



PRESS STATEMENT

GOODLUCK JONATHAN FOUNDATION CONGRATULATE THE NEW LEADERSHIP OF THE AFRICAN UNION

Wednesday, 19th February 2024

1. The Goodluck Jonathan Foundation (GJF) extends its heartfelt congratulations to the newly elected leadership of the African Union (AU) on their successful election.
2. We commend the commitment of the African Union to promoting peace, democracy, and sustainable development across the continent and recognize the vital role the new leadership will play in shaping Africa's future.
3. As the continent faces evolving challenges and opportunities, we reaffirm our support for the AU's vision of a united, prosperous, and peaceful Africa, as outlined in Agenda 2063: The Africa We Want.
4. We are confident that the new leadership will continue to champion democratic governance, economic integration, and conflict resolution—critical areas for Africa's progress.
5. The Foundation remains committed to working closely with the African Union in addressing key regional and continental challenges, including:
 1. Strengthening democracy and electoral integrity to enhance political stability and governance.
 2. Promoting peacebuilding and conflict resolution through diplomatic mediation and preventive diplomacy.
 3. Supporting economic empowerment and youth engagement to drive inclusive development.
 4. Advancing regional integration and cooperation for Africa's collective growth.
6. We look forward to collaborating with the AU leadership, regional bodies, and stakeholders to achieve the aspirations of Agenda 2063 and foster a future where Africa is self-reliant, peaceful, and globally competitive.
7. Once again, we congratulate the newly elected Chairperson, H.E. Mahamoud Ali Youssouf, the Commissioner for Political Affairs, Peace, and Security; H.E. Ambassador Bankole Adeoye and other Commissioners; and all members of the AU leadership and wish them success in their tenure.

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