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The people can always be brought to the bidding...tell them they are being attacked, and denounce the naysayers for lack of patriotism and exposing the country to danger.

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We've seen reports of Yoruba leaders asking President Buhari to stop the war and sack service chiefs immediately as a way of beginning restructuring.Our country is sitting on a keg of gunpowder they claim. Once again partisan hacks want to snatch victory from the jaws of defeat.

You see, when you are fighting small limited wars there is a natural inclination , on the part of politicians not directly impacted by the war to want to blow things out of proportion. There is a basic disconnection now in this country between the population and the war

....and i find it quite frankly. Frightening. Compared to what was obtainable 2015, the security situation in Nigeria has vastly improved yet the media ..and partisan hacks portray a much more pessimistic narrative.

Consider that in 2015 over 21 Local government areas and 2.6 million Nigerians were cut off from the rest of the country, under the administration of a caliphate in Nigeria for 16 months. A huge chunk of the northeast was no mans country.

equipment shortages, massive corruption, misappropriation of funds and mass desertions were normal occurrences. We had 400 Nigerian troops fled to Cameroon TWICE. The air force was on the verge of extinction. The President himself was swindled $22 million in a scam ceasefire

deal by a belligerent nation. Oddly enough in Nigeria's 60+ year history this was "Eldorado", the period Nigerian earned more money than at any time since the discovery of oil in Nigeria. Oil prices hovered over $110 per barrel.

We made over $360 billion in two years. Defence spending was averaging $5.2 billion. Not counting $1 billion extra. This was a period a serving National Security Adviser personally embezzled over $2.7 Billion of funds meant to procure arms for troops on the frontline.

The Service Chiefs were and corrupt, lacking fresh ideas. In one single day 3500 Nigerians were slaughtered. The world didnt care.

But welcome to partisan controlled media. The days of level headed reporting are long dead now. Its almost as if they want people to be afraid.

So that they'll watch more "news" so they become more afraid so they watch more "news" so they become more afraid so they watch more "news"...

The first executive action of this President was to fire the Service Chiefs and he did it before moving into Aso Rock.

This was without precedence. The situation was that ridiculous. and then oil prices dropped....from $120 to $25 per barrel. Th treasury was empty. Its a miracle the Nigerian military is what it is today. This was unimaginable 2015. Nigeria was near bankrupcy.

We went from spending $4/5 billion to $2 billion a year. But against all odds we did it. What western pundits said will take 5 years was achieved in roughly 12 months, the capture of Sambisa.

Right now we are in war. We are fighting the insurgents in the North-east, and bandits in the North-west. The military is so much involved and are being deployed in so many zones of the federation. The military is involved almost every geopolitical zone of the country.

and some partisan hacks who know nothing about warfare, whose states are not ground zero,, whose region has not been destroyed by a decade of insurgency wants the president to stop the war, fire the service chief's, which entails a 60 day halt to all military operations

because of what? Nigeria is falling apart? Where? Lagos? Ogun? Oyo?..

But Nigeria has made much progress in military reform and the fact that the Nigerian military is now better armed, more professional than at any time in history is something no one wants to hear.

People love to romanticize the past and love to say how horrible we are. How we are always on the verge...Most cant imagine how bad things were not long ago. For the first time we re actually inducting capital assets, the best armed attack drones, 4th Gen jets, 3rd Gen tanks

highly trained special forces units well equipped. For the first time every acquisition is brand new with emphasis on quality. The insurgency doesn't hold and cannot hold an inch of Nigerian territory. Weve developed world class intelligence gathering infrastructure that was

non-existent. The moribund navy is making a comeback and the army is in the final stages of Operation Tura Takaibango...and some Yoruba leaders have decided civil war is upon us, its time to scuttle years of hard work and start all over its time to restructure...my God !!