

Letter to the UK Prime Minister

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Attn: Sir Keir Starmer

The Right Honorable Prime Minister

Government of the United Kingdom

10 Downing Street

London, United Kingdom

RE: Britain's Complicity in Nigeria's Historical Instability – and a Call to Lift Its Knee from the Necks of Indigenous Nations

Your Excellency,

Yoruba Global One Thousand, Inc. (YG1K), a United States-registered non-profit representing Yoruba descendants across the world, writes with unwavering dedication to truth, justice, and historical clarity.

For over 111 years, Nigeria has existed as an artificial construct – a geopolitical experiment engineered by Britain, sustained by Britain, and from which Britain continues to derive quiet strategic and economic benefit. Today, that construct is collapsing under the weight of the very contradictions embedded into it at birth.

1. The 1914 Amalgamation was an Imposed, Artificial Union

In 1914, the British Empire forcibly merged:

the Yoruba nation

the Igbo nation

the Hausa-Fulani emirates

the Middle Belt peoples

the Niger Delta nations

and hundreds of sovereign ethnic civilisations

These nations shared neither governance traditions, nor worldview, nor cultural identity. The union was not a negotiated partnership – it was an act of imperial convenience.

2. Britain Has Consistently Backed Leadership Structures That Protect British Interests

Across decades, successive British governments have supported or tolerated leadership that ensured the preservation of colonial-era power dynamics, even when such leaders lacked legitimacy among their own peoples.

3. Britain Is Fully Aware of Atrocities – Yet Chooses Silence

From pogroms to genocidal campaigns, from systemic repression to the sustained militarization of indigenous territories, Britain has remained largely silent, despite having deep historical responsibility for the architecture of Nigeria's instability.

4. Britain Opposes Indigenous Self-Determination to Protect Colonial-Era Arrangements

Calls for restructuring or peaceful self-determination are routinely discouraged because they threaten economic interests and geopolitical alignments rooted in the colonial past.

5. It Is Time for Britain to Lift Its Foot From the Necks of Indigenous Nations

The era of imposed unity must end. Indigenous nations must be allowed to breathe, to choose, and to chart their own destinies.

Our Respectful Demands

A formal acknowledgment of Britain's historical role in engineering Nigeria's instability.

An end to political and diplomatic support for dysfunctional administrations that oppress indigenous nations.

A commitment to refrain from interference when nations pursue peaceful self-determination.

Support for sovereign choice, allowing each ethnic nation the right to freely determine its political future.

An end to economic and extractive practices that continue to disadvantage indigenous populations.

Respectfully,

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