

June 16, 2021

The Director General / Chief Executive Officer
National Identity Management Commission
11 Sokode Crescent, Off Dalaba Street
Zone 5, Wuse
P. M. B. 18, Garki, Abuja



Dear Sir,

REQUEST FOR UPDATE ON THE STATUS OF THE DRAFT DATA PROTECTION BILL 2020 PURSUANT TO SECTION 2 OF THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2011

The above subject matter refers.

We are a not-for-profit, Non-Governmental Organization with a network of proficient digital rights lawyers, registered under part C of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, to, among other objectives, facilitate the defence and promotion of digital rights matters including Digital Identity, Data Protection & Privacy, Online Expressions among others. We achieve our objectives by way of advocacy, training and litigation.

We are aware that the draft Data Protection Bill 2020 was introduced by the Federal Government through the Legal and Regulatory Reform Working Group (LWG) which was constituted in March 2020 under your Commission. The Bill was consequently published on your Commission's website for public comments and a validation workshop was held in September 2020.

We humbly request the following information on the status of the Bill particularly to address the following the questions

- a. **Has the draft DATA PROTECTION BILL 2020 been presented before the National Assembly?**
- b. **If No, please where is the draft bill?**

PLEASE TAKE NOTE that if our questions are not answered, we will seek redress at the Federal High Court under the Freedom of Information Act, 2011.

Sir, please accept the assurances of our kindest regards.

Yours faithfully,
For: Digital Rights Lawyers Initiative


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