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COMMENDATION FOR GHANA GOVERNMENT VISA FREE TRAVEL POLICY FOR ALL AFRICAN PASSPORT HOLDERS

African Bar Association received with joy the implementation by Ghana Government of a free-visa travel policy for African Passport Holders.

This is commendable as it is in sync with the realization of the goals of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA)

We had after our 2024 Annual Conference in Lusaka, Zambia, which ended in 30th October, 2024 captured this demand in our communique.

This progressive step earlier undertaken by Rwanda, Seychelles, Gambia and Benin is being recommended for other African Nations to follow immediately if we are going to realize AU Agenda 2063.

The benefits of visa free travel for African Passport holders are too numerous to mention especially in Africa's development. We cannot make travels nightmarish for Africans in Africa and expect any meaningful development strides.

African Bar Association is with full knowledge that regional blocks had effected the visa free travels for their regions but that is little too good and we call on African Union and meeting of Heads of States and Heads of government to take the issue of visa free travels for Africans in Africa with urgent and paramount execution which will enable Africa join the league of continental bodies that had earlier executed the visa free travels in their various continents taking a cue from the America's and Europe.

Dated at Abuja, Nigeria this 14th day of January, 2025.

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