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#EndSARS: STATEMENT ON POLICE BRUTALITY IN NIGERIA

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Throughout the last week, the people of Nigeria have gathered in the streets to protest against the Special Anti-Robbery Squad, a unit of the Nigerian police force commonly known as SARS. ¹SARS has been known to use extreme violence against citizens and has been accused of torture, kidnapping and extortion. While Nigerian President Muhammadu Buhari announced Monday Oct. 12 that SARS would be disbanded and officers dispersed into other forces, protests are still taking place in cities across Nigeria.

#TheWorldIsWatching stands with the citizens of Nigeria in their fight to end police brutality. Violence from those meant to protect does not have a place in democracy or the future. We encourage young people to use civic participation, in order to make their voices heard and to create the changes we wish to see in the world.

For the latest updates on the #EndSARS movement, you can follow the hashtag, #EndSARS, on social media. For resources on how to get involved with the fight against police brutality, [click here](#).

¹<https://edition.cnn.com/2020/10/09/africa/nigeria-police-sars-police-brutality-intl/index.html>