



The image features a vertical banner on the left side. At the top, it shows the Nigerian national flag with green, white, and green horizontal stripes. Below the flag is the Nigerian coat of arms, which consists of a red eagle with its wings spread, perched atop a shield. The shield is divided into four quadrants: the top-left is white with a blue book, the top-right is blue with a white book, the bottom-left is green with a white book, and the bottom-right is white with a blue book. Below the shield is a blue banner with the word 'IMMIGRATION' in white capital letters. The banner is flanked by green and brown vertical stripes.

NIGERIA VISA POLICY 2020

NVP2020

A Technical Presentation

by

Muhammad Babandede, mfr

CGI.

04/02/20

INTRODUCTION

- Visa is an endorsement on a Passport – to enter, leave, stay in a country.
- Nigerian Visa Policy started in 1958 with Colonial Immigration Ordinance
- Visa, a key migration management is a major tool for socio-economic as well as political strategy of a nation.
- started with rubber stamp, visa vignette and now e-visa & biometric



NVP 2020



- NIS Visa Policy Review Committee
- NIS Top Management Retreat, Lagos- 30/31 August 2019
- CGI Annual Conference, Benin City - October 2019
- Engagement with relevant stakeholders from MDAs Dec 2019
- Ministry of Interior Top Management Committee- 31 Dec 2019

NVP2020 – a global visa system



- www.immigration.gov.ng
- Biometrics linked to online applications for each applicant
- NIS able to retrieve all previous applications linked to the Biometrics
- Repository of all travellers details for decision, verification and investigation
- Visa could be process at foreign missions and biometrics enrolled at the port of entry
- Able to conduct checks against watch-lists (Local & INTERPOL)

Highlights of NVP 2020



- **3** categories: Short Visit, Temporary & Permanent Residence visas
- From 6 to **79** visa classes for every conceivable purpose
- Each visa class with a unique code for ease of processing
- Obtainable at Embassies, website of NIS & Airports
- Holders of AU member States Passport at Airports
- 2-5 year multiple entry visas based on reciprocity
- Visa for Diaspora Nigerians by birth with dual citizenship

NVP 2020 – The Concerns

- hasty decision – approval since May 2019 & part of Strategic document
- Security – more secured e-visa & MIDAS at Ports, INTERPOL i24/7
- Jobs – VoA is only for short visit, over stay will be charged
- VoA is not new – in 2019 (issued 63, 251 & 2,098 rejected)
- Open Land borders - Only Airports will issue VoA
- VoA for African may not be reciprocated – can be reviewed after timeline
- Corruption – no cash transaction – automation reduced human contact
- Not a standalone project – connected overall e-immigration & API
- Criminal might arrive at Airports - API



E-border clearance



Migrant e-Registration

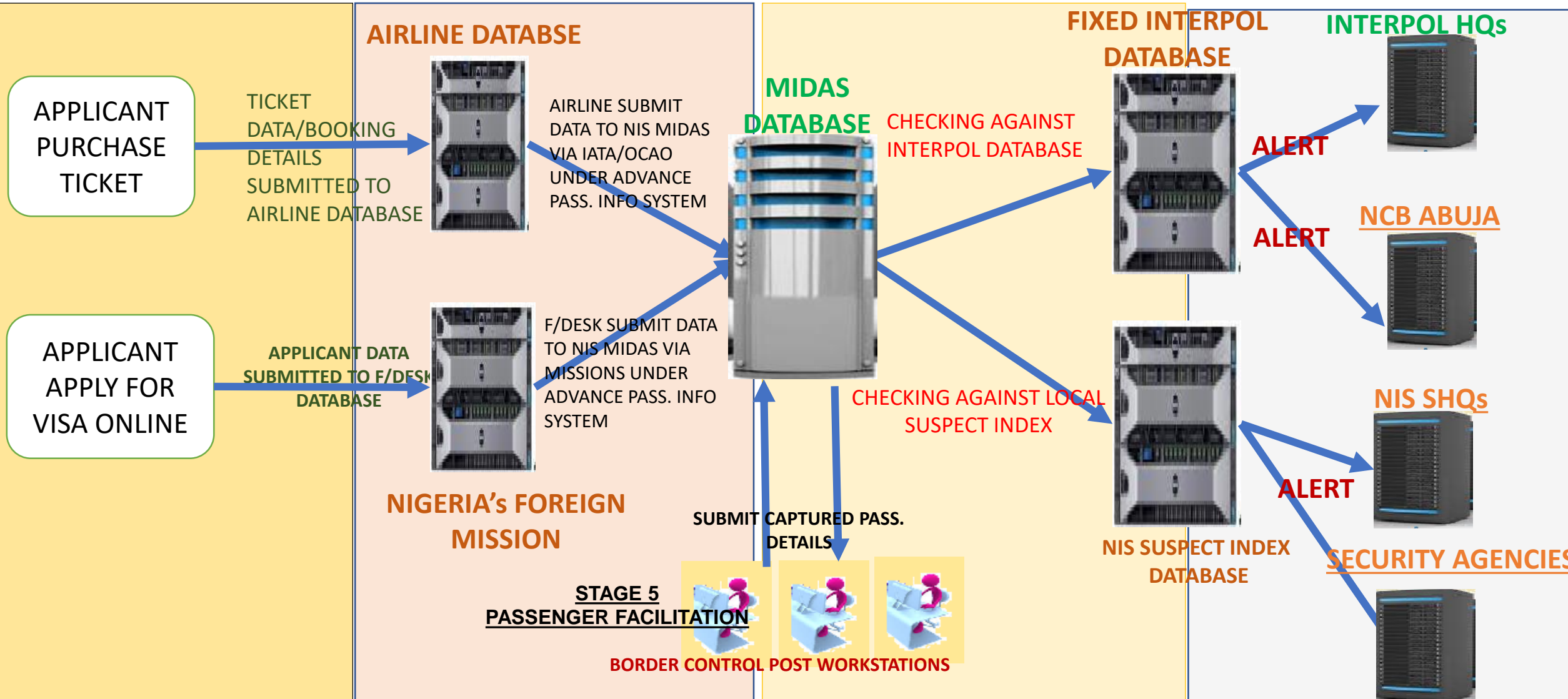


**STAGE 1:
GENERATION OF DATA**

**STAGE 2:
SUBMISSION OF DATA**

**STAGE 3
BATCH SEARCH**

**STAGE 4
DISSEMINATION OF ALERT**



DATA CENTRE

STAGING/BACKUP SERVERS

- e-VISA
- e-Migrant
- MIDAS
- INTERPOL
- Local WL
- Residence P
- Agencies
- NIMC
- Passport
- etc



CENTRAL REPORTING DASHBOARD

Security & LE



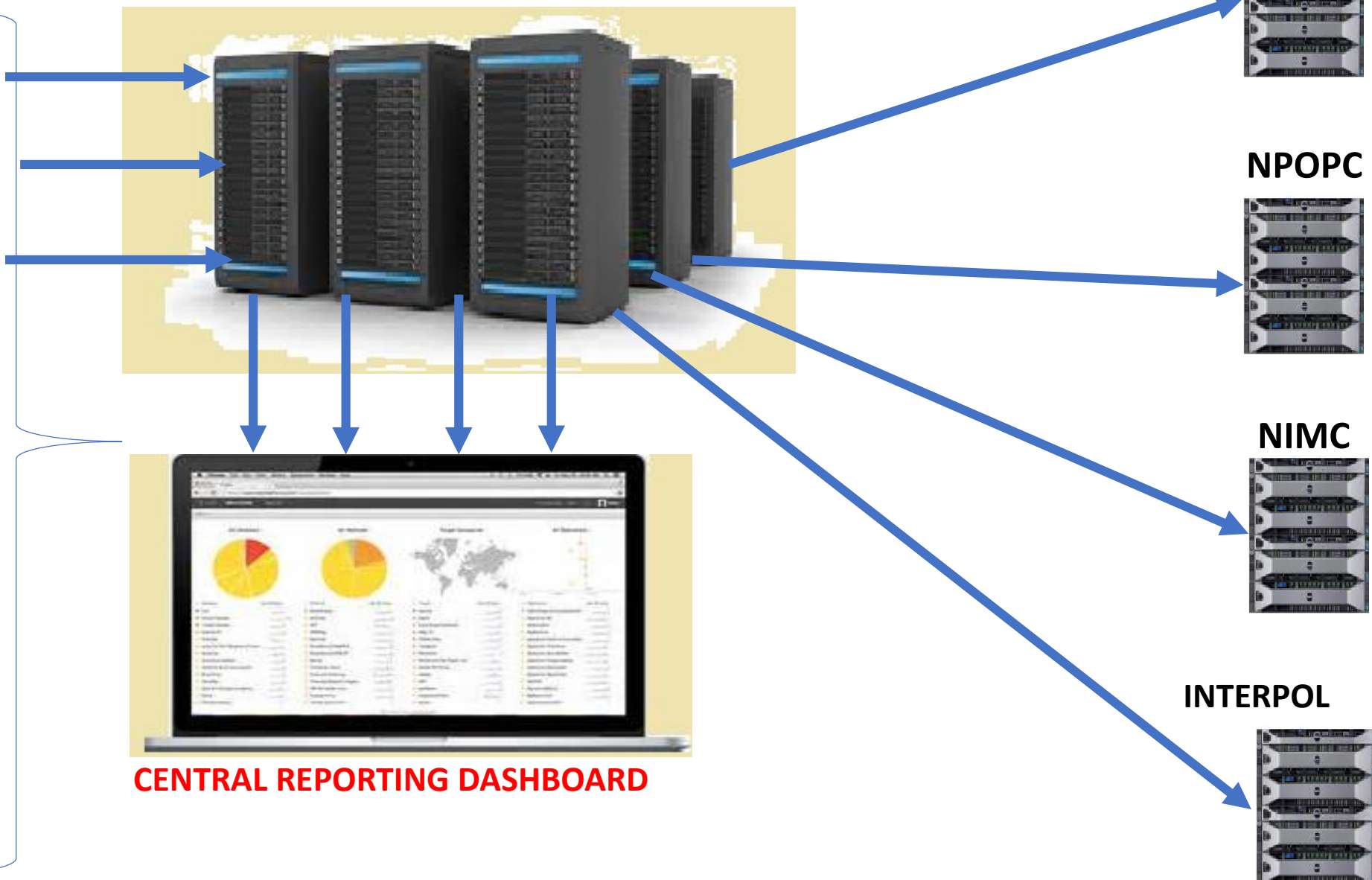
NPOPC



NIMC



INTERPOL



In Conclusion

- NVP 2020 is to benefit the country
- Involved several MDAs
- NVP is part of wider reform 'NIS Border Strategy, 2019 - 2023'
- Data will be shared
- Technology Building –
- Fears have been addressed – RESET



THANK YOU
Your Excellency.

