

Act No. 53

[26<sup>TH</sup> MAY 1999] Commencement.

THE FEDERAL MILITARY GOVERNMENT hereby  
decrees as follows:-

1. The

(a) Properties specified in part I of the schedule to  
this Act; and

(b) The various sums of money and other assets  
specified in part II thereof,

Forfeiture of  
certain  
properties and  
various sums  
of money etc.  
to the Federal  
Republic of  
Nigeria  
Schedule

being properties acquired corruptly and illegally by the  
persons mentioned there in are hereby forfeited to the  
federal republic of Nigeria and shall vest in the federal  
government of Nigeria free of all encumbrances without any  
further assurance other than this Act.

2. Any person who holds any of the properties referred to in  
section 1 of this Act shall, within 14 days from the making of  
this Act, yield up possession of such property to the Secretary of  
the Government of the Federation or any person acting on his  
behalf

Yielding  
possession of  
forfeited  
property.

3. The Registrar of Deeds in the Federal or state Lands Registry,  
as the case may be, or any other person in charge of registration  
of lands, instruments, deeds or rights affecting land, shall, upon  
presentation to him by the Attorney – General of the Federation  
or any person acting on his behalf of a copy of this Act, expunge  
from the relevant Register the name of any person

Registration of  
properties  
affected.

in whose name any interest is registered in respect of any  
property by this Act and substitute therefor the Federal Republic  
of Nigeria.

Rectification  
of certain  
registers.

4.-(1) The Secretary of the Government of the Federation shall cause a copy of this Act to be served on the secretary or other officer or agent of the company having charge of, or control over the register of members of the company and the secretary or other officer or agent aforesaid shall strike out the name of the holder of any share to which section 1 of this Act relates and substitute therefore the name of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

(2) The secretary to the Government of the Federation shall also cause a copy of this Act or be served upon the registrar-General of the Corporate Affairs Commission who shall cause his records relating to the names of the members of the company to be rectified accordingly.

Indemnity.

5. Any person who in intended compliance with this Act deals with any of the properties, various sums of money and other assets affected by this Act of who rectifies any register or other records relating to any such property of assets shall stand indemnified in respect thereof and no suit or other proceedings shall lie at the instance of any person aggrieved for anything done in respect of such compliance or rectification.

Penalty

6. Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with any of the provisions of section 2, 3 or 4 of this Act commits an offence and is liable on conviction to imprisonment for a term of two years without the option of fine.

Exclusion of  
civil  
proceedings

7.-(1) No civil proceedings shall lie or be instituted in any court for or on account of or in respect of any act, matter or thing done or purported to be done under or pursuant to this Act and if any such proceeding are instituted before on or after the commencement of this Act the proceedings shall abate, be discharged and made void.

(2) The question whether any provision of Chapter IV of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria has been, is being or would be contravened by any thing done or proposed to be done in pursuance of this Act shall not be inquired into in any court of law and accordingly, no provision of that Constitution shall apply in respect of any such question.

8. This Act may be cited as the Forfeiture of Assets, Etc. (Certain Persons ) Act 1999.

Citation

SCHEDULE *section 1*  
Part 1 *section 1 (a)*

LIST OF PROPERTIES/ASSETS BELONGING TO  
LATE GENERAL SANI ABACHA

ABUJA PROPERTY

<i>Location</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Name with which acquired</i>
Maitama, Abuja	Plot 135 (A6), House No. 12, Zaire, crescent, Maitatma.	General Sani Abacha
Asokoro, Abuja.	Plot 574 (A4), Yakubu Gowon crescent, near ECOWAS Secretariat, Asokoro.	General Sani Abacha
Maitama, Abuja	Plot 2824 (A6) Block No. 17, along Danube Street, Maitama.	General Sani Abacha
Maitama, Abuja	Plot 650 (A6) Rhine Street, Maitatma.	General Sani Abacha
Asokoro, Abuja.	Plot 1487 (A4) Justice Mamman Nasir street, Asokoro.	General Sani Abacha

*Location*

*Description*

*Name with which*

Maitama, Abuja	Plot 2480 (A6) Alvan Ikoku Street, Maitama.	General Sani Abacha.
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## LAGOS PROPERTY

<i>Location</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Name with which acquired</i>
Victoria Island, Lagos	Plot 636 Adeyemo Alakija Street, Victoria Island, Lay Out (Cowry House).	STALEMBO Properties Nig. Ltd.

## WEST AFRICAN REFINERY, SIERRA LEONE

<i>Location</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Name with which acquired</i>
Sierra Leone	30 percent shares valued at \$420,000 USD in West African Refinery, Sierra Leone	NASITUME Investment Ltd. from UNIPETROL

## LIST OF PROPERTIES / ASSET BELONGING TO

ALHAJI ISMAILA GWARZO

## ABUJA PROPERTY

<i>S/No.</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Name with which acquired</i>
1.	Plot 3 and 4, Queen Ida Street, Asokoro, Abuja	Developed. Plot 3 has 2 No. completed 6 bedroom Duplex with a tennis court and swimming pool.	
		Plot 4, 2 No. completed bedroom duplex, rented and occupied by philis project center.	Urban Villas Ltd.
2.	Plot No. 1251 Off Yakubu Gowon Crescent round- about, Asokoro, Abuja.	6 No. of 5 bedroom duplex with boys quarters each	Alhaji Ismaila Gwarzo

3.	Plot 191, 199 and 208 along Deeper Life Road off Shehu Shagari Way, Asokoro, Abuja	Plot 191- No. 6 bedroom duplex all rented by Tanko Yakassai & others	Alhaji Ismaila Gwarzo
		Plot 199 – A newly completed storey building, rented and occupied by Syrian Embassy 8 No. 2 bedroom flats.	Alhaji Ismaila Gwarzo
		Plot 208 – a storey building under construction. It is already plastered and roofed 8 No. 2 Bedrooms	Alhaji Ismaila Gwarzo
4.	Plot 444, Kongangora Close, Area 3 Garki, Abuja.	Fully developed. A complete 3 storey house. Not occupied	MUAB Ltd.
5.	Plot 448, Yabo Close Garki II, Abuja	A complete duplex not occupied	MUAB Ltd.
6.	Plot 273 Port-Said St., Zone 4, Wuse, Abuja	Completed 2 storey house. Occupied by Jameel Ltd. Owned by Gwarzo & Jihad Khalil	MUAB Ltd.
7.	Plot 577 And 578, Blantyre Street, Wuse II, Abuja.	Four No. of 4 storey houses of six (6) flats each. Newly completed. Not occupied	Urban Villas Ltd.
8.	Large expanse of land in Wuse II along Ahmadu	Cleared but not developed.	Alhaji Ismaila Gwarzo

	<i>Location</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Name with which acquired</i>
9.	Plot 2432, Ganges Street, Off Alvan Ikoku, Maitama Abuja.	A completed duplex not occupied	JAMEEL Nig. Ltd.

## KANO PROPERTY

1.	Plot No. 9D, Civic Centre Road, Kaon	Developed, Glass Front 4 Storey building for commercial use. Not occupied.	FK Construction Company Ltd.
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## ZARIA PROPERTY

1.	No. 4 Dangaladima Road, Gellesu		Lawan Isa
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## WEST AFRICAN REFINERY, SIERRA LEONE

	Sierra Leone	10 percent shares valued at \$140,000 USD in West African Refinery, Sierra Leone	Integrated Investment Trust Ltd.
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## Part II

Section 1 (b)

## 1. LATE GENERAL SANI ABACHA AND FAMILY

(a) US\$625,263,18

7.19

(b) £75,306,886.93

2. MOHAMMED SANI ABACHA

₦250,000,000.00

3. ABDULKADIR ABACHA

₦ 50,000,000.00

₦ 46,836,901.60

4. ALHAJI ISMAILA GWARZO

(a) ₦ 2,000,000.00

(b) ₦ 139,051,033.55

(c) Authorisation to Investigation Panel to collect  
US\$2,000,000 from Mr. Gilbert Chagoury

(d) ₦ 8,363,164,000.00 and ₦ 247,903,491.91

VEHICLES

(e) PEUGEOT 505 SUPER EVOLUTION

Not Registered

Engine No. X03305593X

Chasis No. 551A1703305593

(f) PEUGEOT 505 ST EVOLUTION

Reg. No. AM 660 ABC

Engine No. X103256170

Chasis No. V551A1703256178V

(g) TOYOTA LAND CRUISER

Reg. No. FG 052 – A<sup>0</sup>/<sub>1</sub>

Engine No. IFZ – F4477

Chasis No. FZJ80 - 0103814

(h) PEUGEOT 505 SALOON

Reg. No. AA 186 KWL

Engine No. X 106123650

Chasis No. 504A11061123650V

(i) PEUGEOT 504 STATION WAGON BESTLINE 2000

Not Registered

Engine No. G1106111125

Chasis No. 504G110611125

(j) MERCEDES BENZ LORRY 911

Reg. No. XA 390 ZAR

Engine No. 3520113601

(k) MERCEDES BENZ PACKER (PICK UP)

Reg. No. AG 577 ZAR



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5. CHIEF ANTHONY ANI

(a) DM.30,000,000.00

(b) US\$3,000,000.00

6. ALHAJI BASHIR DALHATU

US\$5,000,000.00 gift from Late General Sani Abacha held in a  
London Account.

7. ALHAJI ABDULAZEEZ ARISEKOLA ALAO

₦100,000,000.00

MADE at Abuja this 26<sup>th</sup> day of May 1999

GENERAL ABDULSALAMI ALHAJI ABUBAKAR  
*Head of State, Commander-in-Chief  
Of the Armed Forces  
Federal Republic of Nigeria*