RESOLUTIONS OF THE 34TH CONVENTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL
FEDERATION OF WOMEN LAWYERS (FIDA) LAGOS, NIGERIA, 25 NOVEMBER
2011

THEME: WOMEN THROUGH THE AGES AND SUSTAINABLE EMPOWERMENT
IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED ON THIS 25th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2011, that given the reform of
the United Nations and, in particular, the consolidation and restricting of all UN entities
concerning women’s human rights which took effect earlier this year in 2011, FIDA through its
membership support the work of the new UN entity known as UN Women, relating to advancing
the status of women.

it is further resolved in this 25th day of November 2011, that FIDA support the work of the
CEDAW Committee of Experts and through its membership monitor the implementation of the
concluding comments and observations of the CEDAW Committee. Where practical, FIDA
chapters and members should advance universal ratification and the promotion of the CEDAW
Convention and the Optional Protocol as well as the promotion of the work of the CEDAW
Committee.

IT IS ALSO HEREBY RESOLVED ON THIS 25th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2011, that FIDA
through its membership monitor and identify best practices of good governance in both the
corporate and political sectors as it relates to accountability, transparency, integrity, fairness and
diversity. This includes working on anti-corruption legislation as well as providing for
enforcement through legal remedies.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED ON THIS 25TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2011, that FIDA
through its membership monitor and identify best practices in the political, public, private and
corporate sectors relating to the percentages of women in positions of power and leadership,
including their service on corporate and government advisory boards. This also includes the
hiring, promotion and retention of diverse female candidates who shall hold at a minimum 35%
of all posts, particularly at the highest level, within all sectors.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED ON THIS 25TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2011, that FIDA
through its membership advance the rights of women and their children in situations of war and
armed conflict. This necessarily includes safeguarding the rights of refugees and those internally
displaced.

AND FINALLY BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED ON THIS 25th DAY OF NOVEMBER
2011 THAT AMBASSADOR ADUKE ALAKIJA BE APPOINTED AN HONORARY LIFE
PRESIDENT OF FIDA IN RECOGNITION OF HER INTRODUCTION OF FIDA TO
NIGERIA AND FOR BEING THE FIRST NIGERIAN TO BE PRESIDENT. DATED IN
LAGOS THIS 25TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2011.