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Foreword

I am very happy to note that our beloved Department of Music is pulling weight educationally as well as meeting up with expectations and services to our great UNIZIK. The appearance of the Volume 15 of her Departmental Journal; **Awka Journal of Research in Music and the Arts**, is a remarkable achievement; another feather on her cap.

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