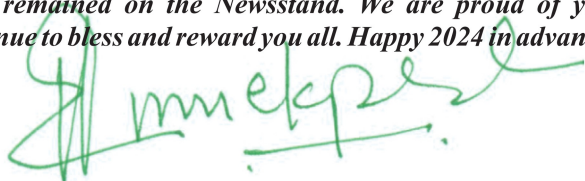


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## Between Governor Dauda Lawal and Bello Matawalle

**T**he disagreement in Zamfara state between the incumbent Governor Dauda Lawal and his predecessor Matawalle is festering by the day. It is not only becoming unnecessary; it is becoming childish. No day breaks without Governor Dauda releasing one accusation or the other to discredit the former Governor. No one is against exposing alleged atrocities committed by previous administrations if there are any, but the concern is that such allegations should be channeled or addressed to the appropriate quarters and agencies that are specifically created to intervene on such issues. But what we have seen so far in the case of Zamfara state is an orchestrated media campaign and trial which appeared to be aimed at smearing the personality of the former Governor. In all fairness and sincerity this is unconventional and should be discouraged by well meaning Nigerians. Washing your predecessor's linen on the pages of Newspapers if at all leaves much to be desired. Governor Dauda Lawal should be advised to desist from such unstatesmanlike conduct and try to be civil in his approach and utterances. There are better and more mature ways of making one's case even out of patriotism. This daily barrage of attacks, accusations and vituperations against his predecessor has not and will never augur well for the good people of Zamfara state. If there is anything the people of the state needs now, it is relative peace, that will inspire development and good governance, and this cannot be achieved by fanning the embers of crisis, discontent, hatred and disunity. At the end of the day after serving the people at the various capacities meritoriously, Governor Dauda Lawal and his brother the Minister of State Defence Bello Matawalle will return home to be together in peace. Then one will be propelled to ask, Why the bickering? Why the bad blood? It is not necessary; in brotherhood we stand. And to all those so-called aides and enemies disguising as friends who are supposed to douse the flame but instead fueling the crisis will bow their head in shame. To Governor Dauda Lawal I appeal to you to eat the humble pie and apologize to your predecessor because there lies your strength but to my big brother Bello Matawalle, I urge you to let bygone be bygone and embrace your brother. It does not matter the weight of offence, to ere is human but to forgive is divine. Let the peace of God that passeth all understanding reign and prevail. The Zamfara story is on our cover. Let posterity judge. Your regulars are there for your reading pleasure. This is our last edition for the year 2023. We wish all our subscribers Happy Yuletide and Christmas Celebration. We hope to see you again Lord s willing in 2024. We appreciate all our numerous subscribers and free readers. It is because of you that we have remained on the Newsstand. We are proud of you. God continue to bless and reward you all. Happy 2024 in advance



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