	7011	7406	PDP
			DPP	295		
			AC	25		
			NDP	3		
			FDP	3		
			PPP	3		
			ANPP	0		
			JP	1		
			HDP	1		
			BNPP	1		
			CPN	1		
			NCP	1		
			NMDP	1		
			NSD	2		
			LP	44		
			PAC	0		
			RPN	0		
PSP	4					
UDP	1					
218	17	8351	PDP	7852	7854	PDP
			LP	0		
			DPP	0		
			FDP	1		
			PPA	1		
219	18	4998	PDP	2703	3182	PDP
			LP	43		
			AC	137		
			ARP	260		
			CPN	21		
			DPP	10		
			PAC	2		
			NAP	1		
			AA	5		
220	19	5486	PDP	4738	4980	PDP
			JP	0		
			AC	186		
			LP	14		
			NAC	1		
			PAC	1		
			NAP	1		
			NCP	2		
			AA	3		
			ANPP	19		
			DPP	15		

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S.No.	WARD	No. OF REG. VOTERS	NAME OF POLITICAL PARTY	VOTES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
221	CHAIRMAN	191,526	PDP	41,825	43,434	PDP
			APGA	16		
			CPP	38		
			AC	353		
			NAP	4		
			NSDP	248		
			MRDD	1		
			ACPN	10		
			ANPP	74		
			HDP	7		
			AA	37		
			NCP	19		
			NDP	13		
			PAC	39		
			PSP	322		
			CDC	4		
			DPP	43		
			CPN	30		
			AD	27		
			DPA	2		
FDP	9					
NEPP	4					
NRP	4					
RPN	303					
NAC	7					

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S.NO.	WARD	No. OF REG. VOTERS	NAME OF POLITICAL PARTY	VOTES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
222	1	13,406	PDP	5,321	5,406	PDP
			AC	3		
			ACPN	1		
			PPP	1		
			PSP	5		
			UDP	9		
			ANPP	20		
			HDP	17		
			NSDP	5		
			APGA	2		
			PAC	1		
			ADP	1		
			DPP	2		
			CPN	9		
			CPP	1		
			FDP	3		
			JP	3		
			NAP	1		
NAC	1					
223	2	9,107	AA	1	769	PDP
			PDP	746		
			ANPP	1		
			NAP	3		
			NCP	3		
			NDP	1		
			AC	10		
			NNPP	2		
			CPN	1		
			CPP	1		
224	3	24,224	PDP	611	743	DPP
			AC	69		
			AA	7		
			NDP	1		
			CPN	3		
			PAC	2		
			BNPP	1		
			NEPP	0		
LP	3					

225	4	19,482	PDP	3902	4,017	PDP
			AC	41		
			PAC	5		
			PPA	3		
			NCP	3		
			DA	2		
			DPP	6		
			LP	2		
			AA	1		
			ANPP	11		
			NNPP	1		
			CPN	2		
			CPP	1		
			NAC	6		
			NEPP	1		
			PPP	3		
			UDP	2		
			APGA	1		
			HDP	1		
			NSDP	2		
			PSP	1		
			ACPN	1		
			AD	1		
ADC	0					
NAP	1					
226	5	8,931	PDP	1403	1477	PDP
			ANPP	19		
			NAC	3		
			PAC	0		
			AC	21		
			APGA	1		
			BNPP	1		
			CPN	3		
			DPN	5		
			NCP	4		
			PMP	3		
			CPP	1		
			NSDP	2		
			NAP	2		
			JP	2		
			ACPN	1		
			AA	6		

227	6	19,259	AC	22	2,827	PDP
			JP	1		
			FDP	6		
			NEPP	2		
			PDP	2,945		
			PMP	1		
			NRP	1		
			NSDP	13		
			APGA	5		
			DPP	2		
			NCP	2		
			PAC	8		
			LP	1		
			RPN	2		
			NAC	2		
			ANPP	5		
			APN	3		
			CDC	2		
			CPN	11		
			MRDD	5		
			NAP	2		
			PP	1		
			PSP	1		
			PPA	4		
ACPN	1					
ADC	1					
LP	1					
228	7	19,990	PDP	1,942	2,191	PDP
			AC	22		
			ANPP	1		
			APN	3		
			ANPP	3		
			NSDP	22		
			PAC	2		
			AD	2		
			PPP	1		
			CPN	1		
			DPP	2		
			FDP	0		
			HDP	116		
			CPP	7		
			JP	1		
			NDP	12		
			UNDP	21		
			PPA	1		
			NEPP	1		
			AA	1		
ADC	2					
DPP	0					
PRP	0					
CDC	1					

			NAP	2							
			UDP	0							
			ADP	1							
229	8	13,856	PDP	629	639	PDP					
			APGA	1							
			AD	1							
			MMN	1							
			NAC	1							
			NNDP	1							
			APN	1							
			AC	2							
			NDP	1							
			FDP	0							
			LDPN	1							
			230	9			19,253	PDP	5548	5,587	PDP
								NSDP	2		
PAC	3										
ANPP	5										
AA	5										
AC	18										
PSP	1										
CPN	2										
DPP	3										
231	10	16,826	PDP	3,934	4,140	PDP					
			NSDP	12							
			AC	57							
			BNPP	2							
			NDP	7							
			CPN	4							
			APN	1							
			ANPP	22							
			CPP	20							
			ADC	0							
			AD	23							
			DPP	41							
			NCP	0							
			AA	4							
			NAP	2							
			NAC	3							
			HDP	5							
			PAC	1							
			MRDD	1							
			DA	1							
232	11	7364	PDP	4,528	4,530	PDP					
			PAC	1							
			CPN	1							
233	12	11,504	PDP	4,382	4,939	PDP					
			PSP	250							
			RPN	150							
			AC	24							

			NSDP	19		
			ANPP	3		
			CDC	1		
			HDP	21		
			NCP	3		
			MRDD	3		
			PAC	13		
			JP	10		
			CPP	3		
			CPN	26		
			BNPP	2		
			DPP	2		
			ALP	9		
234	13	8,932	PDP	734	789	PDP
			AC	20		
			ARP	13		
			CPN	1		
			NSDP	12		
			PAC	1		
			ANPP	2		
			AA	2		
			UDP	1		
			NAC	1		
235	14	10,005	PAC	2	3,470	PDP
			PDP	3377		
			NSDP	81		
			CPN	2		
			NDP	1		
			PPP	2		
			MRDD	1		
			NAC	1		
			NEPP	1		
			PSP	1		
236	15	10,925	AC	13		
			AA	4		
			AD	1		
			ALP	0		
			ANPP	0		
			APGA	5		
			APN	10		
			ARP	0		
			BNPP	2		
			CDC	0		
			CPN	1		
			CPP	2		
			DA	1		
			DPP	15		
			HDP	0		
			JP	1		

			LP	3		
			CPA	1		
			ACPN	1		
			ADC	9		
			NAC	2		
			NCP	9		
			NDP	2		
			NNPP	0		
			NRP	3		
237	16	14,641	AA	1	6,648	PDP
			AC	51		
			AD	0		
			ADC	2		
			ANPP	2		
			BNPP	3		
			CPN	8		
			CPP	0		
			MRDD	1		
			NEPP	0		
			NNPP	133		
			PAC	4		
			PDP	6,434		
			PPP	1		
			DPP	3		
UDP	5					
238	17	5,047	PDP	2,257	2294	PDP
			APGA	3		
			ARP	1		
			NAC	1		
			PAC	3		
			NNPP	18		
			NRP	2		
			UDP	1		
			AC	4		
			AD	1		
			ANPP	1		
			DPP	1		
			AA	1		

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S.NO.	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	NAME OF POLITICAL PARTY	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
239	CHAIRMAN	124,635	AA	31	84,639	PDP
			AC	2,052		
			ACN	26		
			AD	37		
			ADC	2		
			ALP	2		
			ANPP	15		
			APGA	62		
			APN	62		
			CDC	2		
			CPN	96		
			DA	11		
			DPP	70		
			HDP	1		
			JP	256		
			JP	3		
			NAC	14		
			NDP	8		
			NNPP	60		
			PAC	24		
PDP	80,399					
PMP	4					
PPP	61					
PSP	5					
UDA	1					

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S.No.	WARD	No. OF REG. VOTERS	NAME OF POLITICAL PARTY	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
RE-RUN ELECTION HELD ON SATURDAY, 19TH APRIL 2008						
240	1	8,059	PDP	2343	2,585	PDP
			PAC	2		
			BNPP	15		
			DPP	12		
			JP	12		
			MRDD	1		
			CPN	2		

241	2	6,326	PAC	12	5,061	PDP
			PDP	4,861		
			PPP	3		
			JP	76		
			AC	16		
			CPN	6		
			APGA	4		
			AD	2		
			NMDP	0		
242	3	4,844	AC	76	3,419	PDP
			PDP	3,230		
			CPN	1		
			ADC	1		
			CPN	44		
			PAC	4		
			JP	40		
			PPP	23		
243	4	10,945	PDP	7,883	8,051	PDP
			JP	149		
			PAC	2		
			CPN	1		
			NNPP	7		
			AC	4		
			NAC	1		
			NMDP	0		
			PSP	4		
244	5	4,479	AC	172	3,191	PDP
			ACPN	12		
			CPN	17		
			NAC	5		
			NDP	1		
			PAC	6		
			PDP	2,978		
BYE-ELECTION HELD ON SATURDAY, 13 DECEMBER 2008 AS A RESULT OF THE DEATH OF THE COUNCILLOR						
245	5.	4,479	LDPN	76	1,839	PDP
			NNPP	13		
			PDP	1,725		
246	6	4,230	PDP	2,856	2,871	PDP
			JP	1		
			NCP	1		
			UDP	3		
			PPP	2		
AC	8					

247	7	7,300	PDP	6,729	6,811	PDP
			AC	44		
			CPN	1		
			NAC	1		
			NDP	6		
			PAC	1		
			PSP	2		
			FDP	4		
			NCP	6		
			ADC	1		
			ANPP	3		
			JP	8		
			NNPP	1		
			NRP	2		
UDP	2					
RE-RUN ELECTION HELD ON 19 APRIL 2008						
248	8	6,306	AC	53	3,277	PDP
			CPN	4		
			CPP	95		
			NDP	2		
			PAC	3		
			PDP	3,110		
			NCP	1		
			DPP	1		
			PPP	1		
			NAC	1		
			UDP	1		
			NAP	2		
			AD	1		
			ANPP	2		
AA	1					
249	9	4,938	PDP	3,429	3,565	PDP
			AC	130		
			APGA	1		
			JP	3		
			NMDP	0		
			PAC	2		
RE-RUN ELECTION HELD ON SATURDAY, 19TH APRIL 2008						
250	10	13,915	PDP	3,588	3,861	PDP
			DPP	1		
			DA	203		
			AC	12		
			CPN	1		
			PAC	1		
			ANPP	2		

			AA	3		
			CDC	1		
			CPP	2		
			NDP	1		
RE-RUN ELECTION HELD ON SATURDAY, 19TH APRIL 2008						
251	11	10,923	AC	127	2,055	PDP
			PDP	1,878		
			AA	5		
			MRDD	1		
			PAC	1		
			CPN	40		
			HDP	1		
			JP	1		
			LP	1		
252	12	4,032	AC	51	233	PDP
			PDP	170		
			CPN	3		
ELECTION HELD ON SATURDAY, 29TH MARCH 2008						
253	13	8,830	PDP	3,287	3,448	PDP
			AC	100		
			PPP	2		
			AD	25		
			ANPP	21		
			CPN	5		
			CPP	2		
			DPP	4		
			NAP	2		
254	14	19,916	PDP	12,817	13,305	PDP
			AC	173		
			LP	8		
			NNPP	37		
255	15	11,043	AC	164	8,117	PDP
			AD	3		
			CPP	8		
			PAC	1		
			PDP	7,804		
			AA	4		
			CPN	3		
			JP	24		
			DPP	59		
			CPN	2		
			ADC	2		
			ALP	4		
			APGA	18		
			APN	3		
BNPP	3					

			DA	2		
			FDP	2		
			HDP	2		
			NAP	1		
			NCP	4		
			NNDP	1		
			RPN	1		
			NEPP	1		
			NRP	1		
256	16	5,211	PDP	3,386	3,604	PDP
			AC	138		
			CPN	21		
			JP	44		
			AA	1		
			NCP	1		
			NNPP	1		
			NAP	10		
			NDP	1		
			PAC	1		
257	17	2660	AC	26	1,748	PDP
			ADC	1		
			APGA	3		
			CPN	4		
			DA	1		
			JP	7		
			NEPP	1		
			NNPP	3		
			PAC	1		
			PDP	1,699		
			NAP	2		

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S/N	POLITICAL PARTY	WARD	NO. OF VOTERS	TOTAL NO. OF VOTES CAST	NO. OF VOTES SCORED	PERCENTAGE VOTER TURN-OUT	WINNER
258	A		124,635	18,732	19	15.0 %	PDP
	AC				887		
	ARP				7		
	BNPP				0		
	CPP				3		
	JP				53		
	PDP				16,895		
	RPN				96		
	UNPD				0		
	UNPP				90		
VOID VOTES CAST FOR POLITICAL PARTIES NOT CONTESTING					481		

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S/N	POLITICAL PARTY	WARD	NO. OF VOTERS	TOTAL NO. OF VOTES CAST	NO. OF VOTES SCORED	PERCENTAGE VOTER TURN-OUT	WINNER
259	A	1	8005	464	0	5.7 %	PDP
	AC				0		
	ARP				0		
	BNPP				0		
	CPP				0		
	JP				0		
	PDP				423		
	RPN				0		
	UNPD				0		
	UNPP				3		
VOID VOTES CAST FOR POLITICAL PARTIES NOT CONTESTING					31		
260	A	2	5826	832	0		PDP
	AC				10		
	ARP				0		
	BNPP				0		
	CPP				0		
	JP				0		
PDP	760						

	RPN				0		
	UNPD				0		
	UNPP				34		
	VOID VOTES CAST FOR PARTIES NOT CONTESTING				158		
261	A	3	4863	1636	1	33.6 %	PDP
	AC				96		
	ARP				0		
	BNPP				0		
	CPP				0		
	JP				12		
	PDP				1171		
	RPN				1		
	UNPD				0		
	UNPP				2		
					VOID VOTES CAST FOR PARTIES NOT CONTESTING		
262	A	4	10,952	2232	2	20.3 %	PDP
	AC				7		
	ARP				0		
	BNPP				0		
	CPP				1		
	JP				0		
	PDP				2183		
	RPN				0		
	UNPD				4		
	UNPP				0		
					VOID VOTES CAST FOR PARTIES NOT CONTESTING		
263	A	5	6479	438	0	6.7 %	PDP
	AC				41		
	ARP				2		
	BNPP				0		
	CPP				0		
	JP				0		
	PDP				381		
	RPN				0		
	UNPD				0		
	UNPP				0		
					VOID VOTES CAST FOR PARTIES NOT CONTESTING		
264	A	6	4230	579	0	13.6 %	PDP
	AC				4		
	ARP				0		
	BNPP				0		
	CPP				0		
	JP				0		
	PDP				552		
	RPN				1		
	UNPD				0		
	UNPP				0		

	VOID VOTES CAST FOR PARTIES NOT CONTESTING				22		
265	A	7	7300	857	2	11.7 %	PDP
	AC				179		
	ARP				0		
	BNPP				0		
	CPP				0		
	JP				1		
	PDP				599		
	RPN				0		
	UNPD				0		
	UNPP				42		
	VOID VOTES CAST FOR PARTIES NOT CONTESTING				33		
266	A	8	5030	496	2	9.8 %	PDP
	AC				122		
	ARP				6		
	BNPP				0		
	CPP				0		
	JP				0		
	PDP				358		
	RPN				0		
	UNPD				0		
	UNPP				0		
	VOID VOTES CAST FOR PARTIES NOT CONTESTING				8		
267	A	9	4932	514	NIL	10.4 %	PDP
	AC				40		
	ARP				1		
	BNPP				NIL		
	CPP				1		
	JP				NIL		
	PDP				458		
	RPN				NIL		
	UNPD				NIL		
	UNPP				3		
	VOID VOTES CAST FOR PARTIES NOT CONTESTING				11		
268	A	10	13,920	1083	NIL	7.7 %	PDP
	AC				4		
	ARP				NIL		
	BNPP				NIL		
	CPP				NIL		
	JP				7		
	PDP				1072		
	RPN				NIL		
	UNPD				NIL		
	UNPP				NIL		
	VOID VOTES CAST FOR PARTIES NOT CONTESTING				7		

269	A	11	9602	405	3	4.2 %	PDP				
	AC				119						
	ARP				0						
	BNPP				0						
	CPP				0						
	JP				0						
	PDP				278						
	RPN				0						
	UNPD				0						
	UNPP				0						
VOID VOTES CAST FOR PARTIES NOT CONTESTING					5						
270	A	12	3897	800	0	PDP					
	AC				33						
	ARP				NIL						
	BNPP				NIL						
	CPP				1						
	JP				743						
	PDP				0						
	RPN				0						
	UNPD				0						
	UNPP				0						
VOID VOTES CAST FOR PARTIES NOT CONTESTING					21						
271	A	13	8880	779	1	8.7 %	PDP				
	AC				24						
	ARP				0						
	BNPP				0						
	CPP				0						
	JP				0						
	PDP				743						
	A				14					0	PDP
	AC									0	
	ARP									0	
BNPP	0										
CPP	0										
JP	7										
PDP	3066										
RPN	0										
UNPD	0										
UNPP	0										
VOID VOTES CAST FOR PARTIES NOT CONTESTING					72						
272	A	15	11,366	3341	7	29.3 %	PDP				
	AC				75						
	ARP				0						
	BNPP				0						
	CPP				32						
	JP				3031						
	PDP				94						
	RPN				0						

	UNPD				0		
	UNPP				7		
	VOID VOTES CAST FOR PARTIES NOT CONTESTING				95		
273	A	16	4803	501	0	10.4 %	PDP
	AC				55		
	ARP				0		
	BNPP				0		
	CPP				0		
	JP				0		
	PDP				412		
	RPN				0		
	UNPD				0		
	UNPP				0		
	VOID VOTES CAST FOR POLITICAL PARTIES NOT CONTESTING				43		
274	A	17	2806	709	0	25.2 %	PDP
	AC				0		
	ARP				0		
	BNPP				0		
	CPP				0		
	JP				660		
	PDP				0		
	RPN				0		
	UNPD				0		
	UNPP				0		
	VOID VOTES CAST FOR POLITICAL PARTIES NOT CONTESTING				49		

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MARCH 6, 2010 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
OGBA / EGBEMA /NDONI LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTIONS SCORES SUMMARY

S/N	POLITICAL PARTY	WARD	NO. OF VOTERS	TOTAL NO. OF VOTES CAST	VOTES SCORED	PERCENTAGE VOTER TURN-OUT	WINNER
275	MDJ	1	8005	444	0	5.5 %	PDP
	MRDD				0		
	NAC				1		
	NAP				1		
	PDP				345		
	PRP				59		
VOID VOTES CAST FOR POLITICAL PARTIES NOT CONTESTING					38		
276	ADC	2	5826	883	0	15.1 %	PDP
	APN				2		
	LP				28		
	MRDD				1		
	NAP				25		
	NNPP				9		
	NSDP				0		
	PDP				722		
	PRP				47		
VOID VOTES CAST FOR POLITICAL PARTIES NOT CONTESTING					49		
277	A	3	7300	902	1	12.3%	PDP
	AC				389		
	ARP				0		
	BNPP				2		
	CPP				0		
	JP				20		
	PDP				2		
	RPN				0		
	UNPD				0		
	UNPP				0		
VOID VOTES CAST FOR POLITICAL PARTIES NOT CONTESTING					206		
278	PDP	4	10,952	2235	2204	20.4%	PDP
	PMP				0		
	ND				0		
	JP				4		
	RPN				1		
	UNPP				1		
VOID VOTES CAST FOR					24		

	POLITICAL PARTIES NOT CONTESTING						
279	PAC				0	6.6%	PDP
	NMPP				0		
	AC				46		
	ADC	5	6479	433	0		
	PDP				373		
	VOID VOTES CAST FOR POLITICAL PARTIES NOT CONTESTING				14		
280	PDP				555	13%	PDP
	LP	6	4230	582	15		
	HDP				3		
	RPN				1		
	VOID VOTES CAST FOR POLITICAL PARTIES NOT CONTESTING				8		
281	A				1	12.3%	PDP
	AC				389		
	AD				0		
	ARP				2		
	BNPP				0		
	DPP				20		
	HDP	7	7300	902	2		
	MDJ				0		
	NAP				0		
	ND				0		
	NSDP				0		
	PDP				413		
	PMP				0		
	UNPP				50		
	VOID VOTES CAST FOR POLITICAL PARTIES NOT CONTESTING				25		
282	AC				98	9.9%	PDP
	ALP				0		
	DPP	8	5030	498	1		
	HDP				0		
	PDP				393		
	PRP				6		
	VOID VOTES CAST FOR POLITICAL PARTIES NOT CONTESTING				8		
283	PDP				460	10.4%	PDP
	AA				0		
	UDP	9	4932	515	0		
	PPP				0		
	AC				38		
	VOID VOTES CAST FOR POLITICAL PARTIES NOT CONTESTING				17		

284	ACPN	10	13,920	1046	0	7.5%	PDP
	PDP				1031		
285	AC	11	9602	433	113	4.5%	PDP
	PDP				287		
	PPP				0		
VOID VOTES CAST FOR POLITICAL PARTIES NOT CONTESTING					33		
286	AC	12	3897	725	34	18.6 %	PDP
	LDPN				19		
	PDP				653		
VOID VOTES CAST FOR POLITICAL PARTIES NOT CONTESTING					19		
287	PDP	13	8830	UNOPPOSED			PDP
288	PDP	14	19,916	UNOPPOSED			PDP
289	PDP	15	11,043	UNOPPOSED			PDP
290	ACD	16	4803	642	32	13.3%	PDP
	FDP				1		
	LDPN				0		
	LP				32		
	RPN				0		
	PDP				520		
VOID VOTES CAST FOR POLITICAL PARTIES NOT CONTESTING					24		
291	PDP	17	2806	837	796	29.8 %	PDP
	CPN				8		
	ACPN				0		
	ARP				0		
VOID VOTES CAST FOR PARTIES NOT CONTESTING					33		

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OGU/BOLO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
CHAIRMANSHIP CANDIDATES SCORE SUMMARY**

S/NO	WARD	NO OF REG. VOTERS	PARTY	SCORE	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
292	CHAIRMANSHIP	67,608	PDP	23,603	28,777	PDP
			AC	3,272		
			DPP	180		
			CPN	260		
			DA	5		
			PAC	22		
			NRP	1		
			ANPP	1		
			MMN	1		
			NNPP	1		
			NSDP	1		
			RPN	1		
			MRDD	1		
AA	13					

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COUNCILLORSHIP CANDIDATES SCORE SUMMARY**

S/NO	WARD	NO OF REG. VOTERS	PARTY	SCORE	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
293	1	5795	PDP	2915	3852	PDP
			ACPN	2		
			AC	268		
			AD	206		
			LP	1		
			AA	2		
			CD	1		
			CPN	7		
			ADC	15		
			DPA	113		
			DPP	1		
294	2	5752	PDP	3880	5095	PDP
			AC	927		
			AD	110		
			DPP	178		
295	3	9247	PDP	3508	4129	PDP
			AC	252		
			ADC	1		
			CPN	5		
			ACPN	15		

			CPP	1		
			DA	1		
			PAC	2		
			AD	245		
			DPP	5		
296	4	4857	PDP	1779	1939	PDP
			CDC	1		
			CPN	8		
			PAC	1		
			ADC	1		
			MRDD	6		
			PPP	1		
			AC	132		
			AD	10		
297	5	5349	PDP	1986	2261	PDP
			AC	254		
			CPN	5		
RE-RUN HELD ON APRIL 19, 2008						
298	6	4094	AC	128	2444	PDP
			PDP	2266		
			AD	35		
			BNPP	1		
			CPP	12		
			ANPP	1		
			NNPP	1		
299	7	12791	PDP	589	660	PDP
			AC	53		
			DA	1		
			DPN	3		
			DMP	3		
			AA	9		
			CPN	2		
300	8	8010	PDP	2350	3072	PDP
			AC	8		
			CPN	14		
			ACPN	1		
301	9	5027	PDP	1298	1498	PDP
			AA	1		
			AC	182		
			CDC	2		
			CPN	20		
			PAC	3		
			NAC	1		
			NAP	1		

302	10	4652	PDP	2723	3107	PDP
			AC	370		
			AD	4		
			CPN	4		
			CPP	3		
			NAC	1		
			PAC	1		
			CPM	1		
303	11	3991	PDP	357	527	PDP
			AC	42		
			CDC	108		
304	12	3449	PDP	1876	1974	PDP
			AC	33		
			AD	1		
			PPP	2		
			PAC	2		
			CPN	3		
			PSP	2		

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OKIRIKA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
SUMMARY OF CHAIRMANSHIP ELECTION RESULT**

S/NO.	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTIES	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
305	CHAIR	67,171	PDP	34,613	42,285	PDP
			AC	1,597		
			ADC	1,772		
			CPN	47		
			DPP	97		
			NDP	2		
			RPN	3225		
			AA	4		
			ANPP	639		
			APGA	1		
			PAC	6		
			NAD	1		
			UDP	77		
			CPP	2		
			ACPN	NIL		
			NMDP	2		
			PSP	NIL		
			AD	62		
			NUP	2		
			HDP	8		
			PPP	4		
			ANP	1		
			ARP	1		
BNPP	1					
LP	118					
DA	NIL					
ALP	3					

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OKIRIKA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
SUMMARY OF COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTION RESULT**

S/NO.	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTIES	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
306	1	6,472	AA	21	3,268	PDP
			AC	257		
			AD	4		
			ADC	219		
			ANPP	36		
			CPN	29		
			DPP	112		
			NDP	5		
			ALP	1		
			HDP	2		
			RPN	62		
			PDP	2,421		
			PAC	1		
			APGA	97		
			NAP	1		
307	2	11,113	AC	524	5,776	PDP
			DPP	29		
			PDP	4,157		
			RPN	888		
			ADC	116		
			CPN	5		
			ACPN	4		
			ANPP	50		
			NDP	1		
			PSP	1		
			UDP	1		
			308	3		
RPN	143					
AC	11					
AD	1					
ADC	2					
NCP	1					
PAC	2					
PSP	11					
NAC	2					
HDP	3					
ANPP	13					
NSDP	1					

309	4	3,560	AC	110	988	PDP
			ADC	194		
			PDP	603		
			RPN	78		
			DPP	2		
			CPN	1		
310	5	7,745	AC	504	4,646	PDP
			ADC	236		
			ANPP	230		
			LP	279		
			PDP	2,410		
			RPN	935		
			BNPP	1		
			HDP	4		
			AA	2		
			ACPN	4		
			PSP	3		
			CPN	13		
			DPP	1		
			NEPP	1		
			AD	20		
			PAC	1		
PPP	2					
311	6	13,094	AC	234	12,560	PDP
			ADC	339		
			ANPP	557		
			PDP	11,105		
			RPN	318		
			DPP	2		
			APN	1		
			CPN	2		
			CPP	1		
			PAC	1		
312	7	2,521	AA	4	1,991	PDP
			AC	261		
			ADC	140		
			PDP	1,306		
			RPN	177		
			AD	64		
			CPN	3		
			DPP	8		
			ANPP	14		
			PAC	14		

313	8	4,289	AC	898	2,261	PDP
			PDP	1,138		
			RPN	150		
			ADC	34		
			DPP	18		
			APN	13		
			PAC	1		
			CPN	8		
			DA	1		
314	9	3,850	ADC	15	2,403	PDP
			PDP	1,726		
			RPN	424		
			AD	220		
			ANPP	1		
			AC	4		
			ALP	6		
			CPN	1		
			DPP	6		
315	10	1,540	AC	129	1,509	PDP
			ANPP	17		
			PDP	1,182		
			RPN	79		
			PSP	32		
			ADC	13		
			NDP	18		
			DPP	36		
			AD	3		
316	11	2,546	AC	26	2,181	PDP
			ADC	14		
			ANPP	221		
			PDP	1,809		
			RPN	95		
			AD	16		
RE-RUN ELECTION APRIL 19TH 2008						
317	12	3,706	PDP	863	926	PDP
			AC	49		
			AD	4		
			DPP	2		
			NAP	1		
			CPN	1		
			PAC	5		
			RPN	1		

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OMUMA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
SUMMARY OF CHAIRMANSHIP ELECTIONS RESULT**

S/NO	WARD	NO OF REG. VOTERS	PARTY	SCORE	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
318	CHAIR	29,927	PDP	13,380	15,392	PDP
			AC	1946		
			AD	2		
			ANPP	1		
			LP	6		
			DPP	1		
			CPN	23		
			NDP	1		
			CPC	2		
			PAC	29		
AA	1					

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OMUMA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
SUMMARY OF COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTION RESULT**

S/NO	WARD	NO OF REG. VOTERS	PARTY	SCORE	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
319	1	3700	PDP	730	1098	PDP
			AC	176		
			CPN	7		
			ANPP	1		
			AA	2		
RE-RUN HELD ON APRIL 19, 2008						
320	2	4009	PDP	1414	1625	PDP
			AC	177		
			PAC	2		
			CPN	8		
			CDC	1		
			AA	1		
			DA	1		
			DPP	1		
			NAP	1		
RE-RUN HELD ON APRIL 19, 2008						
321	3	5434	AC	366	2813	
			PDP	2438		
			PAC	1		
			PSA	1		
			CPH	1		
			NAC	1		
			NAP	1		

			CPN	4		
322	4	2469	PDP	1411	1519	PDP
			AC	108		
323	5	3354	PDP	767	1159	PDP
			AC	333		
			PPP	1		
			CPN	14		
324	6	3235	PDP	2307	2339	PDP
			AC	5		
			AD	2		
			LP	6		
			DPP	1		
RE-RUN HELD ON APRIL 19, 2008						
325	7	3636	AC	151	1623	PDP
			PDP	1470		
			CPN	1		
			AA	1		
326	8	2766	PDP	1108	1327	PDP
			AC	206		
			DPP	1		
			PAC	1		
			AL	1		
			CPN	10		
327	9	3684	PDP	3035	3063	PDP
			AC	26		
			PAL	1		
			PAC	1		
328	10	4388	PDP	1698	2249	PDP
			AC	551		

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OPOBO/NKORO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
CHAIRMANSHIP ELECTIONS SCORES SUMMARY**

S/NO.	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	VOTES OBTAINED	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
CONCLUDED ON SATURDAY, 10TH MAY 2008						
329		41,011	AA	3	24,909	PDP
			AC	1,093		
			ACD	1		
			ACPN	6		
			AD	10		
			ANPP	1		
			APGA	4		
			CDC	2		
			CPN	15		
			DA	23		
			DPP	6		
			LP	25		
			MMN	1		
			NAC	3		
			NDP	10		
			NMDP	10		
			NRP	3		
			PAC	1		
PDP	23,461					
PPP	11					
RPN	129					
UDP	91					

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OPOBO/NKORO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTIONS SCORES SUMMARY**

S/NO.	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	VOTES OBTAINED	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
330	1 Kalaibama	3,189	AC	151	2,701	PDP
			APGA	4		
			APN	1		
			ANPP	1		
			CPN	7		
			CPP	1		
			JP	1		
			NDP	1		
			PDP	2528		
			PPP	1		
			RPN	4		
MAY 10, 2008 LOCAL GOV'T COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTION RE-RUN						
331	2 Kalaibama	1,233	AC	5	359	PDP
			ACPN	4		
			APN	3		
			DA	31		
			NCP	3		
			PDP	313		
332	3 Diepri	1869	AC	135	955	PDP
			PDP	820		
333	4 Ukonu	1682	NDP	0	125	PDP
			PDP	125		
MARCH 29, 2008 LOCAL GOV'T COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTION						
334	4 Ukonu	1,682	AC	163	1,256	PDP
			CPN	3		
			NAC	2		
			PAC	1		
			PDP	1079		
			RPN	8		
MAY 10, 2008 LOCAL GOV'T COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTION RE-RUN						
335	5	3342	AC	20	417	PDP
			PDP	397		
336	6	4187	AA	21	2379	PDP
			AC	110		
			AD	11		
			ADC	1		
			DPP	5		
			NDP	10		
			NMDP	10		

			PAC	1		
			PDP	2200		
337	7	10,801	AC	144	6,824	PDP
			DA	2		
			LP	26		
			PDP	6498		
			RPN	68		
			UDP	86		
MARCH 29,2008 LOCAL GOV'T COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTION						
338	8 Queen's Town	1,912	AC	21	1,861	PDP
			AD	8		
			ADC	1		
			CPN	9		
			PDP	1822		
339	9 Nkoro	3,068	AC	51	2,629	PDP
			AD	1		
			CPN	1		
			DA	1		
			FDP	1		
			NEPP	2		
			PDP	2569		
			PSP	3		
340	10 Nkoro	7,232	AC	119	4,457	PDP
			AD	1		
			DA	10		
			PDP	4327		
341	11 Nkoro	659	AA	1	500	PDP
			AC	25		
			CDC	1		
			CPN	2		
			LP	NCP		
			NCP	1		
			NRP	2		
			PDP	371		

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19 APRIL 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
OYIGBO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
CHAIRMANSHIP ELECTIONS SCORES SUMMARY**

S/N	Ward	No of Reg. Voters	Political Parties	Scores	Total Votes cast	Winner
342	CHAIRMAN	47,977	AD	1	17,801	PDP
			AC	4166		
			APGA	89		
			AA	29		
			PPA	1		
			CDC	1		
			DA	1		
			CPN	114		
			APN	5		
			PAC	2		
			CPP	18		
			PDP	13,246		
			NAP	4		
			LP	12		
			MRDD	2		
			JP	2		
			ANPP	28		
NCP	23					
PMP	1					
ADC	2					
ACPN	53					
LDPN	1					

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19 APRIL 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
OYIGBO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTIONS SCORES SUMMARY**

S/N	WARD	NO OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTIES	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
343	1	2,986	AC	2	54	PDP
			APGA	2		
			CPN	1		
			PDP	47		
			JP	2		
344	2	6,143	AC	7	1,328	PDP
			PDP	1,320		
			CPP	1		
345	3	11,905	PDP	4109	4,897	PDP
			UDP	648		
			PAC	125		
			AC	11		
			APGA	1		

			MRDD	1		
			CPN	1		
			Rejected vote	1		
346	4	4,915	PPA	7	3,889	PDP
			APGA	2		
			PDP	3849		
			AC	21		
			Rejected vote	10		
347	5	1,610	AC	41	408	PDP
			PAC	1		
			CPN	1		
			PDP	292		
			Rejected vote	73		
348	6	6,269	PDP	2797	3,012	PDP
			AC	212		
			APGA	1		
			CPN	1		
			PAC	1		
RETURNED UNOPPOSED BEING THE ONLY CANDIDATE NOMINATED AT THE CLOSE OF NOMINATIONS						
349	7	2,667	PDP		UNOPPOSED	PDP
350	8	2,660	AC	39	296	PDP
			CPN	7		
			PDP	235		
			APGA	4		
			CPP	1		
			ACPN	1		
			AD	1		
			PPP	1		
			Rejected votes	7		
			351	9		
CPN	9					
PDP	632					
APGA	31					
CPP	1,444					
JP	10					
CDC	1					
PAC	2					
AA	1					
NAP	3					
LDPN	1					
PPP	1					
Rejected votes	56					
352	10	1,177			PDP	1100
			AC	39		
			CPP	30		

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MARCH 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
PORT HARCOURT CITY LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
CHAIRMANSHIP ELECTIONS SCORES SUMMARY**

S/N	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
353	285,282	PDP	10,023	11,283	PDP
		AC	500		
		AD	30		
		ANPP	212		
		PAC	05		
		AL	07		
		ACP	03		
		ALP	05		
		APGA	04		
		ADC	234		
		ACP	NIL		
		DPP	49		
		CPN	32		
		RPN	06		
		ACCORD	01		
		PRP	02		
		NDP	01		
		HOPE	112		
		PPA	05		
		LABOUR	06		
		NRP	02		
		AA	10		
		ACPN	03		
		CDC	06		
		PAC	05		
		NCP	02		
		NAP	00		
		UNPP	01		
		CNPP	02		
		NMDP	07		
		CPP	11		
		DA	03		
		PPP	03		
MMN	00				
CP	00				
NNPP	09				
ND	01				
JP	02				
BNPP	02				
NAC	01				
FDP	01				
NEPP	01				

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MARCH 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
PORT HARCOURT CITY LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTIONS SCORES SUMMARY**

S/No.	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
354	1	10,524	PDP	291	304	PDP
			AC	09		
			AD	02		
			OTHERS	NIL		
355	2	15,876	AC	42	1,463	PDP
			CPN	32		
			HOPE	16		
			NCP	32		
			NMDP	11		
			PDP	1314		
			FRESH	02		
			OTHERS	NIL		
356	3	2,425	PDP	160	385	PDP
			AC	170		
			ANPP	80		
			HOPE	28		
			ADC	0		
357	4	18,324	AC	89	159	AC
			CPP	06		
			PDP	59		
			ANPP	01		
			APGA	01		
			HOPE	02		
			FRESH	0		
			JP	01		
			NAP	0		
358	5	18,861	PDP	199	255	PDP
			AC	28		
			ANPP	06		
			NDP	06		
			OTHERS	09		
359	6	20,799	AC	33	129	PDP
			ADC	09		
			ANPP	14		
			DPP	06		
			LP	10		
			PDP	55		
			PPA	02		
			RPN	0		
			JP	0		
360	7	28,527	AC	10	90	PDP
			ADC	05		
			PDP	68		

			HOPE	02		
			RPN	01		
			OTHERS	4		
361	8	8084	PDP	111	271	ANPP
			AC	06		
			PPP	01		
			PSP	0		
			DPP	0		
			ADC	0		
			ANPP	137		
			AD	01		
			HDP	10		
			ALP	01		
			362	9		
AD	18					
ANPP	14					
PDP	179					
NCP	01					
HDP	04					
AC	0					
RE-RUN 19/04/2010						
363	10	25,564	AC	15	1,082	PDP
			PDP	939		
			RPN	05		
			AA	01		
			NDP	02		
			PPA	04		
			HDP	02		
			OTHERS	07		
364	11	8,454	AC	18	243	PDP
			PDP	218		
			NDP	03		
			ANPP	03		
			OTHERS	01		
365	12	8,070	AC	02	98	PDP
			PDP	88		
			ADC	06		
			NMDP	01		
			HDP	01		
			NAP	0		
366	13	8,229	AC	05	432	PDP
			PDP	423		
			ADC	01		
			APGA	02		
			CPN	01		
367	14	4,550	ADC	06	153	PDP
			HDP	06		
			PDP	95		
			DPP	08		
			NMDP	07		
			AC	02		

			OTHERS	NIL		
368	15	5,959	AC	06	778	PDP
			ADC	03		
			PDP	767		
			CPN	01		
			ANPP	01		
			HDP	01		
369	16	6,477	ADC	NIL	629	PDP
			DPP	NIL		
			PDP	742		
			AC	02		
			OTHERS	06		
370	17	5,616	AC	33	629	PDP
			PDP	574		
			ADC	06		
			PAC	07		
			NRP	01		
			OTHERS	03		
371	18	11,141	AC	09	1,040	PDP
			PDP	1005		
			ADC	06		
			APGA	07		
			OTHERS	13		
			AC	06		
			ANPP	02		
			OTHERS	04		
RE- RUN ELECTION HELD ON SATURDAY, 19/04/2008						
372	19	27,650	PDP	924	949	PDP
			ADC	13		
			AC	06		
			PPP	01		
			PAC	01		
			RPN	01		
			DPP	02		
			NCP	01		
RE- RUN ELECTION HELD ON SATURDAY, 19/04/2008						
373	20	41,521	AA	03	646	PDP
			AC	114		
			ADC	01		
			ANPP	86		
			CPN	13		
			HDP	08		
			DPP	69		
			PAC	02		
			PDP	327		
			NPP	15		
			AP	01		

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MARCH 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
TAI LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
SUMMARY OF CHAIRMANSHIP ELECTIONS RESULT**

S/NO	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
374	CHAIRMANSHIP	55285	AC	843	32327	PDP
			APGA	75		
			ANPP	167		
			DPP	489		
			JP	602		
			NDP	69		
			PDP	28854		
			PPP	936		
			UDP	292		

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MARCH 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
TAI LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
SUMMARY OF COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTIONS RESULT**

S/NO	WARD	NO. OF REG. VOTERS	POLITICAL PARTY	SCORES	TOTAL VOTES CAST	WINNER
375	1	5811	AC	362	4396	PDP
			ANPP	2		
			DPP	4		
			JP	180		
			NDP	9		
			PDP	3794		
			PPP	4		
			PSP	41		
RE-RUN ELECTION OF SATURDAY 10TH MAY, 2008						
376	2	8410	AA	2	877	PDP
			AC	26		
			PAC	2		
			PDP	843		
			PPP	1		
			UDP	3		
377	3	4486	AC	55	4299	PDP
			JP	70		
			NNPP	1		
			PDP	4173		
378	4	13259	AC	170	11404	PDP
			ANPP	40		
			APGA	46		
			DPP	422		
			JP	316		
			NDP	54		
			PDP	9633		
			PPP	599		
			UDP	124		
379	5	3538	AC	58	3245	PDP
			ANPP	67		
			APGA	6		
			DPP	38		
			JP	29		
			LDPN	5		
			NDP	5		
			PDP	2835		
			PPP	103		
UDP	99					
370	6	2456	AC	28	1782	PDP
			ANPP	30		
			APGA	1		
			CPN	1		
			DPP	20		

			JP	90		
			NDP	4		
			NNPP	8		
			PDP	1446		
			PPP	141		
			RPN	5		
			UDP	8		
381	7	6033	AA	3	4353	PDP
			AC	112		
			ANPP	2		
			APGA	8		
			CPN	4		
			DPP	82		
			JP	39		
			MRDD	39		
			NDP	6		
			PAC	5		
			PDP	3957		
			PPP	47		
			UDP	49		
RE-RUN ELECTION OF SATURDAY 19TH APRIL, 2008						
382	8	4338	AC	130	3690	PDP
			AD	50		
			APGA	22		
			CPN	1		
			NCP	19		
			PAC	1		
			PDP	3466		
RE-RUN ELECTION OF SATURDAY 19TH APRIL, 2008						
383	9	3344	AC	133	4396	PDP
			ADP	12		
			ANPP	90		
			APGA	50		
			DPP	72		
			JP	78		
			LP	6		
			NDP	101		
			PAC	1		
			PDP	1317		
			PPP	30		
RE-RUN ELECTION OF SATURDAY 19TH APRIL, 2008						
384	10	2361	AC	173	1104	PDP
			PDP	931		

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2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
STATUS REPORT AS AT 19TH APRIL 2008**

S/NO	CHAIRMAN			COUNCILLOR		REMARKS
	LOCAL GOVT AREA	ELECTED	OUTSTANDING	ELECTED	OUTSTANDING	
1.	ABUA/ ODUAL	1	-	13	-	CONCLUDED
2	AHOADA-EAST	-	1	6	7	WARDS 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 13 OUTSTANDING
3	AHOADA-WEST	1	-	11	1	WARD 11 OUTSTANDING
4	AKULGA	1	-	17	-	CONCLUDED
5	ANDONI	-	1	4	7	WARDS 5, 6, 7, 8, 9,10, 11 OUTSTANDING
6	ASALGA	1	-	13	-	CONCLUDED
7	BONNY	1	-	11	1	WARDS 10 OUTSTANDING
8	DEGEMA	-	1	14	3	WARDS 12, 15,16, OUTSTANDING
9	ELEME	1	-	10	-	CONCLUDED
10	EMOHUA	1	-	13	1	WARD 8 OUTSTANDING
11	ETCHE	1	-	19	-	CONCLUDED
12	GOKANA	1	-	17	-	CONCLUDED
13	IKWERRE	1	-	13	-	CONCLUDED
14	KHANA	1	-	19	-	CONCLUDED
15	OBIO/AKPOR	1	-	17	-	CONCLUDED
16	ONLEGA	1	-	17	-	CONCLUDED
17	OGU/BOLO	1	-	12	-	CONCLUDED
18	OKIRIKA	1	-	12	-	CONCLUDED
19	OMUMA	1	-	10	-	CONCLUDED
20	OPOBO/NKORO	-	1	6	5	WARD 2, 3, 5, 6, 7 OUTSTANDING
21	OYIGBO	1	-	9	1	WARD 7 OUTSTANDING
22	PHALGA	1	-	20	-	CONCLUDED
23	TAI	1	-	9	1	WARD 2 OUTSTANDING

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2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
STATUS REPORT AS AT 10TH MAY 2008**

S/NO	CHAIRMAN			COUNCILLOR		REMARKS
	LOCAL GOVT AREA	ELECTED	OUTSTANDING	ELECTED	OUTSTANDING	
1.	ABUA/ ODUAL	1	-	13	-	CONCLUDED
2	AHOADA-EAST	1	-	11	2	WARDS 6 AND 7 OUTSTANDING
3	AHOADA-WEST	1	-	12	-	CONCLUDED
4	AKULGA	1	-	17	-	CONCLUDED
5	ANDONI	1	-	10	1	WARD 5 OUTSTANDING
6	ASALGA	1	-	13	-	CONCLUDED
7	BONNY	1	-	12	-	CONCLUDED
8	DEGEMA	-	1	14	3	WARDS 12, 15,16, OUTSTANDING
9	ELEME	1	-	10	-	CONCLUDED
10	EMOHUA	1	-	13	1	WARD 8 OUTSTANDING
11	ETCHE	1	-	19	-	CONCLUDED
12	GOKANA	1	-	17	-	CONCLUDED
13	IKWERRE	1	-	13	-	CONCLUDED
14	KHANA	1	-	19	-	CONCLUDED
15	OBIO/AKPOR	1	-	17	-	CONCLUDED
16	ONLEGA	1	-	17	-	CONCLUDED
17	OGU/BOLO	1	-	12	-	CONCLUDED
18	OKIRIKA	1	-	12	-	CONCLUDED
19	OMUMA	1	-	10	-	CONCLUDED
20	OPOBO/NKORO	1	-	11	-	CONCLUDED
21	OYIGBO	1	-	10	-	CONCLUDED
22	PHALGA	1	-	20	-	CONCLUDED
23	TAI	1	-	10	-	CONCLUDED

LIST OF ELECTED LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, 2008.

L. G. A: ABUA /ODUAL

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	ODU UDI	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Akeuloghonaan Addi A.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two (2)	David Umor	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three (3)	Mubula S. Eke	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four (4)	Itoemugh Okurugbo	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five (5)	Benson Omeraam	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six (6)	Akeodi Ekpe	M	Peoples Democratic Party
	Itole Zacchaeus <i>Elected at a Bye-election held on Saturday, 6 March 2010, following the death of the Councillor elected in 2008</i>	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven (7)	Peter Gabriel	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight (8)	Goodlive Amiofori	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine (9)	Robinson Okpara	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten (10)	Igoni Suoye	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eleven (11)	Ominini B. A. Walson	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Twelve (12)	Azua T. Elohom	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Thirteen (13)	Gift Arugu	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A: AHOADA-EAST

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	CASSIDY O. IKEGBIDI	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Kingsley Ben Okorji	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two (2)	Owuze Amah	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three (3)	Thankgod Dabbs Ideozu	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four (4)	Abuba Evans Ochomas	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five (5)	Oseja Ameshi C.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six (6)	LoveGod Nmeze	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven (7)	Bright Nelson	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight (8)	Oguzor Ndubuisi	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine (9)	Alali Pedro I.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten (10)	Friday Ejimaji	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eleven (11)	Meshack Henry	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Twelve (12)	Robinson W. Robinson <i>Bright Okorogba</i>	M	Peoples Democratic Party
	<i>Elected at a re-run election held 14 August 2010 as a result of the nullification of the 2008 election</i>	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Thirteen (13)	Jerry Thompson	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A:

AHOADA-WEST

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	AWORI MILLER	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Ogbe B. Oyonmobuen	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two (2)	Karibo Wilson Karibo	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three (3)	David Ikiengo Agamini	M	African Renaissance Party
Four (4)	Moses Jeremiah	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five (5)	Melford Ezebalike	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six (6)	Emenike Fineboy	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven (7)	Esor Faith Prince	F	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight (8)	Anyike Michael Ebenezer	M	Action Congress
	Macmillian Ogbonna <i>Elected at a re-run election held 14 August 2010 as a result of the nullification of the 2008 election</i>	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine (9)	Osungwor Iyeumane B. S.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten (10)	Isaac Itigwe	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eleven (11)	Eze N. Ogechi	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Twelve (12)	Okpokiri O. Okpokiri	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A:

AKUKU-TORU

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	PAUL AWOYESUKU	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Arerite Orugbani <i>Tribunal nullified the first election</i>	F	Peoples Democratic Party
	Emmanuel S. Bob-manuel <i>Elected in re-run election.</i>	M	Action Congress
	Bobmanuel A. Davidson <i>Tribunal nullified the first election</i>	M	Action Congress
Two (2)	Bob-manuel Asikiye Davidson <i>Elected in re-run election.</i>	M	Action Congress
	Isoboye Graham-Douglas I.	M	African Renaissance Party
Three (3)	Dabo Briggs	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four (4)	Victor Dagogo-Jack	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five (5)	Aboiya-a Bob-Fubara	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six (6)	Tombodia Frank	M	Nigeria Elements Progressive Party
Seven (7)	Tonye Granville	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight (8)	Iselema Darego	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine (9)	Donald Diepreye Douglas	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten (10)	Major Jack	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eleven (11)	Awolaye Mettle Jack	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Twelve (12)			

Thirteen (13)	Lawrence Kelly Jack	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Fourteen (14)	Macphalin Walson Agu	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Fifteen (15)	Anthonia Dan	F	Peoples Democratic Party
Sixteen (16)	Gibson Ibiba Obene	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seventeen (17)	Precious Jeremiah	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A: ANDONI

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	Felix Ayayi	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Ereforokuma Nteineyem Nte	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two (2)	Esukuile , Regina J. Election was nullified by the Election Tribunal. Re-run held. Eli Power <i>Elected at a Re-run election held on 08/11/2008 following the nullification of the election of 29th March 2009.</i>	F M	Action Party of Nigeria Peoples Democratic Party
Three (3)	Eneot-U Robert Rogers	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four (4)	Elijah Ntiero T.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five (5)	Jeremiah E. Arawo	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six (6)	Nteogwuile G. Lazarus	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven (7)	Dan Nsan	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight (8)	Ogwunte S. Ejitogute	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine (9)	Alafonye Awanjinimam <u>U.</u>	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten (10)	Betinah Matthew	F	Action Party of Nigeria
Eleven (11)	Ayadeng Sampson	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A: ASARI-TORU

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	OJUKAYE FLAG AMACHREE	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Ennia George	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two (2)	Orolosama Amachree	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three (3)	Imagibo Emmanuel	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four (4)	Richard Harry	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five (5)	Honour Jackreece M. Obaye Gibson John-West <i>Elected at the bye-election held on 14th August 2010 following the death of the councillor elected in 2008</i>	M M	Peoples Democratic Party Peoples Democratic Party
Six (6)	Sobomabo Tariah	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven (7)	Dokubo Idoniboye Obu	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight (8)	Kalada Wokoma	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine (9)	Kuroma Mackson O.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten (10)	Asitona Bakare	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eleven (11)	Henry Ibaje E.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Twelve (12)	Alwell Da-Okorite	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Thirteen (13)	Obaabo Luke	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A:**BONNY**

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	EDWARD EBENEZER PEPPLE	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	David R. Irimagha	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two (2)	Martins Ezekiel Hart	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three (3)	Desmond S. Banigo	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four (4)	Boma T. Jumbo	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five (5)	Asi Attoin Jackson	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six (6)	Enenimibofori E. LongJohn	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven (7)	Abalagha Abbey	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight (8)	Rev. Maxwell A. S. Green- Jekey	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine (9)	Emmanuel O. Long-John	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten (10)	Ralph Sotonye Jamaica	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eleven (11)	Igonibo Jim Halliday	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Twelve (12)	Martins O. Argo	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A:**DEGEMA**

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	ABIYE DAVIES	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Tonye Bright	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two (2)	Taribo Benson	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three (3)	Obomate Berepigi	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four (4)	Hellen Theophilus Braide	F	Peoples Democratic Party
Five (5)	Iboroma Omuboye Samuel	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six (6)	Iminabo P. Nonji	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven (7)	Tubo-Soba Fubara	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight (8)	Experience Douglas	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine (9)	Opubo Dick	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten (10)	Esenegoabo I. Opuoyibo	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eleven (11)	Harry H. Hans	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Twelve (12)	Valentine Moses	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Thirteen (13)	Inume Thankgod	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Fourteen (14)	Harry Berenbo	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Fifteen (15)	Fedelia Oruene	F	Peoples Democratic Party
Sixteen (16)	Boma Dappa Renner	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seventeen (17)	Onengiye Pokubo	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A:**ELEME**

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	OJI N. NGOFA	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Onungwe Abbey	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two (2)	Obuzor Augustus Nweke	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three (3)	Eson Akarada	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four (4)	Temple Amba	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five (5)	John M. Ngelale	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six (6)	Christian Mbie	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven (7)	Okaka Tetenwi	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight (8)	Ngei Chu	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine (9)	Emmanuel Oluka	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten (10)	Abbey Chu Obo	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A:**EMOHUA**

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	CHUKWUEMEKA WOKE	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Kennigton Onyekwere	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two (2)	Nmehielle Abuchy Lawrence	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three (3)	Nnamdi Goodluck	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four (4)	Adolphus Adonice	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five (5)	Oliver Onyegbule	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six (6)	Wokea Emmanuel G.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven (7)	Princewill Nwovueze G.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight (8)	John Joseph	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine (9)	Bryce Igwe	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten (10)	Uchendu Dimkpa	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eleven (11)	Nmah Kenneth W.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Twelve (12)	Nwaneri Uchechukwu	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Thirteen (13)	Ndubuisi Emman-Wori	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Fourteen (14)	Ogu Ahmed	M	Peoples Democratic Party
	Wogbo ThankGod Ogwu <i>Returned unopposed in the bye-election held on 14th August 2010 following the death of the Councilor elected in 2008</i>	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A:**ETCHE**

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	NWUZI EPHRAIM	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Micheal Nwankwo	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two (2)	Amadi Innocent Uchenna	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three (3)	Anucha Stephen	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four (4)	Kingsley Echeazu	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five (5)	Nwechem John	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six (6)	Promise Njoku	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven (7)	Cletus Njoku	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight (8)	Njoku Kenneth	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine (9)	Collins Nweke	M	Peoples Democratic Party

Ten(10)	Okere Longinus	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Even(11)	Nwokogba Eugene U.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Twelve(12)	Nwuchegbuo Blessing I.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Thirteen(13)	Christian Onwudebe	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Fourteen(14)	Barr. Reginald Ukwoma	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A:

GOKANA

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	VICTOR TOMBARI GIADOM	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Baridi Kana B.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two(2)	Vidin Sylvester	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three(3)	Kottee Johnson L.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four(4)	Justice Barima	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five(5)	John Kpalap Lekie	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six(6)	Dumiye Monday B.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven(7)	Bagadom Baridula Increase	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight(8)	Barikor ThankGod	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine(9)	Dugbo Barivule	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten(10)	Adoma Mene Niger	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Even(11)	Mr. Dornu Saakage	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Twelve(12)	Monsi John	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Thirteen(13)	Giomi Emmanuel B.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Fourteen(14)	Bagayeghe Sorbari	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Fifteen (15)	Boris Neenwii	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Sixteen (16)	Kpakorl Aleema (Mr.)	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seventeen (17)	Kpee Lekol	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A:

IKWERRE

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	KERIAN I. WOBODO	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Amadi Ngozi Lawrence	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two(2)	Amadi OnwudiweE.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three(3)	Johnson Ameki	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four(4)	Enyidah Francis Chukwuemeka	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five(5)	Orlumba-Dike Joseph Dimgba	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six(6)	Wanjoku Chinedu Samuel	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven(7)	Agada Emmanuel A.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight(8)	Enyidia Anthony	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine(9)	Harcourt Wagor	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten(10)	Nyeche Prince Lemchi	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Even(11)	Amadi Emmanuel C.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Twelve(12)	Amadi Christopher C.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
	Success Nnadi <i>Returned unopposed in the bye-election held on 14th August 2010 following the death of the Councilor elected in 2008</i>	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Thirteen(13)	Achineke Amadi	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A:

KHANA

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	GREGORY B. NWIDAM	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Zor Bariwere	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two(2)	Sipay Saturday Garrick	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three(3)	Edo Nicholas Lez	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four(4)	Sylvanus Mbebee	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five(5)	Akue Leka	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six(6)	Godson Gbarakua	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven(7)	ThankGod D. Baridam	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight(8)	Adah Patrick Dumale <i>Election nullified.</i>	M	Peoples Democratic Party
	Nkpenu Ledee Anthony <i>Certificate of Return issued in obedience to the Order of the Election Appeal Tribunal dated 4th May 2008.</i>	M	Action Congress
Nine(9)	Promise Fyne Face	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten(10)	Kirika Sunday	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Even(11)	Elsie Shadrach Nwizug	F	Peoples Democratic Party
Twelve(12)	Patience Deeka Jollyboy	F	Action Congress
Thirteen(13)	Baridor Tornwe	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Fourteen(14)	Kponee Tony R. <i>Election and Bye-election held on Saturday, 29/03 and 8/11/2008 respectively, nullified by Election Tribunal.</i>	M	Peoples Democratic Party
	Konee Kenneth Baribefii <i>Certificate of Return issued following a Court Order.</i>	M	African Renaissance Party
Fifteen (15)	Nelson Dum I-aabu	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Sixteen (16)	Micheal Torue	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seventeen (17)	Lebari Tor-ue	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eighteen (18)	Thomas Bariere	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nineteen (19)	Ebenezer B. Amadi	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A:

OBIO/AKPOR

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	NSIRIM TIMOTHY E.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Amaewhuke Martin Chike	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two(2)	Ordu Stanley Emeka	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three(3)	Gashion Agbaraka	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four(4)	Amaechi Charles Chidugam	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five(5)	Emmanuel O. E. Wodi	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six(6)	Henry Odum	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven(7)	Nwanwa Ike	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight(8)	Ogwutum Stanley Uche	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine(9)	Weli Wosu Emmanuel	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten(10)	Akaninwo Bobby Chijioke	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Even(11)	Ehule Anderson Njika	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Twelve(12)	Amamehule C. Bright	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Thirteen(13)	Chinda Ama Gift	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Fourteen(14)	Amadi Ike Godwill	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Fifteen (15)	Nyewusira N. Justine	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Sixteen (16)	Ikezam Precious	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seventeen (17)	Amaechi Prince Aruchi	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A:

OGBA/EGBEMA/NDONI

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	CHRIS OKEY OCHIJE	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Augustine A. Nwodih	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two (2)	Harcourt Amua	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three (3)	Nwabakata Amaechi Franklin	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four (4)	Awakobe Vincent	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five (5)	Ahiakwo Lucky	M	Peoples Democratic Party
	Eluozo Messiah (<i>elected at the bye-election of 13 December 2008</i>)	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six (6)	Ego Ahiakwo	F	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven (7)	Kingsley O. Nwaeze	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight (8)	Izeogu U. Alexander	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine (9)	Kenneth Avra	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten (10)	Uzah I. Douglas	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eleven (11)	Ogini Onyema	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Twelve (12)	Raymond Wokocha	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Thirteen (13)	Opene Charles Chukwuma	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Fifteen (15)	Ndubuisi Oputa	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Sixteen (16)	Hector Masi	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seventeen (17)	Chukwudi Umesi Dike	M	Peoples Democratic Party

**CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILLORS ELECTED AT THE 2010 LOCAL
GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS CONDUCTED FOLLOWING THE
DISSOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL ELECTED IN 2008**

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	Raymond Wokocha	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Lucky Ikechukwu Osoh	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two (2)	Harcourt Ikechukwu Amua (re-elected)	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three (3)	Ikechukwu Orié	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four (4)	Anwakobe Emmanuel	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five (5)	Victoria Chibuzor Adiela (Ms.)	F	Peoples Democratic Party
Six (6)	Ego Ahiakwo (re-elected)	F	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven (7)	Kingsley O. Nwaeze (re-elected)	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight (8)	Alexander U. Izeogu (re-elected)	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine (9)	Kenneth Avra (re-elected)	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten (10)	Ifeanyichukw Uzah Douglas (re-elected)	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eleven (11)	Godfrey Ogini Onyema (re-elected)	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Twelve (12)	Ugochukwu Asamah Amuda		Peoples Democratic Party
Thirteen (13)	Peter Ajie	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Fourteen (14)	Fidelis Obiosa (re-elected)	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Fifteen (15)	Ndubuisi Oputa (re-elected)	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Sixteen (16)	Hector O. Masi	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seventeen (17)	Azunna Christian Ile	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A: OGU/BOLO

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	LAWRENCE ABIEBIARI	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Marcus Anga	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two(2)	Daniel Achori Tamuno	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three(3)	Ajumbogodaka Opuda	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four(4)	Stephen Oloko	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five(5)	Lamidi Israel Tende	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six(6)	Iruenabere Tamunonengiye	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven(7)	Omineokuma Tomonitonke	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight(8)	Tamuno-Mebi E. I. Jeremiah	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine(9)	Abika Douglas	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten(10)	Jeremiah Dennis	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Even(11)	James Naphtali	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Twelve(12)	Mr. Tonye Aberenika	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A:**OKRIKA**

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	TAMUNO-BELEMA DATORU	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Levi Joseph	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two(2)	Anaye I. Batubo	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three(3)	Oba G. Emmanuel	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four(4)	Tobobenibia Gogo Nonji	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five(5)	Bamson Edward	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six(6)	Ibimina Godwill Josiah	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven(7)	Chief Israel Dike Alabo	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight(8)	Wisdom Ogam	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine(9)	Tubotamuno Samuel George	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten(10)	Fiabeme Willson	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Even(11)	Fimie Nathaniel Aprioki	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Twelve(12)	Lazarus Asifamaka	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A:**OMUMA**

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	JOHN NNAMDI ANUCHA	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Alozie Kingdim Eze	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two (2)	Ikechi Lawrence Umunakwe	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three (3)	Nwejie Austine	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four (4)	Nwala Florence	F	Peoples Democratic Party
Five (5)	Amaefule N. Mabel	F	Peoples Democratic Party
Six (6)	Nwaiwu C. Chisorom	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven (7)	London Dike	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight (8)	Agu Prince Chukwuma	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine (9)	Kelechi Johnson	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten (10)	Nkwocha C. Uzodinma	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A:**OPOBO/NKORO**

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	URANTA MACLEAN B.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Opuada Strongface	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two (2)	Opusunju G. Preye	F	Peoples Democratic Party
Three (3)	Peterside Daniel Jim	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four (4)	Wariso Adasa Henderson. Mrs. Ibim Adasa Wariso	M	Peoples Democratic Party
	<i>Elected at the bye-election held on 23 January 2010 following the death of the Councillor elected in 2008</i>	F	Peoples Democratic Party
Five (5)	Godswill Fubara	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six (6)	Justice Brown	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven (7)	Atedor Sam-Jaja	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight (8)	Peter Godwin Dappa	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine (9)	Kpokpo Benson Berewari	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten (10)	Rogers C. Ibifuro	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eleven (11)	Ezekiel M. Otuo	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A:**OYIGBO**

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	PRECIOUS E. OFORJI	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Gladys Nwagbara	F	Peoples Democratic Party
Two (2)	Ibekwem N. Okere	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three (3)	Nwator Eric	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four (4)	Gift Okere	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five (5)	Micha Richard Akarahu	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six (6)	Nwankwo Nwagbara Abraham	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven (7)	Ibe Owulo M.	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight (8)	Mr. Ernest Nworgu	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine (9)	Okorie C. Nnadozie	M	Citizens Popular Party
Ten (10)	John Nwafor	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A:**PORT HARCOURT**

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	AZUBUIKE NMERUKINI	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Promise Nyeche	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two (2)	Theophilus Akugbo	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three (3)	Princewill Atako	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four (4)	Mr. Ordinance O. Emeji	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five (5)	Fubara Fibika	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six (6)	Brown J. Ikurayeke	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven (7)	Ibiba Jackson	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight (8)	Frederick N. O. Ogbonna	M	All Nigeria Peoples Party
Nine (9)	Henry Fred Otu Agbirigba	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten (10)	Ezebunwo Justice Nnorkam	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eleven(11)	Nelson Emenike Nsiegbe	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Twelve(12)	Edison Paul	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Thirteen(13)	Enwuso Innocent Nsiegbe	M	Peoples Democratic Party
fourteen(14)	Barr. Lynda Amadi	F	Peoples Democratic Party
Fifteen(15)	Mr. Endurance Elewo	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Sixteen(16)	Kingsley Owhonda Amadi	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seventeen(17)	Hon. Chochi Amadi	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eighteen(18)	Owo Chimenem Hart	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nineteen(19)	Etitinwo Olileanya	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Twenty(20)	Precious Inimgba	M	Peoples Democratic Party

L. G. A:

TAI

WARD	NAME	SEX	POLITICAL PARTY
CHAIRMAN	MPIGI BARINADA BARRY	M	Peoples Democratic Party
One (1)	Yirakira Lucky	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Two (2)	Dickson Baride	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Three (3)	Nanbe Kpigigbue	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Four (4)	Dornubari Kabari	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Five (5)	Nkue Barika Light	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Six (6)	Sunday Golden Toba	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Seven (7)	Kone Royal Lekara	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Eight (8)	Lucky Obazi	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Nine (9)	Aroba Ntahtah Kelo	M	Peoples Democratic Party
Ten (10)	Jibala Anderson	M	Peoples Democratic Party

APPENDIX 9.1**PRE – ELECTION CASES**

S/NO	SUIT NO	PARTIES	REMARKS
1	CA/PH/470M/2007	Dr. David Ogbonna & ors	Still pending
2	CA/PH/461M/07	Action Congress	Still pending
3	CA/PH/471M/07	Dr. David Ogbonna & ors	Still pending
4	PHC/230/2008	National Democratic Party	Still pending
5	PHC/239/2008	Mr. Collins O. Briggs	Still pending
6	PHC/231/2008	Movement for Democracy and Justice	Still pending
7	PHC/287/2008	Peoples Democratic Party	Still pending
8	PHC/232/2008	National Unity Party	Still pending
9	PHC/233/2008	Peoples Mandate Party	Still pending
10	PHC/242/2008	Republican Party of Nigeria	Still pending
11	PHC/229/2008	Democratic Peoples Alliance	Struck out
12	PHC/326/2008	Ajaghadi Den Asawari	for Ruling on Jurisdiction
13	OYIIC/5/2008	Henry A. & Ors vs. Peoples Democratic Party & Ors	for Ruling on Jurisdiction
14	PHC/27/2008	Prince Bariyeia S. N	Still pending
15	PHC/342/2008	United Nigeria Peoples Party	Still pending
16	PHC/358/2008	Deacon G. F. Isaiah	Still pending
17	PHC/309/2008	Elor Friday Nwachukwu	Struck out
18	FHC/421/2008	Hon. Chinedu G. Ikwunga	Struck out
19	PHC/PH/C5/166/08	Progressive Peoples Alliance	Struck out
20	PHC/333/2008	Citizens Popular Party	Struck out
21	PHC/424/2008	Lucky Stanley Wobo	Struck out
22	PHC/415/08	Chief J. I Garrick	Still pending
23	PHC/395/2008	Letam Barizasi Tane	Struck out
24	PHC/436/2008	Action Congress	Still pending
25	PHC/429/2008	Worlu Owabie Ozihakachi	Struck out
26	PHC/427/2008	Young Taylor	Struck out
27	PHC/459/2008	Dr. Owunari Abraham Georgewill	Still pending
28	PHC/442/2008	Mr. Deedua Ledor	Still pending
29	PHC/437/2008	Henry Ugundu	Struck out
30	PHC/439/2008	Johnson O. Nwogu	Dismissed
31	AHC/36/2008	Joseph Jeremiah A.	Struck out
32	PHC/543/2008	Mr. Abiye Davis	Struck out
33	PHC/430/2008	Progressive Peoples Alliance	Still pending
34	PHC/664/2008	Hon. Valentine Tate M	Struck out
35	PHC/680/2008	Biokpo Johnbull & Ors vs. Peoples Democratic Party and RSIEC	Struck out
36	FHC/44/2008	Action Congress & ors	Still pending
37	BHC/30/2008	Ilami Arugu	Still pending
38	PHC/426/2008	African Political System	Struck out
39	PHC/393/2008	Alliance for Democracy & 2 Ors vs	Struck out

		RSIEC & 23 Ors	
40	PHC/326/2008	Ajagadi Deni A.	Still pending
41	PHC/983/2008	Bright Nelson & Anor vs. RSIEC & 1or	RSIEC ordered to declare election result.
42	PHC/984/2008	LoveGod Nweze & Anor v. RSIEC.	RSIEC ordered to declare election result.
43	FHC/CS/1240/08	Mr. Francis Uhba	Struck Out
44	BHC/40/08	Hon. Ikuiyi Ibani	Struck Out
45	CA/PH/LGE/385/08	Hon. Ibigoni Pokima & ors	Still pending
46	AHC/26/08	Mr. Nathaniel Tubonimi	Still pending
47	BHC/101/08	Mr. Kponee Anthony	Still pending
48	PHC/1383/07	Mr. Kenneth Amaewhule	Dismissed
49	PHC/549/08	AC & Tony Mac Pepple	Still pending

APPENDIX 9.2

COUNCILLORSHIP CASES AT THE ELECTION TRIBUNALS

S/NO	LGA & WARD	SUIT NO.	PARTIES	REMARKS
1	Abua Odual Ward 6	EPT/RW/35/08	Pope Peli Adaotu vs. Akeodi Ekpe	DISMISSED
2	Asari-Toru Ward 1	EPT/RW/21/08	Mr. Ebereye Ngo George vs. Ennia George D. F.	DISMISSED
3	Asari-Toru Ward 5	EPT/RW/28/08	Mr. Dada Solomon Batubo vs. Mr. Honour Jackreece	DISMISSED
4	Asari-Toru Ward 8	EPT/RW/33/08	Mr. Kuroinyea Jenewari Horsfall vs. Mr. Kalada Richard Wokoma	DISMISSED
5	Asari-Toru Ward 9	EPT/RW/13/08	Tomi-Bob Enoch vs. Kroma M. Opuyibo	DISMISSED
6	Akuku-Toru Ward 1	EPT/RW/16/08	Mr. Emmanuel S. Bob-Manuel vs. Asikia D. Bob- Manuel	DISMISSED
7	Akuku-Toru Ward 2	EPT/RW/4/08	Wariboko Sunday Bob-Manuel vs. Asikia D. Bob- Manuel	DISMISSED
8	Akuku-Toru Ward 4	EPT/RW/18/08	Mr. Ibitroko E. T. Briggs vs. Mr. Dabo W. O. Briggs	DISMISSED
9	Akuku-Toru Ward 7	EPT/RW/32/08	Mr. Duke Dikibujiri Fynface vs. Mr. Tombodia Frank	DISMISSED
10.	Akuku Toru Ward 15	EPT/RW/20/08	Ekine Japusoibina vs. Anthonia Dan	DISMISSED
11.	Akuku Toru Ward 14	EPT/RW/22/08	Ekine D. Jack vs. Mr. Mark Falin Walson	DISMISSED

12	Andoni Ward 1	EPT/RSE/27/08	Ereforokuma Atanfut Nte vs. Nteinyem Nte Ereforokuma	DISMISSED
13	Andoni Ward 3	EPT/RSE/26/08	Eneotu Tobiah Job vs. Robert Rogers Eneotu	DISMISSED
14	Andoni Ward 2	EPT/RSE/6/08	Mr. Eli Power Eli vs. Mrs. Regina J. Esukuile	DISMISSED
15	Andoni Ward 4	EPT/RSE/28/08	Ayauji Gogo Asuk vs. Ntieiro T. T. Elijah	DISMISSED
16	Andoni Ward 5 (No 1)	EPT/RSE/41/08	Mr. Emiyarei Jeremiah David Arawo vs. RSIEC	DISMISSED
17	Andoni Ward 5 (No 2)	EPT/RSE/36/08	Oriadek Nteogwuile Iyeoron vs. RSIEC & 20 ors	DISMISSED
18	Andoni Ward 6	EPT/RSE/37/08	Isaiah Friday George vs. Lazarus Ntegile	DISMISSED
19	Andoni Wards 7, 8, & 9	EPT/RSE/38/08	Amon Hanson Igah & 3ors vs. Chief Dan Nsan & 57 ors	DISMISSED
20	Andoni Ward 10	EPT/RSE/33/08	Ataisi Charity Wellington & Anor vs. Mrs. Bettina Matthew & 4ors	DISMISSED
21	Andoni Ward 11	EPT/RSE/39/08	Frank Edward Mba vs. Ayadem Samson & 3ors	DISMISSED
22	Ahoada-East Ward 3	EPT/RW/42/08	Thankgod D. Ideozu & Anor vs. Ogbobula Daddy Nweye & 3ors	DISMISSED
23	Ahoada-East Ward 1	EPT/RW/43/08	Kingsley Ben Okorji & Anor vs. Ejikeme Amah &	DISMISSED

			3ors	
24	Ahoada-West Ward 5	EPT/RW/25/08	Mr. Gabriel Eye Emmanuel vs. Mr. Ezebalike Melford & 3ors	DISMISSED
25	Ahoada-West Ward 7	EPT/RW/11/08	Odumanyuya Albert Onyekezu & Anor vs. Faith A. Prince Esor & 5ors	DISMISSED
26	Ahoada West Ward 8	EPT/RW/15/08	Mr. Macmillan Ogbonna & Anor vs. Michael Ebeneze Anyike	DISMISSED
27	Ahoada West Ward 8	EPT/RW//08	P D P vs. Anyikah Michael Ebenezer	DISMISSED
28	Ahoada-West Ward 12	EPT/RW/39/08	Prince Eke Alila & Anor v s. Okpokiri Okporonwo O. & 5ors	DISMISSED
29	Ahoada-East Ward 2	EPT/RW//08	AC vs. Owuze Amah	DISMISSED
30	Etche Ward 2	EPT/RE/10/08	Mr. Samuel Amadi & Anor vs. Mr. Innocent Uchenna Amadi & 4ors	DISMISSED
31	Etche Ward 13	EPT/RE/17/08	Anelechi Njoku & Anor vs. Chijoke Onwudebe & 25ors	DISMISSED
32	Eleme Ward 2	EPT/RSE/7/08	Mr. Aaron Ndo Okochi & Anor vs. Mr. Obuzor Augustus	DISMISSED
33	Emohua Ward 9	EPT/RE/19/08	Casman John A. Junior vs. Igwe Bryce & 24 ors	DISMISSED
34	Emohua	EPT/RE/18/08	Amadi Joseph	DISMISSED

	Ward 10		vs. Uchendu Dimkpa & 23ors	
35	Emohua Ward 5	EPT/RE/24/08	AC vs. Oliver Onyebule	DISMISSED
36	Degema Ward 5	EPT/RE/9/08	Mr. Williams Attemedia & Anor vs. Mr. Samuel Iboroma O. 5ors	DISMISSED
37	Degema Ward 17	EPT/RE/8/08	Mr. Dakoru Fred Kalabibi & Anor vs. Mr. Onengiyepokubo & 3ors	DISMISSED
38	Degema Ward 2	EPT/RE/7/08	Mr. Diepriye Brown & Anor vs. Mr. Taribo Benson & 26ors	DISMISSED
39	Khana Ward 8	EPT/RSE/12/08	Mr. Nkpenu Ledee Anthony & Anor vs. Patrick Dumale Adah & 5ors	DISMISSED
40	Khana Ward 13	EPT/RSE/13/08	Saronee Samuel G. B. & Anor vs. Baridon Torzor Tonwe & 5ors	DISMISSED
41	Khana Ward 14	EPT/RSE/2/08	Konne Kenneth Baribefii & Anor vs. Kponne Anthony & 6ors	DISMISSED
42	Khana Ward 2	EPT/RSE/23/08	Mr. Barika Lawrence Lipnee vs. Hon Saturday Spay & 6ors	DISMISSED
43	Ikwerre Ward 2	EPT/RE/11/08	Peter Wachijem & Anor vs. Emmanuel Amadi & 4ors	DISMISSED
44	Ikwerre Ward 3	EPT/RE/21/08	Igwe Warmate Onuobodo Ejimole vs. Johnson Ameki & 3ors	DISMISSED

45	Ikwerre Ward 13	EPT/RE/9/08	Okendu Frank & Anor vs. Achinike Amadi & 4ors	DISMISSED
46	Ikwerre Ward 1	EPT/RE/43/08	Okendu N. Frank v. RSIEC	DISMISSED
47	Gokana Ward 17	EPT/RSE/32/08	Bagia King Festus vs. Lekol Kpee Gaawa & 4ors	DISMISSED
48	Obio/Akpor Ward 4	EPT/RE/13/08	AC v. Amaechi Charles Chidugam	DISMISSED
49	Obio/Akpor Ward 13	EPT/RE/1/08	AC v. Chinda Ama Gift Prince Ugwuezi	DISMISSED
50	Omuma Ward 5	EPT/RE/14/08	Nwamadi vs. Amaehule Mabel & 2ors	DISMISSED
51	Ogba/Egbema/Ndoni Ward 12	EPT/RW/37/08	Alloysius Erick & Anor vs. Raymond Nwokocha & 5ors	DISMISSED
52	Ogba/Egbema/ Ndoni Ward 8	EPT/RW/38/08	Mr. Ifeanyi Gene Brown vs. Izeogu U. Alexander 4ors	DISMISSED
53	Opobo/Nkoro Ward 4	EPT/RSE/3/08	Mr. Robert Alfred Cookey vs. Wariso Adasa & 6ors	DISMISSED
54	Opobo/Nkoro Ward 8	EPT/RSE/5/08	Godswill Vidal Obomanu vs. RSIEC	DISMISSED
55	Opobo/Nkoro Ward 9	EPT/RSE/4/08	Loveday Adams vs. Kpokpo Benson Berewari & 6ors	DISMISSED
56	Opobo/Nkoro Ward 11	EPT/RSE/9/08	Mr. Daniel ThankGod vs. Otuo Ezekiel Manfred & ors	DISMISSED

57	Oyigbo Ward 1	EPT/RSE/30/08	AC vs. Gladys Nwagbara	DISMISSED
58	Oyigbo Ward 9	EPT/RSE/31/08	AC vs. Azuh Kelechi	DISMISSED
59	PHALGA Ward 4	EPT/RE/16/08	Ordinance Odinakachi Emeji & Anor vs. Kingsley Don- Pedro & 4ors	DISMISSED
60	PHALGA Ward 4	EPT/RE/16/08	Miss blessing Okwu vs. Mr. kingsley Don- Pedro	DISMISSED
61	PHALGA Ward 7	EPT/RE/11/08	Mr. Owutamunopiri Iyalla vs. Mr. Ibibia Jackson & 3ors	DISMISSED
62	PHALGA Ward 8	EPT/RE/12/08	Princess Kate Woluchem & Anor vs. Frederick Nyeomenuche Odo (F.N.O) Ogbonna & 3ors	DISMISSED
63	OGU BOLO Ward 6	EPT/RE/29/08	Josiah I. Agunu & Anor vs. Tamunonegiyeofori Iruenabere & 5ors	DISMISSED
64	ASARI-TORU Ward 9	EPT/RW/47/09	Tomi Bob Enoch vs. Kroma M. Opuoyibo & 5ors	Declared the petitioner as the Winner. The first Respondent's name was not in the voters Register.
65	KHANA Ward 8	EPT/RSE/42/08	Nkpenu Ledee Anthony & Anor vs. Patrick Dumale Adah & 15ors	DISMISSED

APPENDIX 9.3

CHAIRMANSHIP CASES AT THE ELECTION TRIBUNALS

S/NO	SUIT NO.	PARTIES	LOCAL GOVT AREA	REMARKS
1	EPT/RW/23/08	Felix O. Ikulughan & 2 ors vs. Udisien Odum & 7 ors	Abua /Odual	DISMISSED
2	EPT/RW/12/08	Hon. Tobins Oyekuodi & Anor vs. Udisien Odum 26 ors.	Abua /Odual	DISMISSED
3	EPT/RW/30/08	Mr. Gift Ishiusah & Anor vs. Hon Ndubuisi Oguzor & 4 ors.	Ahoada - East	DISMISSED
4	EPT/RW/40/08	Ogbo Mmuen Kpagane & ors. vs. Cassidy Ikegbidi & 10 ors	Ahoada - East	DISMISSED
5	EPT/RW/41/08	Mr. Effort Aggrey vs. Mr. Cassidy Ikegbidi & 4 ors	Ahoada - East	DISMISSED
6	EPT/RW/14/08	ThankGod Kojo & Ors vs. Awori Miller & 4 Ors	Ahoada - West	DISMISSED
7	EPT/RW/17/08	Chief Osaide GodPower & Anor vs. Barr. Miller Awori & 4 Ors	Ahoada - West	DISMISSED
8	EPT/RW/3/08	Onwunaru Innime Righteous & Anor vs. Awori Miller & 6 Ors	Ahoada - West	DISMISSED
9	EPT/RW/11/08	Dr. Owunari Abraham Georgewill (JP.) vs. Hon Paul Awoyesuku & 4 Ors.	Akuku-Toru	DISMISSED
10	EPT/RW/10/08	Hon. Alalibo Fredericks vs. Hon Paul Awoyesuku & 4 Ors	Akuku -Toru	DISMISSED
11	EPT/RW/26/08	Mr. Ebereye Ngo George & Anor vs. Mr. Ennia George D. F. & 8 Ors	Asari -Toru	DISMISSED
12	EPT/RW/27/08	Ibiye Horsfall & Anor vs. Mr. Ojukaye Flag Amachree	Asari -Toru	DISMISSED
13	EPT/RSE/33/08	Mr. Johnson F. Owaji-ima & Anor vs. Apostle Felix Ayaye & 5 Ors	Andoni	DISMISSED
14	EPT/RSE/35/08	Mr. Esuku Mbikankot Esuku vs. Apostle Felix Fyeface Ayayi & 71 Ors	Andoni	DISMISSED

15	EPT/RW/5/08	Mr. Chapp Jumbo A. Jonathan & Anor vs. Barr. Edward E. Pepple & 6 Ors.	Bonny	DISMISSED
16	EPT/RW/6/08	Com. Donald Hart & Anor vs. Barr. Edward Pepple & 3 Ors.	Bonny	DISMISSED
17	EPT/RW/7/08	Mr. Chukwumeka Amakiri vs. Hon Emeka Woke	Emohua	DISMISSED
18	EPT/RW/15/08	Hon (Barr.) Eke Emenike Geoffrey vs. Hon (Engr) Chukwuemeka Woke & 2 ors	Emohua	DISMISSED
19	EPT/RW/5/08	Mr. Kingdom Nwankwo & 2 ors vs. Mr. Ephraim Nwuzi	Etche	DISMISSED
20	EPT/RW/8/08	Prince Emmanuel Amebi Alikor & Anor vs. Mr. Kerian Wobodo & 4 ors	Ikwerre	DISMISSED
21	EPT/RSE/11/08	Curtis Leyira John-Miller vs. Mr. Bariledum Gregory Nwidam	Khana	DISMISSED
22	EPT/RE/3/08	Mr. Eke Ogwumerum Colnel & Anor vs. Timothy Nsirim (JP.)	Obio/Akpor	DISMISSED
23	EPT/RW/6/08	Mr. Ejike Aka Wodi vs. Mr. Prince Timothy E. Nsirim (JP.)	Obio/Akpor	DISMISSED
24	EPT/RW/2/08	Mr. Maxwell Ezekwem Daniel vs. Ochije Chris Okey	Ogba /Egbema /Ndoni	DISMISSED
25	EPT/RW/24/08	Mr. Sunday Ngozi Osiago vs. Hon Chris Okey Ochije	Ogba /Egbema /Ndoni	RSIEC ordered to conduct fresh election
26	EPT/RE/4/08	Sunday Asetobobe vs. Lawrence Abiebiari & Ors	Ogu Bolo	DISMISSED
27	EPT/RE/28/08	Mr. Belief Tamunokuro vs. Tamunobelema Datoru	Okrika	DISMISSED
28	EPT/RSE//08	Mr. Anthony Uzoma Anucha vs. John Nnamdi Anucha	Omuma	DISMISSED
29	EPT/RSE//08	Akobundu Kingsley Nwogu vs. P. E. Oforji	Oyigbo	DISMISSED
30	ETP/RSE/34/08	Mr. MacPepple	Opobo	DISMISSED

		vs. Mr. Uranta Maclean B.	/Nkoro	
31	EPT/RE/20/08	Mr. Kenneth Ncheta Dede vs. Chief Azubuiké Nmerukini	Port Harcout City	DISMISSED
32	EPT/RE/22/08	Mr. Brilliant Amadi vs. Chief Azubuiké Nmerukini	Port Harcout City	DISMISSED
33	EPT/RE/23/08	Chinda Christain Anukwem vs. Chief Azubuiké Nmerukini	Port Harcout City	DISMISSED
34	EPT/RSE/1/08	Mr. Gbenekane Pekins Kelo vs. Hon Barinada B. Mpigi	Tai	DISMISSED
35	RSE/19/08	Action Congress vs. RSIEC	Rivers West Senatorial District	DISMISSED
36	EPT/RE/27/08	Action Congress vs. RSIEC	Rivers West Senatorial District	DISMISSED
37	RW/31/08	Action Congress vs. RSIEC	Rivers West Senatorial District	DISMISSED
38	EPT/RW/46/08	Johnbull Obrasua vs. Mr. Abiye Davies & 2ors	Degema	DISMISSED

APPENDIX 9.4**CASES AT THE ELECTION APPEAL TRIBUNALS**

S/N	LOCAL GOVT AREA	SUIT NO.	PARTIES	REMARKS
1	AKUKU-TORU	EPT/4/2008	Dr. Owunari Abraham Georgewill (JP) & Anor. vs. Barr. Paul Awoyesuku & 5 Ors.	DISMISSED
2	PHALGA	EAT/17/2008	Chinda Christian Anukwen & 3 ors. vs. RSIEC & 4 ors.	DISMISSED
3	OMUMA	EAT/2/2008	Anthony U. Anucha vs. John N. Anucha	DISMISSED
4	ANDONI - WARD 4	EAT/9/2008	Ayauzi Gogo Asuk vs. Ntieriro T. T. Elijah & 9 Ors.	DISMISSED
5	ANDONI	EAT/10/2008	Eneotu Tobia vs. Eneotu Rogers Eneotu & 7 Ors.	DISMISSED
6	ANDONI - WARD 6	EPT/37/2008	Isaiah Friday George vs. RSIEC & 5 Ors.	DISMISSED
7	ANDONI - WARDS 7, 8 & 9	EPT/RSE/38/2008	Action Party of Nigeria vs. Chief Dan Nsan	DISMISSED
8	ANDONI CHAIRMANS HIP	EAT/31/2008	Esuk Mbikankot Esuku vs. Apostle Felix Fyeface Ayayi	DISMISSED
9		EAT/18/2008	Maxwell Ezekwem Daniel vs. RSIEC & 4 Ors.	DISMISSED
10	AKUKU-TORU - WARD 2	EAT/23/2008	Wariboko Sunday Bob-Manuel vs. Asikia D. Bob-Manuel & 8 ors.	Fresh Election ordered In Ward 2, AKULGA
11	OYIGBO	EAT/24/2008	Akobundu Nworgu vs. Oforji & ors.	DISMISSED
12	OGU-BOLO WARD 6	EAT/11/2008	Josiah I. Aguni vs. RSIEC & 2 Ors.	The Appeals Tribunal set aside the order of the Lower Tribunal

				striking out the said Petition. The Petition was remitted to the Lower Tribunal for hearing <i>de-novo</i> .
13	ASARI-TORU WARD 9	EAT/42/2008	Tomi-Bob Enoch vs. Kroma Opuoyibo & 6 ors.	Fresh election ordered in Ward 9.
14	PHALGA	EAT/20/2008	Princess Kate Woluchem vs. RSIEC	DISMISSED
15	KHANA	EAT/47/2008	Saronee Samuel G. B vs. Baridon Torzor Tonwe	DISMISSED
16		EAT/24/2008	Frank Edward Mba vs. RSIEC	DISMISSED
17		EAT/27/2008	Kelechi Azuh & Anor vs. Chamberlyn Okorie	DISMISSED
18	KHANA WARD 14	EAT/16/2008	Konne Kenneth Bariebefi vs. Kponee Anthony	The Election Appeals Tribunal ordered the Commission to issue a Certificate of Return to the petitioner
19	KHANA - WARD 13	EAT/6/2008	Saronee Samuel G. B. vs. RSIEC	The matter was remitted to the lower Tribunal for trial <i>de-novo</i> .
20	PHALGA-WARD 4	EAT/15/2008	Blessing Okwu vs. RSIEC	DISMISSED
21	AHOADA-WEST	EAT/40/2008	ThankGod Kojo vs. Awori Miler	DISMISSED
22	PHALGA WARD 4	EAT/14/2008	Suit No. Ordinance O. Emeji vs. Kingsley Don-Pedro	DISMISSED
23	ANDONI WARD 2	EAT/21/2008	Mrs. Regina J. Esukuile vs. Eli Power Eli	The Appeals Tribunal ordered for a fresh election

				in Andoni Ward 2
24	ASARI-TORU WARD 1	EAT/43/2008	Ebereye George vs. Ennia George	DISMISSED
25	AHOADA-EAST WARD 1	EAT/46/2008	Kingsley Ben Okorji & Anor vs. Ejikeme Ama & 3ors	The Commission was ordered to declare the petitioner, as the winner because of a tax-related issue of the 1 st respondent.
26	DEGEMA	EAT/53/2009	Mr. Johnbull Obrasua vs. Mr. Abiye Davies & 2ors	DISMISSED
27	AHOADA-EAST - WARD 3	EAT/48/2008	Ogbogbula D. Nweye vs. ThankGod D. Ideozu & Anor	The Appeal Tribunal declared ThankGod D. Ideozu as the winner because Ogbogbula D. Nweye did not pay his tax as at when due.
28	AHOADA-EAST, WARD 3	EAT/48/2008	Ogbogbula D. Nweye vs. ThankGod D. Ideozu & Anor	The Commission asked for review of the judgment. The appeal failed and a cost of ₦20,000 was awarded against the Commission.
29	AHOADA-EAST WARD 1	EAT/49/2009	Kingsley Ben Oforji & Anor vs. Ejiheme Amah & 3ors	The Commission asked for review of the judgment in (No. 28) The appeal failed. ₦20,000 cost was awarded against the Commission.
30	KHANA	EAT/19/2008	Nkpenu Ledee Anthony &	Fresh election

	WARD 8		Anor vs. Patrick Dumale Adah & 5 Ors.	was ordered by the Election Appeals Tribunal.
31	KHANA WARD 8	EAT/54/2009	Nkpenu Ledee Anthony & Anor vs. Patrick Dumale Adah & 14ors	The 1 st respondent did not resign his appointment before contesting the election. The Election Appeals Tribunal declared the petitioner as the winner of the election.
32	AHOADA- WEST WARD 1	EAT/41/2008	Oyonobuen B. Ogba vs. Mr. James Odum & 3ors	The Election Appeals Tribunal ordered a fresh election.
33	AHOADA WEST WARD 8	EAT/30/2008	Mr. Michael Ebenezer Anyiki vs. Macmillian Ogbonna & 5ors.	The Election Appeal Tribunal ordered for fresh election. 1 st respondent's name was not in the Register of Voters.

APPENDIX 9.5

S/NO	SUIT NO	COURT ORDERS	REMARKS
1	PHC/281/2008	i) Restrained the Commission from preventing or denying the claimant's chairmanship candidates in Ahoada-East, Ahoada-West, Akuku-Toru, Degema, Ogba/Egbema/Ndoni and Oyigbo Local Government Areas from participating in the elections of 29 th March 2008, pending the hearing and determination of the Motion on Notice. ii) Restrained the Commission from preventing the councillorship candidates submitted by the claimant (PDP) from participating in the elections of 29 th March, 2008, pending the hearing and determination of the Motion on Notice.	The substantive suit is still pending in the High Court. The Commission believes that a determination of this suit will provide an unambiguous and definitive interpretation of section 3(b) of RSIEC Amendment (No.1) Law No.6 of 2007.
2	EAT/30/2008	i) Nullified councillorship election result for Ahoada-West, Ward 8. ii) Ordered a fresh election with the exclusion of Michael Ebenezer Anyiki (Appellant) as his name was not in the Register of Voters for Ward 8. iii) Revoked forthwith the Certificate of Return issued to Michael E. Anyiki.	The Councillor took the matter to a Federal High Court, urging it to direct INEC to include his name in the Register of Voters. The Court directed that a fresh election should not be conducted, pending the determination of the substantive suit.
3	EAT/46/2008	i) Nullified the return of Ejikeme Amah as the Councillor for Ward 1, Ahoada-East Local Government Area of Rivers State by reason of his disqualification on non-payment of tax as and when due. ii) II. Nullified the subsequent Certificate of Return issued to him by the Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission iii) III. Declared Kingsley Ben Okorji (Petitioner) as the winner. iv) Iv. Ordered RSIEC to issue forthwith a Certificate of Return to the petitioner.	The Commission urged the Tribunal to set aside its own Order on the ground that it is now trite law that the non-payment of tax as at and when due is not a ground for disqualification of a candidate for an election. The appeal failed and a cost of ₦20, 000.00 was awarded against the Commission.

4	EAT/48/2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Nullified the return of Ogbobula Daddy Nweye (Appellant) as the Councillor for Ward 3, Ahoada-East Local Government of Rivers State for non-payment of tax as at and when due. ii) Declared the Certificate of Return issued to the Appellant void and invalid. iii) Ordered that a Certificate of Return be issued to ThankGod D. Ideozu as the elected Councillor for Ward 3, Ahoada-East Local Government Area of Rivers State. 	The Commission urged the Tribunal to set aside its own Order on the ground that it is now trite law that the non-payment of tax as at and when due is not a ground for disqualification of a Candidate for an election. The appeal failed and a cost of ₦20,000.00 was awarded against the Commission.
5	EAT/41/2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Nullified the election in Ahoada-West, Ward 1, for irregularity. ii) Ordered a fresh election. 	The Commission conducted a fresh election.
6	EAT/19/2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Nullified the councillorship election for Ward 8, Khana Local Government Area of Rivers State conducted on 29th day of March, 2008, for irregularity. ii) Ordered a fresh election 	The Commission conducted a fresh election.
7	EAT/21/2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Nullified the election conducted by the Commission in Ward 2, Andoni Local Government Area, for electoral irregularity. ii) Ordered a fresh election. 	The Commission conducted a fresh election.
8	EAT/23/2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Nullified the election conducted by the Commission in Ward 2, Akuku-Toru Local Government Area, for electoral irregularity. ii) Ordered a fresh election. 	The Commission conducted a fresh election.
9	EAT/16/2008 KHANA WARD 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Nullified the election of Kponee Anthony of the Peoples Democratic Party as the Councilor for Ward 14 of Khana Local Government Area on the ground of inconsistency of figures on the result declaration form and the Ward collation result 	Mr. Kponee Anthony wrote petitions against the Commission. He has also gone to the High Court to prosecute his case.

		<p>sheet.</p> <p>ii) Declared the petitioner, Konee Kenneth Baribefii of African Renaissance Party as the winner of the election.</p>	
10	<p>EAT/26/2008</p> <p>AKUKU-TORU L.G.A, WARD 1</p>	<p>i) Nullified the election of Arerite Orugbani for non-resignation of appointment with Akuku-Toru Local Government Council.</p> <p>ii) Declared Mr. Emmanuel S. Bob-Manuel as winner.</p>	The Commission complied and issued a Certificate of Return to Mr. Emmanuel S. Bob-Manuel
11	<p>EAT/42/2008</p> <p>ASARI-TORU L.G.A, WARD 9</p>	<p>i) Nullified the election of Kroma M. Opuoyibo as the Councilor for Ward 9 on the ground of electoral irregularity.</p> <p>ii) Ordered a fresh election.</p>	The Commission conducted a fresh election.
12	<p>PHC/984/2008</p> <p>AHOADA- EAST, WARD 6</p>	<p>i) Directed RSIEC to declare the result of the Councillorship election for Ahoada-East, Ward 6, submitted to it by the Ward Returning officer.</p> <p>ii) Directed RSIEC to declare the candidate that had the highest number of votes in the election as winner.</p> <p>iii) Deliver the Certificate of Return to the declared winner.</p>	The Commission did not previously declare the results because elections held in only 2 Units of the 13 Units of this Ward.
13	<p>PHC/983/2008</p> <p>AHOADA- EAST, WARD 7</p>	<p>i) Directed RSIEC to declare the result of the Councillorship election for Ahoada-East Ward 7 submitted to it by the Ward Returning office.</p> <p>ii) Directed RSIEC to deliver the Certificate of Returns to the Candidate that had the highest number of votes in the election.</p>	The Commission did not previously declare the results because elections held in only 2 Units of the 9 Units of this Ward.
14	<p>EAT/54/2009</p> <p>KHANA,</p>	<p>i) Set aside the election of the 1st Respondent (Patrick Dumale Adah) as the Councilor for Ward 8, Khana Local Government Area of Rivers State.</p> <p>ii) Declared the Certificate of Return issued to the 1st</p>	The Commission complied.

	WARD 8	Respondent (Partrick Dumale Adah) by the 2 nd Respondent (Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission) null and void. iii) Ordered RSIEC to issue a Certificate of Return to the 1 st appellant, Nkpenu Ledee Anthony within three (3) days of the judgment.	
15	PHC/543/2008 Degema	Ordered extension of life of the interim order in respect of re-run elections in Degema Local Government Area of Rivers State earlier granted on the 16 th day of April 2008.	The Commission received this Order after having prepared and mobilized for the elections. It however, complied.

Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission (RSIEC)