

FROM THE PUBLISHER

The Federal Government must act fast and now

The Uromi Killings of 16 hunters on Thursday March 27 2025 was indeed a sour taste in the mouth that was deeply condemned by all well-meaning Nigerians. Such barbarity has no place in a civilized society. But this horror is more than an isolated incident. It reflects a fractured justice and security architecture that continues to fail Nigerians across ethnic and regional lines. Nigeria remains a fragile state where double standards in justice not only breed resentment but also ignite avoidable crises. The Uromi killings underscore the devastating effects of selective justice and the steady erosion of state authority. According to reports, the Hausa hunters were merely passing through Uromi when a mob attacked them, accusing them of involvement in local security breaches. They were forcefully removed from their vehicles, lynched in broad daylight, and their bodies desecrated. Gruesome videos of the incident have since gone viral, sparking nationwide outrage and stoking debates about ethnic tension, state complicity, and the incompetence of security operatives. The killing of the Uromi 16 did not occur in a vacuum. It is part of a broader, long-standing pattern of violence—particularly associated with Fulani herders in several parts of the country. In February alone, 27 farmers were killed in Edo State. Initially, the state government acknowledged 22 deaths, only to later revise the figure upward. Yet, no decisive action followed—no arrests, no compensation, no justice. In states like Plateau, Benue, Ekiti, Ondo, Nasarawa, and Ogun, farmers live under siege. Many cannot access their farmlands due to the constant threat of violence. Massacres, arson, rape, and land invasions have become routine—while government response remains painfully inadequate. Selective justice is tearing Nigeria apart. When farmers try to defend their farmlands from armed herders, they are often met with swift, heavy-handed punishment from security agencies. Meanwhile, the perpetrators of mass killings continue to walk free. This glaring disparity sends a dangerous message: that some lives—often Southern—are worth less than others. Yet, justice must be fair and balanced. Those behind the Uromi killings must be brought to book, just as the perpetrators of countless atrocities committed by herders and other violent actors must face the full weight of the law. Only by applying justice evenly can Nigeria hope to end this vicious cycle of violence. The Federal Government must rise above ethnic or political allegiances and affirm that every Nigerian life is equal and sacred. Partial justice and political correctness have corroded public trust in the state's ability to protect its people. Silence in the face of violence only deepens the sense of injustice and imbalance. This concerns and the need for the Federal Government to take the bull by the horn inspired our cover for June 2025 with the Caption; The Uromi Killings and the hypocrisy of the Nigerian State.

Gen. T.Y Danjuma RTD piece on 'TOO LITTLE, TOO LATE' was presented in this edition under the title of a stitch in time which in this context will save Nigeria. The words of elders are words of wisdom. It is hoped that those in authority will hear and do the needful. Prof. Pat Utomi has named key Nigerians in a shadow Government to respond to what he called National Emergency. According to him the shadow team has to deal with matters of ethics, transparency and integrity that seem to challenge the present administration at every turn'. A very good idea one will say but let us see how far this will go. Your regulars are there and you will agree with me that this edition is loaded. The journey is yet far as God's graciousness has helped us to celebrate our 100th edition last month. Kudos to us as we urge you join us to celebrate God's faithfulness. God bless Nigeria and all our numerous subscribers and online readers. This edition is specially packaged for your reading pleasure.

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