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This article will analyze Nigeria's solar and renewable energy policy over recent years and present some insights into the energy sector.

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