



## President Buhari made Kanu a celebrity and gave him power- Omokri

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Former aide to ex-President Goodluck Jonathan on new media, Reno Omokri says President Muhammadu Buhari made Nnamdi Kanu, leader of the Indigenous People of Biafra (IPOB), a celebrity.

In a video, Omokri said until Buhari arrested Kanu, he was “a nobody”.

He explained that if Kanu had been ignored, his agitation would have died a natural death.

The former presidential aide also said if Buhari had equitably distributed his appointments, he “would have just won the hearts and minds of people from the south-east”.

Omokri said in a Facebook Live video: “President Muhammadu Buhari actually created this mess, did you know who Nnamdi Kanu was before President Muhammadu Buhari had him arrested? He was a nobody and I don’t mean that in a disrespectful manner, you IPOB people you are very good with the media. Don’t come after me I don’t mean that in a bad way.

“Until he was arrested by Muhammadu Buhari he was a nobody, the president actually created Nnamdi Kanu, made

him a celebrity and gave him the power he has right now.

“Right now you have empowered the young man to do a lot more damage to you, what was he doing? Radio Biafra? How many people were listening?

“I was watching somewhere and a Turkish diplomat had actually gone to pay Nnamdi Kanu’s house to pay a courtesy visit to him. That is how big you have made him.

“The president should try and contain that but by sending soldiers to Abia to surround his house, we could have avoided that controversy. If you want this boy’s agitation to die a natural death ignore him.

“Look at the NNPC, if you give a balanced appointment – look at the security chiefs are overwhelmingly from the north and you are part of the north. If you had done equity, you would have just won the hearts and minds of people from the south-east. They are agitating for Biafra because they feel they are not well treated by the current Nigerian government.”