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A Resolution in Support of Nigerian Students at the University of Virginia in Light of #endSARS

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- **WHEREAS:** #endSARS is an ongoing movement to end police brutality in Nigeria. In this moment, there have been several attacks on peaceful protesters and particularly Nigerian youth; **AND**,
- **WHEREAS:** The University has offered no actions or statement of support for Nigerian students; **AND**,
- **WHEREAS:** The Organization of African Students (OAS) has coordinated a number of fundraisers for African students, protesters on the ground in Nigeria, and more; **AND**,
- WHEREAS: The Organization of African Students uses the space and resources provided by the OAAA in order to support its initiatives and operations; THEREFORE BE IT.
- **RESOLVED:** The Student Council Representative Body joins OAS in calling for an expanded and renovated OAAA student space, more funding for Black spaces at the University, and the creation of an outdoor gathering space for Black students due to COVID-19. We further call for the University to acknowledge the global uprising in Nigeria and beyond against police brutality; **AND BE IT FURTHER**,
- **RESOLVED:** The Student Council Representative Body wishes to highlight the OAS fundraisers. We also direct Student Council to both donate to these fundraisers and boost them on our social media accounts.

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Sponsor(s)	Date