

S.I. 4 of 1985

TRIBUNALS OF INQUIRY ACT 1966  
(1966 No. 41)

Instrument Constituting the Judicial Commission of Inquiry into the  
Ministry of Defence Contracts 1979-83

Under the powers conferred upon me by section 1 of the Tribunals of Inquiry Act 1966, and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I, Major-General Muhammadu Buhari, Head of the Federal Military Government, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation, hereby constitute and appoint a Tribunal to be called the Judicial Commission of Inquiry into the Ministry of Defence Contracts, 1979-83 with the terms of reference hereinafter appearing :

AND for this purpose, I appoint—

MR JUSTICE M. NASIR

MR S. A. ADEYINKA

MR S. O. OLUSEMO

PROFESSOR S. A. SANNI

to be members of the Tribunal with full powers and authority to hold public hearings but without prejudice to the exercise of the powers conferred under the proviso to section 1 (2) (d) of the said Act :

AND I direct that Mr Justice M. Nasir aforesaid shall be the Chairman and I appoint Anthony Iriah to be the Secretary to the Commission.

AND I further direct, that any three members of the Commission, of whom one shall be the Chairman, shall constitute a quorum and that the Commission shall hold its first meeting as soon as may be after the date of this Instrument, and the Commission shall thereafter hold the said Inquiry in Lagos and at such other place or places and upon such dates as the Chairman may determine.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Having regard to the findings and recommendations of the Ministerial Review Panel on Defence Construction Projects and any other material information relevant thereto ; the Tribunal shall—

(a) ascertain the role played by any person or persons in the Ministry of Defence whether serving in the Army, Navy or Air Force or the Ministry proper, in the award of contracts for Defence Construction Projects of ₦1 million (One million Naira) and above between 1st October, 1979 and 31st December, 1983 ;

(b) determine the persons, if any, who contributed to the lapses resulting in the state of affairs regarding the Defence Construction Projects which the Ministerial Review Panel described as unsatisfactory ;

(c) identify the failings of each person concerned with the lapses in the handling of contract awards ; and

(d) make suitable recommendations on its findings.

AND I hereby direct the Commission to submit its report to me not later than three months from the date of its first sitting.

GIVEN AND ISSUED under my hand at Lagos this 30th day of January 1985.

MAJOR-GENERAL M. BUHARI,  
*Head of the Federal Military Government,  
Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces,  
Federal Republic of Nigeria*

S.I. 5 of 1985

TRIBUNALS OF INQUIRY ACT 1966  
(1966 No. 41)

**Instrument Constituting the Judicial Commission of Inquiry into the  
Ministry of Transport and Aviation Contracts 1979-83**

Under the powers conferred upon me by section 1 of the Tribunals of Inquiry Act 1966, and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I, Major-General Muhammadu Buhari, Head of the Federal Military Government, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation, hereby constitute and appoint a Tribunal to be called the Judicial Commission of Inquiry into the Ministry of Transport and Aviation Contracts 1979-83 with the terms of reference hereinafter appearing :

Honourable Justice F. O. Awogu  
Mrs E. A. Ode-Martins  
Professor V. O. S. Olunloyo

to be members of the Tribunal with full powers and authority to hold public hearings, but without prejudice to the exercise of the powers conferred under the proviso to section 1 (2) (d) of the said Act :

AND I direct that Mr Justice F. O. Awogu aforesaid shall be the Chairman and I appoint Mr E. A. A. Taiwo to be the Secretary to the Commission.

AND I further direct, that any two members of the Commission of whom one shall be the Chairman, shall constitute a quorum and that the Commission shall hold its first meeting as soon as may be after the date of this Instrument, and the Tribunal shall thereafter hold the said Inquiry in Lagos and at such other place or places and upon such dates as the Chairman may determine.

*Terms of Reference.*

Having regard to the record of proceedings of the Ministerial Tenders Board or any other appropriate authority for the award of contracts in the Ministry, the Tribunal shall—

(a) ascertain the propriety or otherwise of the awards of contracts in the Ministry to the value in each case of ₦1 million (One million Naira) and above between 1st October, 1979 and 31st December, 1983 ;

(b) determine the persons, if any, who were responsible for any lapses or irregularities identified in the award of such contracts ;

(c) identify the failings of each person concerned with the lapses in the handling of contract awards ; and

(d) make suitable recommendations on its findings.

AND I hereby direct the Commission to submit its report to me not later than three months from the date of its first sitting.

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MAJOR-GENERAL M. BUHARI,  
*Head of the Federal Military Government,  
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S.I. 6 of 1985

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Instrument Constituting the Judicial Commission of Inquiry into the  
Ministry of Commerce and Industries Contracts 1979-83

Under the powers conferred upon me by section 1 of the Tribunals of Inquiry Act 1966, and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I, Major-General Muhammadu Buhari, Head of the Federal Military Government, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation, hereby constitute and appoint a Tribunal to be called the Judicial Commission of Inquiry into the Ministry of Commerce and Industries Contracts 1979-83 with the terms of reference hereinafter appearing :

AND for this purpose, I appoint—

Hon. Justice Umaru Abdullahi

Mr B. B. A. Fatunke

Professor Ogunrounbi

to be members of the Tribunal with full powers and authority to hold public hearings, but without prejudice to the exercise of the powers conferred under the proviso to section 1 (2) (d) of the said Act :

AND I direct that Mr Justice Umaru Abdullahi aforesaid shall be the Chairman and I appoint Mr A. B. Pariola to be the Secretary to the Commission.

AND I further direct, that any two members of the Commission of whom one shall be the Chairman, shall constitute a quorum and that the Commission shall hold its first meeting as soon as may be after the date of this Instrument, and the Tribunal shall thereafter hold the said Inquiry in Lagos and at such other place or places and upon such dates as the Chairman may determine.

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