

**COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AT THE END OF THE 2019 INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION AND SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS OF ATI
ANNANG FOUNDATION HELD BETWEEN 10th and 18th AUGUST, 2019 IN
AKWA IBOM STATE, NIGERIA**

In our continuous bid to celebrate 25 years of impactful existence as an organization that collectively defines, articulates, defends and implements the goals and ideals of the Annang ethnic destiny within the context of the Nigerian nation and also to reposition ourselves in readiness for the unfolding dispensation, Annang citizens across the globe convened under the aegis of **ATI ANNANG FOUNDATION** during its 2019 International Convention and Silver Jubilee Celebrations held in Akwa Ibom State, Nigeria between 10th and 18th August 2019, the following resolutions were reached:

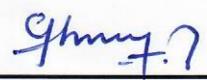
1. The Convention congratulated the Foundation on her 25th anniversary and commended the Board of Trustees, International Executive Council, the International Project Committee, all the Chapters and indeed all the members for their steadfastness, dedication and commitment to the goals and ideals of the Foundation. It observed that having gone this far, they should all brace up for the challenges ahead for greater successes in the next 25 years
2. The Convention resolved that the Foundation continues to support and partner with any government that is in power in all tiers of government at any time to enable her attract and/or influence positive things towards the development of the Annang nation. To this end, the Foundation reaffirms her support and loyalty to the present Government headed by HE President Muhammadu Buhari at the Federal level and HE Mr Udom Emmanuel in Akwa Ibom State. Further, the Foundation expresses her deep gratitude to the Governor for his continued support to the Foundation. The Foundation specially thanks him for his physical presence during the grand finale of the Foundation's Silver Jubilee celebrations, his commitment towards the completion of the Foundation secretariat and his promise to always partner with the Foundation towards the development of Annang nation and Akwa Ibom State. These gestures are by no means taken for granted.
3. The Foundation notes with satisfaction, the industrialization and developmental strides of Governor Udom Emmanuel but requests for even spread of the industries across the three senatorial districts and indeed to the eight local government areas of Annang land considering the existence of huge natural and human resources within the area. It particularly requests the Governor to ensure the fulfilment of his promise to complete the Uyo - Ikot Ekpene road dualization, the Ikot Okoro, Etim Ekpo, Oruk Anam and Ukanafun roads and the Four Points by Sheraton hotel in Ikot Ekpene.

4. The foundation resolved to continue in her partnership and collaboration with other socio-cultural organisations within Akwa Ibom State and indeed Nigeria to further promote the unity and peaceful coexistence of Akwa Ibom State and Nigeria at large
5. The convention commended the efforts of the Foundation Leadership in not steering the Foundation into partisan politics. The convention maintained that the Foundation shall stay out of partisan politics and allow members a level playing field in their chosen political associations or alignment.
6. The Foundation commits to continue implementing life touching programs for Annang people and communities as this is cardinal to the existence of the Foundation.
7. The foundation resolved to further strive for partnership and collaboration with other NGOs within and outside Nigeria to further solicit support and assistance to the less privilege within her communities while also helping to enhance the development of Annang nation and indeed Akwa Ibom State.
8. Finally, the Foundation resolved that the Annang people and indeed all Akwa Ibomites must uphold and build on the gains and successes of our fathers and heroes past and present to ensure our rightful place in the scheme of things in the Nigerian Federation. We therefore, strongly urge all sons and daughters both at home and in the diaspora to love one another and unite to contribute their best towards the development of our Annang land in particular and Akwa Ibom State and Nigeria in general.

LONG LIVE ANNANG LAND!
LONG LIVE AKWA IBOM STATE!
LONG LIVE THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA!!!



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