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In a proactive move to address the pressing issue of Tuberculosis (TB) and advocate for improved legislation and remedies, Lawyers Alert recently paid a visit to Hon. Ogah Amobi Godwin, the Chairman of the House of Representatives Committee on TB/HIV/Malaria. The visit is to ensure collaboration and support in advancing community rights and a gender-focused TB response in Nigeria.



During the advocacy visit, the Honorable Chairman pledged the full support of the committee in backing Lawyers Alert's efforts to advocate for domestic funding for TB and to examine relevant legislation aimed at enhancing remedies for rights violations associated with TB in Nigeria. Hon. Ogah further affirmed the committee's commitment to collaborate with Lawyers Alert to ensure that TB issues are effectively addressed and championed at the National Assembly.



The initiative is part of Lawyers Alert's broad regional campaign across Anglophone Africa aimed at tackling TB through legal frameworks and community-centered approaches. The initiative also aims to enhance access to legal remedies for TB-related human rights violations for people affected by TB in Anglophone Africa, particularly in Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Nigeria, and Zimbabwe. These efforts are built upon structured engagements with lawmakers, judges, people affected by TB, health workers, legal practitioners, Civil Society Organizations (CSOs), and healthcare workers. Lawyers Alert aims to push for a TB law and legal remedies regional roadmap tailored towards rights-based solutions and comprehensive TB responses that address the needs of TB-affected communities.

The recent engagement with lawmakers underscores growing support for initiatives prioritizing laws and legal remedies towards addressing Community rights and gender challenges and in TB response.

