## **FOREWORD**

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herever persisting effort exists, success is virtually guaranteed. For 40 years the students of the University of Ibadan Medical School have managed to keep afloat the boat of DOKITA on the turbulent sea of our country's economic and political events. Clearly to have managed to produce 27 volumes has required determination and tenacity of purpose. Our younger generation do give us hope and what else can the passing generation hope for.

The Nigerian medical community would wish to thank the Editorial Board of DOKITA for organising this historic issue of the journal. We must all urge them to continue the good work and rededicate themselves to the noble course of promoting excellence.

In the current space age of the internet, the passing generation are becoming almost irrelevant. The miracle of the microchip has put abundant global information at the disposal of the active generation. The resulting stimulation must enhance originality and independent thinking. Can DOKITA provide a small space for the student to vent good his/her original ideas? Our country needs them, if we must overtake the rest of the developing world.

I write this with very good wishes for the continuing success of DOKITA.

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