## Status Quo Maintained - CBN





Nov 22/18



### Decision – parameters unchanged



Parameter	Rate (% pa)
Monetary policy rate	14
Cash Reserve Ratio	22.5
Liquidity ratio	30
Asymmetric corridor	+200/-500bps



After 29 months & 14 meetings Same old same old

Unanimous Vote

#### Why not increase rates?

- Migeria still in a recessionary gap (2.9%)
- Oil price − lost 26% since October
- Oil revenues to fall to \$8bn-\$9bn this quarter



- **26** External reserves down to \$41.6bn  $\Sigma 13\%$  drop in months
- Capital flow reversals Higher US rates
- Maira pressure building up in forex market- N364/\$

#### Why keep rates unchanged?







Inflation flat after a 2 month inflection

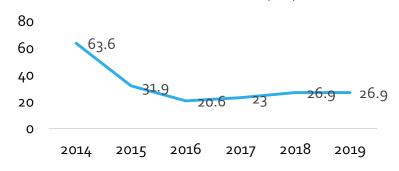


*Money supply growth (3.58%)* 



Improved terms of trade (26.9%)

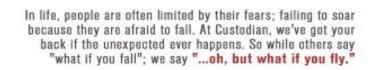
#### Terms of Trade (%)



Source: EIU

# Trust

it's not about falling ...it's about helping you fly.





## Impact on You

#### Pre-election

## VOTE

#### WORKER

Suffering & Smiling

MIDDLE CLASS

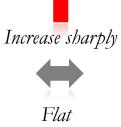
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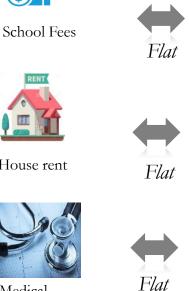
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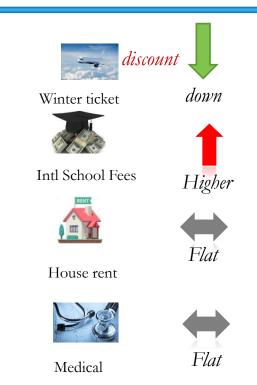














Unemployment



#### Commodity Prices – 3-Year Trend

Elastic	Commodities	2016	2017	2018	Direction (2016/2018)
	Palm Oil (25L)	N16,500	N13,000	N10,000	-39.39%
Price					
Price Inelastic	Chicken/Turkey (Tkg)	N1,400	N1,300	N1,200	-14.28%
	Garri (50kg) (Yellow)	N15,000	N10,500	N6,500	-56.67%
	Rice (50kg)	N24,000	N15,500	N16,000	-33.33%
	Beans (Oloyin) (50kg)	N22,500	N28,000	N26,000	15.56%
	Tomatoes (50kg)	N8,000	N8,000	N12,000	50%

Of 6 items, 4 prices fell, 2 prices increased



#### What Next?- Good & Bad

Unemployment data to be released on December 7- estimate 18%-22%



Budget 2019 to be passed (N8.73trn)

\$2.8bn new Eurobond borrowing

Minimum wage review (N30k) to push inflation up to 13%



Fiscal deficit higher to 2.3% of GDP

Naira pressure to increase in forex market

