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To whom it may concern,

With respect to the recent happenings in the country, InciSioN Nigeria, a conglomerate of students and doctors passionate about global surgery hereby strongly condemn previous and existing brutality towards Nigerians by members of the Nigerian Police Force.

It is worthy of note that all efforts to mitigate the impacts of trauma and injury in Nigeria including the provision of accessible and well-equipped trauma centers, as well as a robust trauma registry, would be ineffective without preventing the cause of trauma in the first place.

The Nigerian populace is already plagued with a debilitating trauma narrative, of which road traffic accidents (RTAs) account for between 41.2 – 72% of traumatic injuries. It would be unfair to jeopardize the efforts of the global surgery fraternity worldwide if the Nigerian Police perpetually contribute as a cause of traumatic injuries to innocent Nigerians.

To this end, we implore all necessary government parastatals as well as the Nigerian Police Force NPF, to listen to the clamour by protesters and commit to changing the narrative through evident reforms devoid of clouded promises.

Sincerely,

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