



PRESIDENTIAL WORKING GROUP ON THE NATIONAL POLICING BILL

PUBLIC CALL FOR MEMORANDA AND POSITION PAPERS

Background

The Presidential Working Group on the National Policing Bill has been convened to translate the constitutional amendment establishing a dual police structure, comprising the Federal Police Service and State Police Services, into a final, implementation-ready draft National Policing Bill for handover to the Federal Ministry of Justice. This Call for Memoranda and Position Papers is issued to:

- Solicit informed, evidence-based input on the policy choices underlying the draft National Policing Bill
- Solicit institutional, operational, fiscal and constitutional considerations that may not be fully captured in the Policy Outline;

Memoranda and position papers are invited from:

- State Governments, State Houses of Assembly and State Ministries of Justice;
- The Nigeria Police Force, Police Service Commission and other federal security and justice institutions;
- The Nigeria Bar Association and other professional legal and judicial bodies;
- Civil society organisations, human-rights bodies and academic and research institutions working on policing, security sector governance or constitutional law;
- Private-sector bodies with an interest in data protection, firearms regulation, private security regulation, or public finance;
- Individual subject-matter experts and members of the public with relevant technical or professional expertise.

Submission Guidelines and Deadline

All submissions must be made through the official portal at nationalpolicingbill.gov.ng, in PDF format and OSCOLA referencing style as set out above, on or before **13 August 2026 at 5:00 p.m. (WAT)**. Submissions received after the deadline may not be considered. Submissions made by any channel other than the official portal will not be accepted.

Memoranda and position papers should:

- Not exceed ten (10) pages, excluding annexes, and be submitted in English;
- Be submitted as a single PDF document, with any supporting annexes clearly labelled, paginated and merged into the same file;
- Use OSCOLA (Oxford University Standard for Citation of Legal Authorities) referencing throughout, including for citations to legislation, case law, official reports and secondary sources;
- Clearly identify the theme(s) addressed by reference to the numbering in Section 4 above;
- State the submitting institution or individual, designation, and contact details;
- Disclose any institutional or professional interest relevant to the subject matter of the submission.
- Submissions are encouraged on any of the themes as outlined on the official portal, nationalpolicingbill.gov.ng. Respondents need not address every theme; focused, well-substantiated submissions on one or two themes are preferred to broad but general commentary.

Enquiries

Further information on this Call, including guidance on the submission portal and referencing requirements, is available at nationalpolicingbill.com

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