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sanitisation of the state roads by removing vehicles causing obstruction to free vehicular movement.

The governor, who was fielding questions from Lagosians during the celebration of his 2,000 days in office said, "I have instructed the Ministry of Physical Planning and other ministries concerned to go out and remove vehicles from sidewalks.

"If you cannot contain your vehicles inside your premises, we will come and take them away."

The governor also urged traders in the state to desist from trading on the sidewalks, saying it prevents people living with disabilities from having unhindered space to use.

Meanwhile, former Lagos State Commissioner for Public Transportation, Dr. Segun Ogundimu, has asked Fashola to stop pursuing commercial motorcyclists, popularly called *okada* riders but face real issues in the state.

Ogundimu, at a press conference in Lagos on Sunday, said, "The traffic law as it relates to the *okada* operators should not make you lose sight of the necessity to protect the travelling public.

"You must do something about real issues in the state rather than pursue *okada* riders all over the place."

He said the force with which the restriction of *okadas*

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Fashola, Assembly lament killing of ex-gov aide

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LAGOS State Governor Babatunde Fashola and the state House of Assembly on Monday described the death of the former Special Adviser to the Governor on Health, Mr. Toyin Hamzat, as unfortunate and shocking.

Hamzat was killed on Sunday by gunmen along Sagamu road in Ogun State.

The governor and the Assembly in separate statements said the late Hamzat was a man of peace, and called for strengthening of security in the country.

Fashola said, "It is a supreme irony of life that such a man of peace who gave so much in the service of his nation and community, could come to such a violent end."

While condoling with the government and people at Ogun State as well as the immediate family of the deceased, Fashola said Hamzat's death was a personal loss to him, Lagos State and the entire South-West family of the Action Congress of Nigeria.

The Assembly, during its plenary, was notified

of Hamzat's death by the Chief Whip of the House, Dr. Abdulrrazaq Balogun.

Balogun, who described the deceased as diligent and friendly, said the death was "so sudden".

Another lawmaker, Omowunmi Olatunji-Edet, recollected that she had a good working relationship with the former Special Adviser as the Chairman of the Sport Council.

Mrs. Funmilayo Tejuosho said security must be overhauled by the Federal Government, adding that many lives had been lost to lack of security in the nation.

The Speaker, Adeyemi Ikuforiji, said, "I did not sleep throughout the night. However, like most members who spoke concerning the security of the nation, I agree that the Federal Government is playing politics with the future of our country."

He urged the police and other security agencies to confront the security challenges in the country.

He added that assassins had made several attempts on Hamzat's life before they succeeded on Sunday.