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<u>My Torture Experience in the hands of the Nigerian Police Force officers and the</u> <u>Judicial Officers</u>

My name is Janet Oluwafunsho Adeniyi and myself and my family has been subjected to torture and extreme Human Rights abuses by the Nigerian police Force and the Judiciary. My ex husband is using the Nigerian police force and the Nigerian Judiciary to continue to detain, intimidate, and torture me and my family and friends. He has partnered with some officers of the Nigerian Police force and some Judges of the Nigerian Judiciary using crooked extra-judicial means to forcefully take away my right of custody to my children On the 6th July 2023, I was incarcerated at the Suleja prison without any arraignment to the courts by my exhusband and his desperate group using vested government powers to achieve their evil agenda. What was supposed to be a family matter has now degenerated too badly due to the wickedness, greediness and carelessness of this group. My ex husband has been using bribery, assault, bullying, beating, intimidation, torture, harassment, stalking, false accusations and incarceration of me and my family members and our friends to try and get custody of the children at all cost so that the fact of the abuse the children underwent under his care would remain hidden forever. On the 1st July 2023 by 11:25am, My Ex-husband and officers of the NPF Lagos illegally arrested me and my children at gunpoint in Lagos. We were whisked to the Police station where I was assaulted and beaten up mercilessly by my exhusband in the presence of our children, IPO from SCID Abuja and the police officers of the Nigerian police Force on duty that night right inside the police station and he

would have beaten me to death if some of the officers hadn't intervened. The DPO of the police station further confirmed that the warrant of arrest presented by my exhusband was invalid in my presence, and that he had to go back to Abuja to collect a valid warrant of arrest before the process of arrest could be completed. The DPO of the police station and my exhusband connived and denied me and my children of our fundamental human right when I was refused audience to submit a complaint about the assault incident and the restriction of right to freedom of movement of my children till about 3pm on Sunday the 2nd of July when the state government ministry of youth and social developments welfare department stepped in and took the children into protective custody while I remained in detention at the police station without being allowed bail till about 12pm on Tuesday 4th of July 2023 in the absence of a valid warrant of arrest. This was very wicked and shameful that some NPF staff have now descended to the level of indiscriminately arresting and detaining children along with their mother even in family matters. The DPO of the Police station continued to deny me my her right to freedom of movement and refused bail purportedly on the orders of the Inspector General of Police.. On 4th July 2023 The IPO Adefunke Jolaoso took my phone with her when she went away and she refused to allow me call or contact my family members to let them know that I have been detained at the station not caring about the welfare of my 7 year old twins children who were made to spend the night on the cold hard floor of the police station and without basic necessities a young child requires. I was again whisked to Abuja and remanded at the Asokoro divisional police station where I was beaten slapped by officers who claimed I was restricting to go into the cell but of a truth I was apprehensive of entering the cold dark cell without any seat or light and I just asked for a little while to prepare my mind but they instead roughhandled me and pushed me into the cell claiming that I was restricting to go into the cell. They refused me my compulsory medication which was in my handbag with them until I became visibly unwell. The warrant was issued by the nepotistic warrant of arrest issued by a Magistrate judge (an in-law to my ex-husbands new wife) who is sitting in court on a dubious court notice of a case of kidnapping of my own children, gun possession and armed robbery was served to me purporting to emanate

with the knowledge of Inspector General of Police and then being tried on another magistrate court meaning there are 2 court cases against me in the FCT for the same offence. This is a travesty of justice because I am the mother of the children and couldn't have kidnaped my own children under Nigerian laws. 2 magistrate courts within the FCT jurisdiction trying the same person for the same charges and each court issuing orders and warrants arbitrarily without resort to due process. This is an abuse of Judicial process and the police prosecutor continues to use warrants and orders granted via either of the courts at will. I was arrested in Lagos using the order granted by the first Magistrate and remanded to prison using the second Magistrates order of remand. This was the same tactic employed by the team of Abuja Police and my exhusband and his 2 magistrates to arrest my adult son as a replacement for myself and they kept telling me to surrender myself in exchange for my son whom they arrested in replacement and my son was further kept in various police cells and Suleja prisons for 49 days without bail for unsubstantiated charges of kidnapping of the same children, gun possession and armed robbery and conspiracy which they had to quickly fabricate to save their faces as they have kept him longer than what the law allows without bail or arraignment in court. It is unfortunate that the NPF and the Nigerian judiciary have continued to harbour in their midst corrupt characters that use vested government powers to put innocent Nigerians behind bars without due and just trial. In November 2022, my exhusband used his corrupt influence within the NPF in colluding with them to illegally detain my son whom I had before being married to him and without a warrant of arrest at Panti CID Police station, Lagos. He was illegally detained in the station and an approval for an administrative bail was obtained .Despite the fact that he never bridged any of the bail conditions as soon as he reported to the Police station as instructed the following day, he was whisked to Iddo Police station in Abuja. The DPO at Iddo police station refused an application of bail for my son or to arraign him in court or release him in disregard of direct instructions from senior police officers of the Crime response unit who intervened and asked he be granted bail. The DPO at Iddo police station allowed his personal office to be used as a live stream torturing video room for my son The DPO colluded with my exhusband to record

and disseminate live on social media the video of how the NPF staff abused, dehumanised and degraded and tortured my son please go to the social media space and confirm that the torture and abuse of my son's human rights is true or not. The DPO after detaining my son illegally for 6 days then transferred him to Area 10 state command where the DCP allocations directed that all parties be brought back to him the next day as it is a family matter. The IPO in connivance with his family friend my exhusband flaunted the DCP directive and whisked David to SARS unit, Anti-Car theft section. Kindly note sirs that Anti car Theft unit clearly has no business with the matter and clearly does not have jurisdiction in this matter but they merely took my son to their cohorts for the purpose of fulfilling their evil agenda. Using their cronies. The head of Anti-Car theft unit dehumanised, threatened and tortured my son. The head of the Anti-Car theft unit also threatened me on telephone that he would ensure my son dies in prison and he kept to the threat by not allowing him to be bailed or arraigned in court for almost 20 days until a fundamental human rights case was instituted against the NPF. Immediately the suit was served, my exhusband and the head of Anti-Car theft unit connived with their 1st magistrate to swiftly issue an order of detention so that my son would be kept behind bars. This magistrate used his capacity as magistrate /in-law to issue an arrest warrant for my arrest against all entreaties by the lawyer that under the Nigerian constitution that a mother cannot kidnap her own children. My exhusband and the head of Anti-Car theft unit colluded in torturing and harassing my son to sign documents claiming he was offered bail but could not meet the conditions while at least 2 lawyers and a family member were always with him. They tortured and kept him for a further 9 days before bringing him before their 2nd Magistrate court. The actions of their Magistrate clearly showed that my son could never get justice in his one-sided court that had bought into the perpetual abuse of the fundamental human rights of my son. The Magistrate refused him bail and after much pleading, set unreasonable bail conditions including the seizure of my son's international passport. The audacity of my exhusband to numerously abuse my son's defence lawyers during cross examination without him ever being served a misconduct or warning during courts sessions of their 2nd magistrate is a

travesty of judicial decorum. How the Magistrate can accept languages like 'fuck you, fuck your mother, fuck your ass etc' in his court without holding such a person in contempt sets a bad precedence in maintaining decorum in a court session. The plain truth is that the conscience of Magistrate has been captured, otherwise a record of such utterances was not supposed to be omitted in the record of proceedings obtained from the courts. The use of NPF and Judiciary to harass me and my family and friends as an affront on our fundamental human rights. My ex husband and his group have incarcerated several members of my family on fake kidnap charges. He arrested my younger brother and wife, my deaf and dumb younger sister and my auntie. My exhusband with the help of some NPF members harassed, bullied and broke into Mrs Adepeju Faloye's house (a widow and my aunt) searched and destroyed items in her house at Ibadan. Mrs Faloye was rushed to the hospital unconscious due to the compounded situation of losing her daughter and grandson the previous day in a car accident andy the police force subjecting her to extreme physical and emotional torture with a broken leg. It can now be concluded that this man believes he is now above the Nigerian law and can continue to wage his campaign of impunity against members of my family and my friends and get away with it through his gang using bribery and corruption. The 1st Magistrate also used his capacity to issue an order to restrict my Nigerian bank Account in a matter that has nothing to do with financial inappropriation or anything regarding money. I lodged a petition at the zone 2 headquarters of the Nigerian police force and submitted petitions to the office of the Inspector General of Police about the torture and abuses to my life and that of my family members but nothing has been done till date. Despite the fact that the children were taken into protective custody of the Lagos State Government, I was whisked to Abuja and incarcerated at the Asokoro Divisional Police station without the option of being allowed bail or arraignment to the courts. The new Head of the SARS anti-car theft unit and the Police Prosecutor claimed that a directive from the office of the Inspector General instructed him not to grant me bail until I produce the children. But in truth, The new Head of the SARS anti-car theft unit and the Police Prosecutor, colluded with my ex husband to obtain a fraudulent detention order without a court sitting from their 2nd

Magistrates bedroom to remand me at the Suleja Prison. Is this justice? This is preposterous and can only be a fabrication of this man and his desperate gang to use brute force to achieve their evil agenda. How am I expected to produce these children when they are in the protective custody of Lagos state government? I kept asking for my bail but the new Head of the SARS anti-car theft unit and the Police Prosecutor refused.

The former head of the SARS anticar theft unit and also the Police Prosecutor, boasted to me in clear terms that he would ensure that he would make sure he convicts me and my son and ensure we rot in prison if the kidnapping charge doesn't hold, he will use gun possession charges which he clearly knows are fabricated and false claims and that nothing will happen and he will continue to collect his salary. He also said that I should ask around that he has the highest number of prisoners in the FCT

Kindly note sirs that proper investigation was not done and all applications made to the NPF for reinvestigation of the matter was never honoured or acted upon

Their 2nd Magistrate then set unreasonable bail conditions including the seizure of my international passport and that I am to be reporting on weekly at the police Force headquarters after granting and fulfilling all court bail conditions I am still supposed to be reporting at the police station knowing fully well that I live and work in Lagos and Ireland and knows that due to being a previous stroke survivor I always needs my health checks to be regularly conducted. This is a clear aim at ruining my life because how can someone who lives in Lagos be coming to report in Abuja, risking mine and my son's life unecessarily on the Nigerian roads knowing fully well how dangerous the trips can be and not to talk of the costs involved. All entreaties by the lawyers is always met with vicious rejection by the Judge. He says he doesn't care if Ms Adeniyi has health challenges because he's basing his actions on the Child Rights Acts and insisting that I should produce the children that he knows are with the Lagos state ministry of youth and social development to release the children to his own court in the past. The 2nd Judge is ignoring the fact that in Nigeria a mother cannot kidnap her own

children and according to Nigerian law a mother has right to remove her children if she is aware and has prove that her children are in any form of abuse which was what was happening to my children when they were in the care of my exhusband and instead of protecting me and my children the police and Judiciary allowed themselves to be used to continuously perpetuate injustice, harassment, bullying and continuous torment using the Nigerian police force and the Judiciary who are the primary keepers of the law.

My experiences to say the least have driven me at times to suicidal levels and it has only been with the support of my family that I still keep holding on. It has affected my entire life, my livelihood, my social life, my emotional, psychological and also my physical wellbeing. I cannot think rationally anymore. I have become so paranoid and unable to trust even when I can see visibly. The effect negative of these tereible experiences on my life cannot be quantified.... I need help

Faithfully

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