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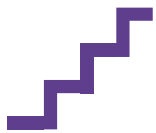
NIGERIA

ACTION AND PROGRESS UNDER THE MIGRATION PARTNERSHIP FRAMEWORK JUNE – OCTOBER 2016



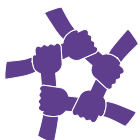
HIGH LEVEL ENGAGEMENT

- >> Visit of Minister of Foreign Affairs of Italy (August)
- >> United Nations General Assembly bilateral meetings, several EU Member States (September)
- >> Visit of Minister of Foreign Affairs of Germany (October)



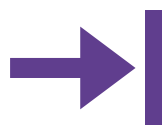
KEY PROGRESS BY NIGERIAN AUTHORITIES

- >> Appointment of points of contact in areas including readmission and smuggling.
- >> Work to enhance best practices for joint return operations.
- >> Nigerian participation at a European Border and Coast Guard event on return.
- >> Identification missions to Member States have been planned for November.



EU SUPPORT

- >> The EU Trust Fund for Africa mobilised projects addressing specific migration management issues, as well as root causes of irregular migration.



NEXT STEPS

- >> Make progress on the Readmission Agreement negotiations with a view to a swift conclusion.
- >> Further improve operational cooperation on return and readmission, including through identification missions.
- >> Strengthen the work on the fight against trafficking and smuggling.
- >> Increase initiatives in the field of business cooperation also with a view to addressing root causes.
- >> Deployment of the European Migration Liaison Officer.
- >> Launch an EU Cooperation Platform on migrant smuggling.
- >> Harness opportunities offered for legal migration channels, ERASMUS opportunities and other policies and tools.