

IN THE FEDERAL HIGH COURT OF NIGERIA

IN THE ABUJA JUDICIAL DIVISION

HOLDEN AT ABUJA

ON MONDAY THE 12TH DAY OF MAY, 2025

BEFORE HIS LORDSHIP HON. JUSTICE OBIORA ATUEGWU EGWUATU

JUDGE

SUIT NO: FHC/ABJ/CS/571/2024

BETWEEN

NAFTALI KENNETH DUNI APPLICANT

AND

1. MR. AFAKIRYA ADUA GADZAMA

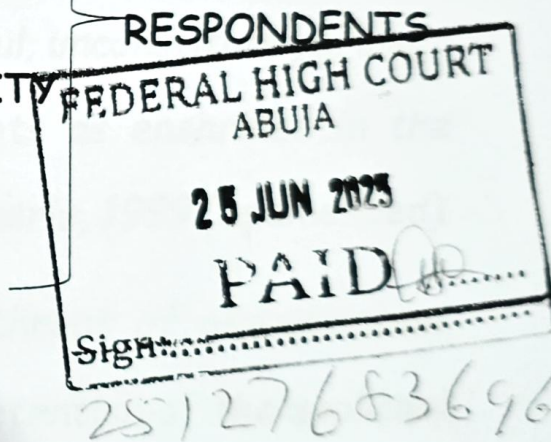
2. MRS. JOYCE NAFTALI

3. JOSEPH DASHWEP

National. Director Operation, NHSS

4. THE DIRECTOR GENERAL, STATE SECURITY SERVICES

5. THE STATE SECURITY SERVICES



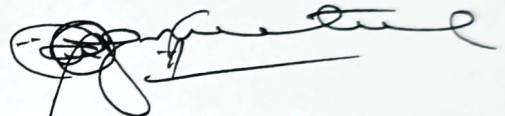
JUDGMENT

This fundamental rights application brought pursuant to the Fundamental Rights (Enforcement Procedure) Rules, 2009 and the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended), Universal Declaration of Human Rights and under the inherent jurisdiction of this Court and initiated vide a Motion on Notice dated

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1. A declaration is made that the arrest, detention, dehumanization and torture of the Applicant by the men and officers of the 3rd, 4th and 5th Respondents from the 17th February, 2024 through 20th February, 2024 at the underground facility of the State Security Services at Aso Drive Abuja without access to food or drinks of any kind upon the instigation by the 1st and 2nd Respondents using their influence and position of the 1st Respondent as former Director General of the State Security Services and current Board Chairman of National Institute for Security Studies, Lower Usuma Dam, Bwari, Abuja is illegal, unlawful, unconstitutional and a flagrant breach of his fundamental rights as enshrined in the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended).
2. A declaration is made that the continuous threat of harassment, intimidation, re-arrest and detention of the Applicant by 1st Respondent using the men and officers of the 3rd, 4th and 5th Respondents is illegal, unlawful, unconstitutional and a flagrant breach of his fundamental rights as enshrined in the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended).

3. An order of this Honourable Court is made directing the Respondents to desist forthwith from any attempt at harassment, intimidation, arresting and/or re-arresting the Applicant in furtherance of their threat of harassment, intimidation and/or molestation of the Applicant.
4. An order of this Honourable Court compelling the Respondents to pay to the Applicant the sum of N1,000, 000. 00 (One Million Naira) only jointly and severally against the Respondents as compensation for the unlawful arrest, illegal detention and torture of the Applicant.
5. The Other reliefs are refused.



Hon. Justice Obiora Atuegwu Egwuatu

Judge

May 12, 2025

Parties: Applicant in Court. Respondents absent

APPEARANCES:

1. Obam Ochoja for the Applicant
2. Terver Kenneth for the 1st and 2nd Respondents
3. Abbas A. Olayiwola for the 3rd to 5th Respondents

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