

# Democratic Alliance of Women of Nigeria

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Congressman Jefferson  
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Dear Congressman Jefferson

We are writing to introduce to you Democratic Alliance of Women of Nigeria (DAWN), a political movement against continued militarism in Nigeria.

As you are aware, military regimes suspend the Constitution of the country of their imposition. The Nigerian military regime having gained prominence in Nigeria's political scene, has intensified their reign of terror being the trait of their military training and profession, albeit against armless citizens of Nigeria, the most vulnerable being the women and children.

In response to the recent call for submission to the Commonwealth Ministerial Action Group on Nigeria, DAWN made a submission, a copy of which is hereby attached for your information, support and sponsorship. Please, sponsor DAWN's efforts to encourage the Nigerian military to return to the Barracks; and its return to its Constitutional role. And to enthrone genuine and enduring democracy in Nigeria.

We are hoping to Launch DAWN's agenda for Political change and emancipation of women at the forthcoming Summit of Heads of African States in Harare in June, 1997; and the fourth Summit of African African-American holding also in Harare in July, 1997. A copy of the text is also attached for your kind consideration and adoption please.

Yours sincerely,

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For. DAWN