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MURIEL BOWSER FEB 24 2020
MAYOR

The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 504
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with section 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01), and pursuant to section 4 of the Office and Commission on African Affairs Act of 2006, effective June 8, 2006 (D.C. Law 16-111; D.C. Official Code § 2-1393), I am pleased to nominate the following person:

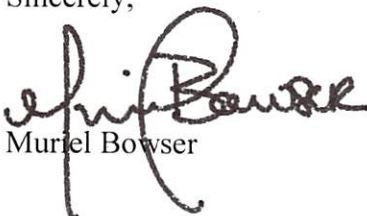
Ms. Ify Bozimo
Massachusetts Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20001
(Ward 2)

for appointment as a public voting member of the Commission on African Affairs, replacing Omar Arouna, for a term to end October 27, 2021.

Enclosed, you will find biographical information detailing the experience of the above-mentioned nominee, together with a proposed resolution to assist the Council during the confirmation process.

I would appreciate the Council's earliest consideration of this nomination for confirmation. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Steven Walker, Director, Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments, should the Council require additional information.

Sincerely,


Muriel Bowser


Chairman Phil Mendelson
at the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To confirm the appointment of Ms. Ify Bozimo to the Commission on African Affairs.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Commission on African Affairs Ify Bozimo Confirmation Resolution of 2020”.

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the appointment of:

Ms. Ify Bozimo
Massachusetts Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20001
(Ward 2)

as a public voting member of the Commission on African Affairs, pursuant to section 4 of the Office and Commission on African Affairs Act of 2006, effective June 8, 2006 (D.C. Law 16-111; D.C. Official Code § 2-1393), replacing Omar Arouna, for a term to end October 27, 2021.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution, upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

IFY BOZIMO

EXPERIENCE

World Bank Group

January 2017 - Present

International Finance Corporation (IFC)

Consultant - Legal Vice Presidency

- Drafting and reviewing equity, transaction/project documents for various infrastructure projects across emerging markets
- Analysing the legal and operational issues raised in each project, considering the peculiar nature of the business climate in emerging markets
- Providing legal advice to the business teams across the spectrum of IFC InfraVentures investments
- Drafting terms of reference for engagement of external counsel, reviewing their proposal, drafting the retainer agreement, managing the work product and relationship between the business teams and external counsel

Consultant - Legal Vice Presidency, Business Risk and Compliance

- Deployed Compliance Risk Protocol in the management of operational Conflicts of Interest (COI) and Material Non-Public Information risks
- Developed/reviewed IFC COI policies and procedures
- Advised staff and directors on IFC COI cases, policies and procedures

Solola & Akpana (Barristers and Solicitors)

Nigeria

Senior Associate

January 2004 – August 2016

- Drafted/reviewed and ensured quality control of cross-border project finance documents – equity documents, EPC, O&M and off take agreements on behalf of project sponsors and host governments under: PPP; BOOT; and privatization structures
- Advised International Finance Institutions such as Afrexim Bank on transactions relating to financing in the energy industry
- Played key roles advising companies involved in privatization of the energy industry on compliance and regulatory issues
- Represented clients in formation of corporations by drafting company charters, shareholders' agreements, and officers' employment contracts
- Acted as corporate secretary, advising on board structure, composition, directors' remuneration, share transfers, divestments, restructurings and representation on boards and board committees

EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center

Washington, DC

Master of Laws in International Business and Economic Law (Distinction)

May 2017

Research Focus: International Project Finance and Investments; International Business Transactions – FCPA, UK Bribery Act; Managing Political Risks in Emerging Markets Project Finance

Activities: Fellow, Institute of International Economic Law

Nigerian Law School
Certificate of Call to the Bar

Lagos, Nigeria
October 2004

Ambrose Alli University
Bachelor of Laws (Second Class Honours)

Edo, Nigeria
December 2002

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- Dean's List Honoree, Georgetown University Law Center, Class of 2017
- Named in the lawyers to watch out for in Nigeria, 2016
- Best Legal Staff, Business Development, Solola & Akpana, December, 2013

ADDITIONAL LEGAL ACTIVITIES AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Speaker, Transaction Counsel Panel, Public Private Partnership Conference, Abuja, Nigeria, 2016
- Speaker, Utilizing PPPs to Bridge Infrastructure Gap, Nigeria, 2016

COMMUNITY / VOLUNTEER WORK

South-East South-South Professionals of Nigeria (SESSP)

- Mobilizing professionals from the region and fund raising to fast-track development
- Panelist, Promoting Female Child Education - SESSP Development Forum

Waterfront Church, DC

- Volunteer team that serves free meals to women at Calvary Women Centre

LGBT Bar

- Volunteer for LGBT Bar conferences and other events supporting members of the minority

INTERESTS

Working on the recipe for the world's hottest hot sauce; La Colombe coffee; DJ-ing; and attending live Formula1 races across the world.



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Ify Bozimo



Ify Bozimo is a Consultant with the International Finance Corporation at the World Bank Group.

Ms. Bozimo has over 14 years of experience in a variety of areas spanning legal, corporate governance, communications, compliance, and board secretariat. She has also worked as an assistant to a chief executive officer, with duties including speech writing and editing. She has represented host governments, state-owned entities, private equity investors, and project companies. Ms. Bozimo has relevant experience living and working in Africa for several years and a fresh perspective from living and working in the District of Columbia over the past few years.

A Ward 2 resident, Ms. Bozimo received a Bachelor of Laws from Ambrose Alli University in Nigeria and a Master of Laws in International Business and Economic Law from Georgetown University Law Center.



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

To: Ronan Gulstone, Steve Walker
From: Betsy Cavendish
Date: February 18, 2020
Subject: Legal sufficiency review of Resolutions nominating Etayenesh Asfaw, Ify Bozimo, Sannido De Poukn, Carmen Eliam, Josiane Ndoymbaye, Kate Okoye, Reynolds Saka, and Salimata Sangare as members to the Commission on African Affairs

This is to Certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced legislation and found it to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call me at 202-724-7681.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Elizabeth A. Cavendish'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'E'.

Elizabeth Cavendish