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A New Chapter in the U.S.–Nigeria Partnership:
The Critical Minerals Framework



Nigerian Minister of Solid Minerals Development Dele Alake and United States Deputy Secretary of State Christopher Landau sign the U.S.-Nigeria Critical Minerals Framework on September 23, 2026.

This week at the United Nations General Assembly, Nigerian Minister of Solid Minerals Development Dele Alake and U.S. Deputy Secretary of State Christopher Landau [signed](#) a new Critical Minerals Framework aimed at deepening American investment in Nigeria's mining sector. The agreement will turn Nigeria's vast mineral wealth into lasting economic growth while advancing U.S. national security interests.

The [deal](#) is the latest sign of a strengthening relationship between the two countries. Over the past year, the [U.S.-Nigeria counterterrorism partnership](#) has delivered significant victories against ISIS and al-Qaeda in West Africa. Building on the hard-earned trust forged through those wins, the new framework enables both countries to pursue shared economic and security goals.

Nigeria's mineral resources are worth roughly [\\$700 billion](#), an extraordinary reserve that has remained largely underdeveloped. The framework provides the investment and expertise to finally tap that potential, creating vast economic opportunities in Nigeria while helping to advance U.S. national security objectives.

The [framework](#) covers investments in geological data, exploration, development, and processing. Rather than simply exporting raw materials, Nigeria is prioritizing local processing and development in ways that benefit both Nigerian and American businesses.

For the United States, the agreement secures access to minerals essential for manufacturing advanced technologies. By partnering with Nigeria, including its emerging lithium sector, the U.S. will diversify its supply chains, reduce dependence on strategic competitors, and lock in reliable access to materials critical to both sustaining economic growth and a strong national defense.

The direction is clear: a partnership grounded in trust and mutual interests will deliver economic and security benefits for both countries. As the largest democracy in Africa, an emerging technology powerhouse, and the bulwark against terrorism in West Africa, Nigeria is a key U.S. ally in the region. With this framework, both countries are investing in a relationship built to last.

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