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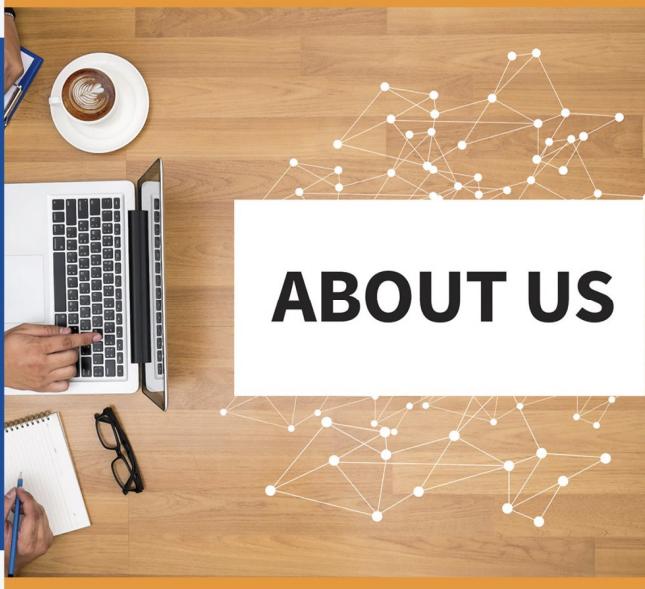
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ABOUT THE COMPANY

Cater and Merger is a management consulting company based in the United Kingdom and with presence in Nigeria. With an extensive networking of partners we have served clients across 3 continents with the following services.

- Investments and Trade missions.
- Corporate media and political campaign marketing
- Professional development for public sector officials and private entities.
- Strategy consulting for developing impactful efficiencies across industries

Focusing on our mission, building democratic peace and good governance, we have consistently aimed to bridge the gap between politics and business with trade delegation facilitations and negotiations between governments and corporations across Europe, America and Africa.

We believe that the world of politics and business are intricately linked and as such we have served as a base for interlinks across power houses in continents through the London Political Summit organised every year with key ambassadors in various governmental and multi-national corporations spanning over 20 countries around the world.

With an extensive media network across Europe and Africa, our corporate and personality profiling for clients has a global reach with an engaging audience in over 3 continents.

With client satisfaction our priority our experienced team of strategy advisors have consulted in a wide range of industries across the continental and global scale, with innovative solutions leading to sustainable results across board. With this, we hope to build a better world as our clients become poised to positively impact their communities.

Using cutting edge technology we provide the ultimate client experience and with a leadership team ethically result-driven, we are assured that together we can build a better world through our collaboration.

Mr. Godson Azu



Godson is a political analyst, PR/Media Consultant, author and Publisher. He studied International Relations and Politics at both University of London and London Metropolitan University London where he completed his post-graduate (MA) in 2017.

He started his media and political work as a political analyst and social analyst with the first ethnic black African television stations in the UK, Ben Television London in 2012.

He later became Head of politics/current affairs desk in 2014. In 2014, he was selected to stand as a Councillorship candidate of All Peoples Party (APP) at the UK Local Council Elections of 2014 for Brentford Ward in Her Majesty Borough of Hounslow and in 2016 he contested as a CLP Candidate for the Greater London Assembly/Mayoral Election May 2016, to represent the Borough's Haringey/Enfield Constituency CLP in North London, at the London City Council.

After much attempts at political office opportunities, he went ahead to set up his small constituency business, Cater and Merger Consult, with which started his Business to Politics networking engagements, firstly, by authoring his first book publication, then facilitating the first London Political Summits and Awards in 2016, went on to publish two more books and now facilitating the UK-Nigeria Trade and Investment Mission Summit since 2020.

Godson is a Fellow of Occupational Safety and Health Association of the United Kingdom and Nigeria Regions, (FOSHA); Associate Member Institute of Leadership Management UK, Member Institute for Governance UK, Community Member London Chambers of Commerce and Industry, Member British Africa Business Alliance UK, and Member Nigerians In Diaspora Organisation UK/Europe
He is presently the President of Abia State Indigenous in Diaspora UK & Ire.

He has written and published three major books; Campaign Strategies for Political Success, 2014; and Nigerian Democracy and Political Personalities, 2016, and Britain/EU, Post-Brexit African Relations and Geopolitics of Globalisation, 2020. With many online articles and publications to his credit.

He is an active player in the business networking community in the United Kingdom, loves football and learning how to play Golf.

Dr. Joy Opara



A Seasoned Business administrator, Financial Consultant and Relationship Manager.

Highly skilled at leading cross-functional teams to ensure administrative operational excellence, efficiency and Business Growth.

She is the Nigeria Country Director of Cater and merger Consult Ltd. Seasoned ex-banker with more than 10 years banking experience.

Barr. Chibuzo Ubochi



Sir Ubochi is also a director at Victory Law Solicitors London. He serves also on the board of several other companies and NGOs. As a legal practitioner with a broad practice in England and Wales as well as in Nigeria,

Sir Ubochi has a keen interest and uses his expertise in ensuring that these organisations grow to their full potential. His first degree in Economics embedded in him a holistic viewpoint when advising on business affairs and law.

A passionate Nigerian, Sir Ubochi is committed to Nigeria's national development and establishes and maintains several developmental projects and programs for the economic and socio-cultural advancement of Nigeria. He is currently the chairman of Nigerians in Diaspora Organisation (NIDO) UK South and had previously served as a member of the Board of Trustees of NIDO Europe



End of Mission Communiqué.

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WITH THE FEDERAL MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY, TRADE AND INVESTMENT NIGERIA

COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AT THE END OF THE UK-NIGERIA TRADE AND INVESTMENT MISSION SUMMIT 2022, HELD FROM THE 25TH- 29TH OF APRIL, 2022 IN THE CITY OF PETERBOROUGH AND LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM.

INTRODUCTION:

It was a great week of resourceful activities during the well-attended UK-Nigeria Trade and Investment Mission Summit 2022 held in London and City of Peterborough, with delegates from the private and public sectors.

The delegation was led by the Honorable Minister for Industry, Trade and Investment; Otunba Adeniyi Adebayo and the Honorable Minister of State for Budget and National Planning, Prince Clem Agba. Also in attendance were the Permanent Secretaries and Directors from the two ministries, delegations from Nigeria Ports Authority, Nigeria Export Processing Zone Authority, Oil and Gas Free Zone Authority, Standard Organization of Nigeria, OFICON Group, BABN, Agro- Allied Group, Federal Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Budget and National Planning, etc.

VISIT TO THE NIGERIA HIGH COMMISSION UK

The Trade and Investment Mission, kicked off with a courtesy visit to His Excellency, Ambassador Sarafa Tunji Isola, the Nigeria High Commissioner to the Court of St. James, London.

The meeting started with an opening speech by Mr. A. Bello, the Mission Head of Trade, who stated the importance of the courtesy visit.

The High commissioner welcomed all the delegates and emphasized on the need for Trade and Investment and Venture partnerships with the UK. He stated that there was need to revisit the trading agreements with the UK as equal partners with a long-standing history. He wished the delegates a successful and productive deliberation during the summit.

In response on behalf of the delegation, the Managing Director of Nigeria Export Processing Zone Authority, Prof. Olukayode Adesugba thanked the High Commissioner for receiving the delegates in Nigeria House and assured him of the delegates commitment to meaningful deliberations and discussions over the week of the summit. The meeting ended with group photographs.



At The Nigeria high Commission London Curtsey Visit-25th April 2022.

LUNCH RECEPTION

After the courtesy visit at the Nigeria High Commission, the delegates moved to the British House of Parliament where the Opening Ceremony was held .The parliamentary engagement was hosted by Lord Taylor of Warwick, Member House of Lords and in attendance were the Hon. Minister for Industry, Trade and Investment Nigeria, His Excellency Hon. Otunba Adeniyi Adebayo, the Minister of State for Budget and National Planning, Prince Clem Agba, Former Minister of Defense, Hon. Barr Adetokunbo Kayode, Special Guest Speaker Lord Alex Carlile QC.CBE. Member House of Lords, the High

Commissioner of Sierra Leone and Jamaica to the UK, Top British Business leaders such as; Sir Richard Heygate, Hon Kishan Devani, Mr. Paul Harrison, Mr. Alistar Soyode, Mobin Rafiq and many others. Lord Taylor of Warwick in his welcome address thanked all the delegates and guests for attending the opening ceremony. He stated that there has been a long historic economic and political relationship between Nigeria and the UK and the need for an urgent review of trade relations between both countries for mutual benefits. He assured the delegation of his desire to help advocate for better trade deals for Nigeria in view of Britain Post-Brexit UK agenda and emphasized on the need for

Nigeria to be at the fore front. In the opening speech of the Hon Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment, Hon. Otunba Adebiyi Adebayo, he stated that the Nigerian Government is willing for trade relations and has established economy free zones across the country in readiness to attract investment into the country. He went further to say that the Federal Government has provided incentives to attract foreign investors and local partnerships in Nigeria.

The guest speaker, Lord Carlile spoke on “The Economics of Trade and Investment Post-Brexit Opportunities and Relations”. In his speech, he highlighted on the need for a mutually beneficial economic deal

between the both countries - post-Brexit UK.

This was followed by the presentation by the Minister of State for Budget and National Planning who explained in detail the informed economic development strategy for the country. There were other speakers from Commonwealth Secretariat, Wanis International Foods, Commonwealth Entrepreneur club, Nigeria Ports Authority, NEPZA, etc.

The CEO of Cater and Merger Consult, the Facilitators of the Summit Mr. Godson Azu, in his closing remark acknowledged the presence of Important Dignitaries and thanked all delegates for being at the Opening Ceremony and Lunch Reception.



At the House of Lords Lunch Reception and Opening Ceremony 25th April, 2022



Dinner MEETING HOSTED BY ETK GROUP UK

The day's events ended with a private business dinner/meeting, hosted by ETK Group UK, which had the two Hon. Minister's in attendance, with other delegates, meeting with key private business leaders. A warm thanks to Mrs. Bolaji Sofoluwe MD, ETK Group UK for hosting the evening which was a great success, with an interest investment opportunity in Agro-business and infrastructure. Below is ETK report on the meeting

Report on the Ministerial dinner organized by ETK Group in partnership with Crasner Capital

Purpose: During the second Africa Investment Conference held virtually on the 20th January 2022, the UK Government expressed its aim to boost economic cooperation with African nations and enhance its role as the continent's investment partner of choice for greener, climate-friendly projects. In line with this aim, we will be hosting this intimate event which aims to unlock millions of pounds of new investment, in industries both in the UK and across Nigeria. Nigeria has huge economic potential, and our continued partnership will help businesses capitalize on investment opportunities, support high-value jobs and boost enterprise in every part of the UK. ETK was contacted by

Carter & Merger Consult UK to design and deliver a private dinner to introduce the Honorable Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment to the business community and key investors, who would be given a platform to discuss issues relating to doing business in Nigeria.

Need: Our attendees need to learn about the latest trends and opportunities taking place in their industry in Nigeria. We carefully selected a small group of business leaders that are doing business in Nigeria or are interested in doing business in Nigeria. In addition to this, there were presentations from Nigerian Government officials and UK based business leaders who shared their unique insights.

Event Outcome: The Minister spoke passionately about the plans to improve several areas of concern for the guests in attendance, including, but not limited to:

1. Security Challenges
2. Areas of Prioritization
3. Investment incentives
4. Continuity of government policies
5. The legislative imperative

The Minister of State, Budget and Planning who was also in attendance, described some of the efforts being made to maintain and uphold commercial agreements and business commitments through the judicial system. Key Businesses/Individuals in attendance from the UK Business

community include;

1. The Africa Team from Santander, UK
2. Dints International
3. Stirling Infrastructure
4. Plexus Cotton
5. Clarke Energy
6. Institute of Export
7. SESO Global (Real Estate)
8. Africa Investment Group
9. Crasner Capital
10. Commonwealth Trade Section (Secretariat) Canada Africa Network
11. Contec Global Group

12. BGEN UK Next Steps

The organizations that attended are actively investing in Africa and would like follow-on conversations with the Minister's office. ETK is strategically positioned to facilitate further action, to ensure that these discussions are fruitful and translate into successful business opportunities for those in attendance, as well as investment opportunities for Nigeria. ETK will be engaging with them one-on-one, to discuss next steps.



At ETK Group Business Dinner Meeting in London 25th-April, 2022.



Day 2 started with a business round table discussion and tour of Wanis International Food Headquarters in East London. Wanis International Foods is one of the big importers and exporters of goods (foods) from and to Nigeria. They are the biggest distributors of Nigerian food product from large and small retailers throughout the UK and Europe. The meeting at Wanis was a huge success, based on the discussions, working agreements, partnership and further investment opportunities reached at the roundtable. Also, various support of improving and increasing imports of Nigeria foods directly from Nigeria, by engaging with more local producers and suppliers. Present at the visit, were delegates from Nigeria Port Authority, Nigeria Export

Processing Zone Authority, Nigeria Standard Organization, Nigeria Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment, Budget and National Planning, the representative of the Hon. Minister, Mr.Kamar Bakrin, Technical Adviser to the Minister, Mr. Sanjay the MD. Wanis International Foods, Mr. Paul Harrison the Head of Community and other senior members of staff. Cater and Merger Consult is hoping to build a good working relationship with Wanis International Foods having been our exclusive sponsor of the Trade Mission Summit, as we equally hope to join them for their next visit to Nigeria in June for the West Africa Food Expo in Lagos, with the view of connecting Wanis with our Nigerian business contacts during the visit.



At the Wanis International Foods Facility visit and Roundtable meeting with the MD. Mr. Sanjay and Management Staff.

After the facility and roundtable meeting at Wanis International Foods, the delegation was treated to a Boat Cruise along the London Thames River, from Westminster Pier; it was indeed a pleasant experience for many, as we had on the trip, the Perm. Sec. of the Nigeria Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment, Dr. Evylin Ngege, Mr. Kishan Devani, Mr. David Smith, Mr. David Apollos, Mr. Robin Marsh,

Margert Ail, Ms. Mercy Gilbert, Prof. Ngozi Okike, and many other guests. From the Boat Cruise, some of the delegates joined the dinner drink receptions held by the EDF team at Lancaster House, with the British Trade Minister, and Nigeria Industry, Trade and Investment Minister, the Prime Minister's Trade Envoy for Nigeria and many other guests.



A TRIP TO PETERBOROUGH

On Wednesday morning, the delegation departed for the city of Peterborough, for the continuation of the Trade Mission Summit, with a conference session. In this session, we had various business presentations and investment opportunities, with the presentation of

Peterborough businesses and prospective partnerships by Mr. Tom Hennessy, CEO Opportunity Peterborough Network. He spoke about the importance of the newly founded ARU Peterborough University of Innovation and Technology, the first of its kind in UK, set to commence academic Sessions in September 2022. Another

highly informed presentation was made by Mr. Vincenzo Pampararo, Regional manager of Department for International Trade, East of England, who laid emphases on the need for more engagements and interaction between the both countries on trade relations and Investment, driven through regional cooperation with British businesses in the Agro-business produce, and Agro- tech Investment areas in the Cambridgeshire region. Mr. Pampararo assured delegates of DIT regional office's support in linking up such businesses with interested participants, he also shared his passion for Nigeria, which as a result of his numerous visits to Nigeria on business engagements hasdrawn him closer to working along businesses of mutual interest in Nigeria. In his welcome speech to Peterborough by Hon. Paul Bristow MP for Peterborough, who spoke to the delegates through a Zoom link. He started by apologizing for his physical absence at the venue, due to parliamentary duties and the weekly PMs Question-Time ongoing within that period. Paul used the opportunity to welcome the delegates to Peterborough, and assured them of his parliamentary support, for the continuous advocacy for better trading and Investment relations between the UK and Nigeria. There was

also a presentation by Mr. David Smith, Chairman of British African Business Alliance, who spoke on the YOUNG PEOPLE THE CATALYSTS FOR NATION-BUILDING, looking at investment in young people, creating an enabling and striving entrepreneurship environment in Nigeria, with a Diaspora engagement, through the Diaspora Direct Investment, DDI initiatives. Also equally interesting is the proposal of over \$100Billion Dollar, train infrastructure development investment by a team of Nigeria Diaspora rail infrastructure investor, brought up at the session by one of the management team, Dr. Emmanuel Ogbonna. There is an ongoing synergy with the NPA on the cargo freight train infrastructure for ports logistics services. This is a great opportunity for an improved systemic rail infrastructure development to support the various Export Free Zones, cargo ports and the supply chain networks. Other speakers at the highly interactive session includes, Mr. Iain Crighton of Allia Future Business Centre, Business Start-Up incubation, Mr. Chike of Angle Meals Peterborough, a food produce processing and packaging business with huge interest in Nigeria imports of vegetables and groundnuts.





At the Peterborough conference session at the Allia Future Business Centre with all delegates in attendance

On Thursday 28th April, the delegation was taking on a tour of the Modernized Free Trade Zone Business Park in Ely, an entrepreneurial town in Cambridge, where they met with the Director of Grovemere Properties: the managers of the business park, Lancaster Business Park Ely, who took time to take the delegation on a tour of the park, with an in-depth guide narration of the expectations of the business module and its projections for the future with hope that such venture could be replicated in Nigeria. The Director introduced the delegation to an inspiring young enterprising Nigerian who bought over a multi-million pounds precession engineering company in the business park; Mr. Ejike, CEO of Paragon Precision Engineering Limited. Mr. Ejike's company employs over 20 high skilled workers, in engineering technology designs, producing various spare parts for high key

value manufacturing companies around the world, including defense and aircraft industries. He bought over the two companies out of administration over a year ago, and has successfully turn it around into a growing business. In his words, he looks forward to liaising with any member of the delegation through Cater and Merger Consult, to see the areas of venture partnerships and inwards investment opportunities between his company and Nigeria, he also assured us of his support for expert training and skills acquisitions, including employment through the high skilled value scheme. The delegates were highly impressed and honored to meet a great Nigerian doing great things in the UK. The important take away from this visit is the opportunity of an inward investment in modern business park, build, manage and transfer, precession engineering, skills exchange program, and

work-placement.

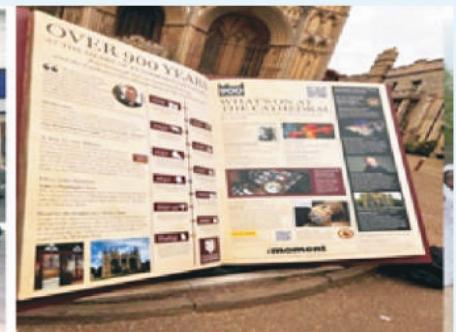
Grovemere Property Ltd is a family-owned commercial property business with a strong heritage and focus on exceeding customer expectations, based in Ely, Cambridgeshire.

Their flagship site, Lancaster Way Business Park, it strives to deliver a positive experience for occupiers and are always looking at how the Park can serve businesses both now and in the future. They are committed to sustainable park management and to supporting occupiers for the long-term. You can grow your business with Grovemere.

Lancaster Way Business Park is set in 175 acres and offers excellent amenities, green spaces to boost staff wellbeing and the latest tech including superfast broadband and dedicated leased lines. Occupiers also benefit from first-class 24/7 security, excellent transport links and can call on the supportive on-site management team who provide a rapid response to all enquiries. Home to over 85 diverse businesses who occupy a range of industrial and commercial properties, the Park could be the ideal location for your new headquarters. They can work with you to design and build a bespoke property where your business can flourish.



At the Lancaster Business Park in Ely, Cambridge, where the delegate's visited Mr. Ejike's Multi-Million Pounds Engineering Company.



Tour of one of the oldest cathedrals in the UK, over 900 years and still standing, Here Delegate's met one of Canons for a Brief History.

NIGERIA-UK INVESTMENT BREAKFAST

- Hosted by Chelgate Consulting

On Friday 29th April, Chelgate Consulting was honored to host an investment breakfast which brought together the trade delegation with UK businesses that already have significant investment in Nigeria and have aspirations to expand their operations. The investors include

the African Director for Genesis Energy Group, the Africa Sales Manager for Alvan Blanch (an agi business who works across the country and has done this for 55 years), and the Managing Director of GKB Ventures. GKB ventures specialize in infrastructure investments across Africa and have a few smaller projects in Nigeria but hope to partner with government on more substantial projects.

The breakfast began with a welcome from Chelgate's Executive Chairman, Terence Fane-Saunders and Managing Director Harry Burns. Attendees were then treated to an inspiring presentation from His

Excellency, Prince Clem Ikanade Agba, Minister of State, Budget and National Planning, Federal Republic of Nigeria. The Presentation covered the Nigerian Development Plan 2021-2025 and was very well received by all in the room.

Following the presentation, the investors were all invited up to ask questions of the Minister's presentation and give a short overview of their interests in Nigeria. After the Q&A, the rest of the delegates moved downstairs leaving the investors, the Minister and Chelgate Management to a private discussion. The private discussions covered specific areas of interest for the investors, plus general discussions about some of the challenges of investing in Nigeria and the perception about the ease of doing business in the country and inhibit foreign direct investment.

After the close of the meeting, the attendees gathered for photographs and further discussions.



At the Chelgate' Group Business Breakfast Meeting



UK-NIGERIA TRADE MISSION SUMMIT 2022

GALA NIGHT AND AWARDS

The UK-Nigeria Trade Mission Summit 2022, rounded up on Friday, 29th April with a Gala Night and Awards, hosted by the Universal Peace Federation at the federation Ball Room, Lancaster Gate, London. The event started with arrival of delegates and special guests, which included the Deputy Mayor of Bromley Council, Clir Tony Owen, His Excellency, Amb. Dr.

Marie. K. Manyeh, Sierra Leone High Commissioner to the UK, the Hon. Minister for Industry, Trade and Investment Nigeria, His Excellency, Hon. Otunba Adeniyi Adebayo, Mr. Mobin Rafiq, Chairman Commonwealth Entrepreneur Club, and many others. The event was anchored by Ms. Priscilla Nwakpo, a London based TV presenter and broadcaster, who took time to welcome and recognize all the delegates and special guests. In his welcome remarks, the Secretary General of Universal Peace Federation, Hon. Robin Marsh, a former Member of Parliament, welcomed everyone to the Peace House, where many peaceful initiatives and advocacy have been promoted for the good of humanity, and earth; he wished all guests a lovely evening of peace and prosperity. The special guest of honor and Keynote Speaker, His Excellency, Hon. Otunba Adeniyi Adebayo, the Hon. Minister for Industry, Trade and Investment Nigeria, delivered his presentation first by showing appreciation to the facilitators of

UK-Nigeria Trade and Investment Mission Summit 2022, for all the efforts put together to hold a successful week-long event, he then went on to look at the relationship between the UK and Nigeria, which he emphasized to be in the right pathway, and making good progress. He mentioned that his visit to London has paved way for a further improvement in the trading relations with the UK, as he continues to project Nigeria's readiness for business and industrial revolution, with the government's establishment of more Special Economic Zones, to encourage industrial and manufacturing investment in Nigeria, which he was very proud to promote its values at various sessions during the activities of the Trade and Investment Mission Summit. He further spoke about the increasing trade volumes between the two countries.

Following the Hon. Minister's Keynote Speech, were presentations from Prof. Ngozi Okike, Chair of Book Aid Africa, the representative of the MD of Nigeria Port Authority, Mrs. Eniola Williams, who presented an overview prospect of the Authority operations and areas of cooperation, and partnerships. There was a presentation by the representative of the MD of Nigeria Export Processing Zone Authority by Dr. Oyekunle Rasheed, who also presented an overview of functions and opportunities of the Export Processing Zone, as a one stop platform for managing

exports related activities from Nigeria to the rest of the world. The evening did not end without the presentation of membership certificates to newly endorsed members of the Commonwealth Entrepreneurs Club UK and the Award of Peace Ambassadors of the Universal Peace Federation, with His Excellency's the Hon. Minister for Industry, Trade and Investment, Nigeria and the Sierra Leone High Commissioner to the UK receiving UPF Peace Ambassadors Awards. The Vote of Thanks was done by Ms. Joy Opara, the Nigeria Country Director of CaterandMerger Consult Ltd, the facilitators of the summit, who in her words acknowledged the Hon. Minister's commendations of CaterandMerger Consult's efforts of managing the Trade Mission, which was a successful event. She

thanked all the delegates for their participation and contributions, the Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment Nigeria, the Director of Investment and went on to wish all a safe return back to Nigeria. Ms. Opara appreciated the various contributions of all summit guests and resource persons. Mrs. Kemi Arodudu, the Director of Investment, Nigeria Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment, the Trade Mission official collaborator, in her vote of thanks scored the trade mission excellently. She used the opportunity to thank all the delegates, from the public and private sectors that successfully attended and participated throughout the summit, the Hon. Minister's, PMs, fellow Directors and all the hosts of key meetings and tours in London and Peterborough cities, she went on to promise a greater event next year.



At the Friday, 29th UK-Nigeria Trade and Investment Mission Summit Gala Night
at the UPF House, London.



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SOME DELEGATES RECEIVING AWARDS

Conclusion:

On an overall review of the week-long Trade and Investment Mission Summit, which included conferences, roundtable/private business meetings, companies premise tour and meetings across London and Peterborough cities.

There are three takeaway points and propositions:

1. Lord Taylor of Warwick, Lord Carlile and Hon. Paul Bristow MP, expressed desires to help push through the UK parliamentary sessions, advocacy for a better trade relation and deals for Nigeria, post-Brexit arrangements. As the collective feeling of Nigeria being at the head of queue and picking order on the discussion and negotiations timeframe.

2. The improved trading deals and support reached with Wanis International Foods UK, the biggest importer of Nigeria Food Produce to the UK, after a successful meeting with the management team and the delegates, the company has agreed in full to increase its imports from Nigeria through signing more MOUs with local producers/suppliers and by helping out with the issues of quality and packaging in line with the UK regulation. This is great achievement. The company would be in Nigeria soon.

There was also another major takeaway at the Peterborough Session, with the understanding of the major issues of produce processing, third party countries

export channels, such as Ghana and the need to have a country-of-origin protection for major Nigeria foods, such as; Yam, Gari, Palm Oil, and Groundnut. We got support from Mr. Vincenzo of DIT East of England, regional office, and also another support came from one Nigeria entrepreneur and importer of Nigeria produce based in Peterborough, Mr. Chike CEO. Angle Meals Ltd UK, who imports produce such as groundnuts to the UK. At the end of discussions, it was resolved to build a synergy for cooperation, to work with relevant government agencies on both sides to review the challenges quality and packaging standards for Nigeria, to allow direct imports, rather than using third party country routes. Establishing Food produce country of Origin Identity rule.

3. The other takeaway from the Peterborough company tour of Lancaster Business Park and Mr. Ejike Okoye's, Multi-Million Paragon Engineering in Ely, Cambridgeshire, the key points here, is the value of developing and managing a good functional infrastructure network for sustainable development in an era of industrial and manufacturing drive, with strong emphasis on good roads and power generation; Mr. Harvey of Lancaster Business Park and Mr. Ejike are ready and willing to support and equally interested in investment opportunities. At the Chelgate Private Breakfast Meeting, the main takeaway are issues surrounding capital investment, and Agro equipment manufacturing interests, as raised at the meeting, captured on the brief report by

Chelgate on this main report, looking at further investment and partnerships interests by Alvan Blanch Agro-Engineering Business, and GKB Ventures, an infrastructure investment vehicle.

Following all the above takeaways, major investment and venture partnerships opportunities, as emphasized by the interest parties, it's now down to the facilitator, Cater and Merger Consult Ltd, to follow up with the concerned parties by

opening up the connectivity, engagement and eventually establishing the business relationship with a deal for partnerships or investment in the next 6-12 months.

Finally, Cater and Merger Consult Ltd, is hoping to facilitate a return Trade Mission to Nigeria by UK businesses, and investors before the end of the year, this is to balance our moral compass of inter-country Trade and Investment exchange opportunities post-Brexit.



Group photographs with some of the delegates.

THE LONDON POLITICAL SUMMIT AND AWARDS 2022

AS FACILITATED BY CATERANDMERGER CONSULT LTD.,
12th-14th Oct. 2022. City of London



The 7th London Political Summit and Awards 2022 came to an end on Friday the 14th of October 2022 with a Dinner and Awards night. The Summit is a yearly summit which began in 2016 which advocates for the need for political order, democratic peace and good governance amongst developing countries through dialogue and cooperation. The event honored political and community leaders around the world for their outstanding performance in obtaining political order, democratic peace in their countries or spheres of influence.

It was a 3 days event in the United Kingdom which was chaired by Professor Kishan Devani. BEM, FRSA, Honorable Paul Bristow MP as the Parliamentary Host. The Summit played host to the Governor of Akwa Ibom State, Udom Emmanuel as the Keynote Speaker who spoke on "Achieving Global Peace Through Trade" on Wednesday at the House of Commons, Westminster, London. The Governor advocated that the attainment of peace through fair trade will remain a mirage if Africans continue to surrender their unprocessed raw materials for export to advanced countries. In his message he said and I quote "Until value addition is undertaken by raw material bearing African countries and technology is transferred, fair trade will only remain an ideological concept, existing only in theory."

The Akwa Ibom State Governor was accompanied by the Akwa Ibom State House Speaker, Aniekam Bassey; Commissioner for Information and Strategy, Comrade Ini Ememobong; Chief Press Secretary, Mr. Ekerete Udoh, Special Assistant on Public Relations, Raphael Edem and Dr. Victor Adoji.

Also present at the Summit were great faces and personalities that graced this year's 7th Annual London Political Summit and Awards Dinner Gala Night, the first of its kind in the 7 years history. The event was held in the luxury boutique hotel by Oxford Circus, The Mandeville Hotel owned by an Indian Billionaire, who was present as one of host guest. In attendance were big players in the sports industry, auto industry, construction industry, legal and PR, business leaders and political leaders within the UK, Europe, US and Nigeria. Many thanks goes to this year's summit Chairman Prof. Kishan Devani BEM, Summit Keynote Speaker His Excellency Governor Udom Gabriel Emmanuel of Akwa Ibom State, represented by the Hon. Commissioner of Information and Strategy Bar. Ini Ememobong and his dear wife, Cllr. Muhammad Butt, the Council Leader London Borough of Brent, Princess of Burundi and HRH. Drani Stephen Izakare, the paramount ruler of Madi people in Uganda and many other great personalities.

'Trade fairness possible through value addition, technology transfer'

Akwa Ibom Governor Udom Emmanuel has advocated that the attainment of peace through fair trade will remain a mirage if Africans continue to surrender their unprocessed raw materials for export to advanced countries.

Presenting a keynote address at the 7th London political summit with the theme: Achieving global peace through trade on Wednesday at the House of Commons, Westminster, London, Emmanuel argued: "Until value addition is undertaken by raw material bearing African countries and technology is transferred, fair trade will only remain an ideological concept, existing only in theory."

The political summit was organised by Carter and Merger Ltd., United Kingdom and chaired by Prof. Kushan Devani MBE, with MP for Peterborough, Hon. Paul Bristow as Parliamentary Host.

Among other key participants at the event were the Chairman of the Commonwealth Entrepreneurs Club, Mr. Mobin Rafiq and the Ambassador of Kyrgyz Republic (Kyrgyzstan) to the United Kingdom, His Excellency Ulan Djisopov.

Emmanuel was accompanied by Speaker Aniekan Bassey; Commissioner for Information and Strategy, Comrade Ini Ememobong; Chief Press Secretary, Mr. Ekerete Udoh, Special Assistant on Public Relations, Raphael Edem and Dr. Victor Adoji.

While in London, Emmanuel will also attend an investors' forum, coordinated by Commonwealth Entrepreneurs Club and focused on Small and Medium Enterprises, Maritime, Agriculture, renewable energy.

The Summit was organized by Carter and Merger Consult Limited.





At the London Political Summit Investors Forum, the Governor of Akwa Ibom State, His Excellency, Mr. Udom Emmanuel invited Dr. Emeka Agwu, Chairman of PJ-IC Inc. USA and Mr. David Smith of British African Business Alliance UK, to further discussions in Akwa Ibom with key stakeholders of the State. The meeting was a formal identification with the state, and its project/developmental needs.

Dr. Emeka presented the Rice Mill Parboiling processing plant for food processing and rice cake production and the Gas Cylinder plant with a zero explosives ratio capacity. PJ-INC is hoping to set up this new technology and building its first plant in Akwa Ibom State, with the finished products supplying the market in Nigeria and other African countries.

Mr. David Smith did a presentation of the Entrepreneurship Vocational College Project. This is a college that would innovate the process of skills acquisition and entrepreneurship, with students being part of the business plan and growth.

At the end of the presentations the Governor mandated the Secretary to the State Government and relevant Commissioner's to the projects to engage further with the investors for the next stage. His Excellency also presented each investor with the Akwa Ibom State Plaque of Goodwill and Friendship.

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Photos from the Investors Summit at the Commonwealth Entrepreneurs Club



Photos from the House of Commons Session





Excerpts from the Award Dinner Night





THE ZAMFARA STATE UK EDUCATIONAL TOUR 2022

Zamfara

Cater and Merger Consult Ltd UK/Nig hosted Board Members from the Zamfara State Universal Basic Education Board led by the Executive Chairman, Hon. Abubakar Aliyu accompanied by the Hon. Perm. Secretary of the state Ministry of Education and Finance, the Chairman State House of Assembly, House Committee on Basic Education and other top directors of the board.

The delegation who were in London to attend a seven days Workshop Program and School Tour as one of the World Bank Universal Basic Education assisted program for disadvantaged states with low educational output in Nigeria.

Cater and Merger Consult Ltd UK, in Collaboration with Zumunchi Travel and Tours Ltd, Alh. Musa Muhammad, the local consultant to the board, and our facilitating partner, Across Atlantic UK, put together an informative and practical program on

“Understanding the UK Educational Systems and Practices” with a one day workshop, a tour held at Imperial College and the Science Museum in South Kensington, a two days in-house workshop at the Hilton Olympia, a Boat Cruise along the Thames River, from Battersea Power Station Pier to Canary Wharf, a formal courtesy visit to the Nigeria High Commissioner, Amb. Ishola Tunji Sarafa, who received the delegation at the High Commission Conference Room and finally the delegation, went on a tour of Hollydale Primary School in Nunhead, South East London where the school's Head Teacher, staff and students received the delegation with a warm reception. The students sang and interacted with the delegation who later was guided on a full tour of the school facilities and teaching experience by the Head Teacher.

The delegation were highly impressed with the whole program of activities and thus looking forward to making good progress with some of the key take-home points such as; improving on the quality of educational infrastructures, learning environment, managing student capacity, train-the-trainer, implementation and evaluation systems.

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Photos from the Workshop/Training by Cater and Merger Consult Ltd.













THE 2ND ANNUAL UK-NIGERIA TRADE & INVESTMENT MISSION SUMMIT 2023

20TH - 28TH AUGUST 2023

LONDON

BIRMINGHAM

THEME:
**"BUILDING SUSTAINABLE TRADING &
INVESTMENT ROOTS:
AND UNDERSTANDING THE
'RULES OF ORIGIN FOR NIGERIA'"**

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OUR HOSTS AND SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKERS



H.E Amb. Sarafa Tunji Isola
(Nigerian High Commissioner UK)
Chief Host



Cllr. Chaman Lal
(Lord Mayor Birmingham city Council)
Birmingham City
Mayoral Host



Prof. Kishan Devani BEM
Summit Chairman



Mallam Farouk A. Salim
(DG/CEO S.O.N)
NGN Delegation Lead and
Special Keynote Speaker



Mr. Adoyi John Ochigbo
FNAH, FISL, COMEG Regd
(Director, RBOI, Federal Ministry of
Water Resources, Nigeria)
Special Guest Speaker



Mr. Mobin Rafiq
(Chairman, CEC)
Special Guest
Speaker



Prince Afolabi Andu
(Chairman, Nigerian
Global Business Forum)
Special Guest
Speaker



Mr. Nzube Ufodike
(Investor & co-founder
Amoo Angels UK)
Special Guest
Speaker



Cllr Muhammed Butt
(Leader of Council
London Borough of Brent)
Special Guest
Speaker



Prof. Hon. Steve Azaiki OON
Special Guest
Speaker



Mr. David Smith
(Chairman, BABA)
Special Guest
Speaker



Prince Kunle Aderemi
(CEO, Invest Africa Media Ltd. UK)
Special Guest
Speaker



Mr. Rod Bassett
(Director, United Green Ltd. UK)
Special Guest
Speaker



Dr. Ikechi Agbugba PhD
(Agriculture economist)
Special Guest
Speaker



Dr. Clinton Liu
(CEO, MCG. Group)
Special Guest
Speaker



HRH Prof. Mrs. Victoria Adesuyi
(MD, AgroAllied Commodities)
Special Guest
Speaker



Dr Lawrence Jones-Esan
(Management Strategist,
York St. John's University)
Special Guest
Speaker



Mr. Stephen Adeoye
(CEO, Green Leben Initiative
GLI Germany)
Special Guest
Speaker



Mr Tom Stevens
(Director, Cambridge
Commodities Ely, UK)
Special Guest
Speaker



Engr. Patrick Obidoyin
(Chartered Engineer &
Entrepreneur)
Special Guest
Speaker





EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



The 2nd Annual UK – Nigeria Trade and Investment Mission Summit 2023 was a week-long event which took place from the 20th to the 28th August 2023 in the United Kingdom. The week-long event included other activities like business tours, courtesy visits, private business deal making roundtable meetings for delegation and specially invited guest. As we all know, trade between the United Kingdom and Nigeria has been flourishing over the years, contributing significantly to the economic growth of both nations. The purpose of this summit was to further strengthen bilateral relations and explore untapped opportunities for collaboration and investment. The event brought together a diverse range of professionals, entrepreneurs, government officials, and industry leaders from both countries. The impressive turnout showcased the mutual enthusiasm and commitment to fostering meaningful business partnerships.

With a carefully curated agenda, the summit offered a platform for interactive discussions, knowledge sharing, investment opportunities for funding and pitching and also networking opportunities. Renowned experts delivered insightful keynote speeches, delving into crucial topics ranging from trade policies and regulation to investment strategies and emerging sectors. In addition to stimulating panel discussions and informative presentations, participants also had the chance to engage in one-on-one meetings and collaborative workshops.



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

These sessions facilitated in-depth conversations, allowing attendees to explore potential synergies and identify viable business prospects.

One of the key highlights of the summit was the signing of several Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) between UK and Nigerian companies. These MoUs signify the commitment and willingness to forge enduring partnerships, aimed at bolstering trade and investment between the two nations.

Furthermore, the summit showcased the untapped potential across various sectors, including technology, agriculture, renewable energy, infrastructure, healthcare, and education.

Participants were provided with first-hand insights into the emerging investment opportunities, strategic entry points, and the necessary support mechanisms available to facilitate successful business ventures.

The success of the summit is testament to the unwavering dedication and tireless efforts of the Cater and Merger Consult business team. Their meticulous planning, attention to detail, and passion for fostering international collaboration resulted in an event that exceeded expectations and exceeded objectives.

This remarkable event has strengthened our resolve to continue bridging the gap between the United Kingdom and Nigeria, promoting mutual growth, and fostering enduring partnerships. Together, we can cultivate a thriving business ecosystem that unlocks the full potential of our nations and propels us towards a more prosperous future.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all the esteemed participants, speakers, sponsors, and partners who contributed to the grand success of this summit. Your presence and active involvement have undoubtedly paved the way for a more prosperous future in UK-Nigeria trade and investment relations.

The summit conference was held on the second day at York St John University London campus open conference centre, thanks to Dr. Larry Jones-Esan the Director of Education and the school Dean for hosting us this year. We look forward to future editions of the UK-Nigeria Trade and Investment Mission Summit and the countless opportunities it will bring in strengthening the relationship between the countries.

SUMMIT ITINERARIES & PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

 **20th August:** Delegates Arrival to London

 **21st August:** Delegates Courtesy Visit to the Nigeria High Commissioner, at the Nigeria House, London. Host: Amb. Sarafa Tunji Isola OFR.

First London Business Tours; Port of London, Africa Centre and Bantuway Foods.

 **22nd August:** Trade Mission Business Conference Opening session london venue (York St. John's University, London Campus)

 **23rd August:** Second London Business Tours; Bantuway Foods, Wanis International Foods, Port of London

 **24th August:** Morning Departure from London and Arrival at Birmingham City. Official Courtsey Visit to the Lord Mayor of Birmingham City, City Council and presentation of certificates

 **24th August:** Birmingham Business Roundtable Meeting for Delegation and special invited guests (business leaders)

 **25th August:** Evening Departure from Birmingham City to London.

 **26th August:** Cultural festival

 **27th August:** Delegates Rest Day

 **28th August:** Delegates Departure from the United Kingdom



 **21ST AUGUST**

 **11:00AM**

COURTESY VISIT TO NIGERIA HIGH COMMISSION

 **Nigeria House, London**

Day One: Courtesy Visit to the Nigeria High Commission

- **11:00 - 11:30:** Arrival of Delegation at the Embassy. London
- **11:30 - 12:00:** Delegation and Guests seated.
- **12:00 - 12:10:** Opening Speech by Head of Trade and Investment. Mr. Bello.
- **12:10 - 12:20:** Introduction of Delegation and Mission Officers
- **12:20 - 12:30:** Speech by Head of Delegation- Mallam Farouk A. Salim- DG S.O.N
- **12:30 - 13:00:** His Excellency's special address - Amb. Sarafa Tunji Isola OFR
- **13:00 - 13:45:** Goodwill messages from few delegates and invited business leaders
- **13:45 - 14:00:** Closing remarks by Prof. Kishan Devani BEM- Summit chairman
- **14:00:** End of Session and group photographs and drink reception



22ND AUGUST

10:00AM

LONDON BUSINESS CONFERENCE DAY

York St. John's University, London Campus (Export House)

Day two: Conference Day Program

- **10:00:** Delegates and guests arrival and registration
- **10:00 - 10:30:** Tea/Coffee reception
- **10:30 - 10:40:** Introduction of MCs, Guests of Honour and Delegates.
- **10:40 - 10:50:** Opening Speech by Summit Chairman- Prof. Kishan Devani BEM.
- **10:50 - 11:00:** Special Speech by His Excellency- Amb. Sarafa Tunji Isola. OFR. Nigerian High Commissioner to the UK
- **11:00 - 11:10:** Welcome Speech and Declaring of Summit Open by Dean of Studies, York St. John's University, London Campus.
- **11:10 - 11:20:** Special Guest of Honour and Keynote Speaker- Mallam Farouk A. Salim, DG, S.O.N Nigeria
- **11:20 - 11:40:** Tea/Coffee Break
- **11:40 - 12:00:** Paper Presentation By Mr Ochigbo Adoyi John - Director RBOI Ministry of Water Resources Nigeria
- **12:00 - 12:20:** Paper Presentation By Mr Rod Bassett- Director of Agriculture and Food United Green UK.
- **12:20 - 12:30:** State / Agency Video documentary: S.O.N , Ministry of Water Resources
- **12:30 - 13:15:** Lunch Break
- **13:15 - 13:30:** Paper Presentation- Mr Tom Stevens, Director of Operations, Cambridge Commodities Ely UK
- **13:30 - 14:00:** Panel of Discussion. Moderator- Hon. Prof. Steve Azaiki OON
- **14:00 - 14:30:** Q&A
- **14:30 - 15:00:** Business Networking
- **15:00:** End of Summit Conference.

LONDON BUSINESS TOURS - 23RD AUGUST



BANTUWAY FOODS

10:00 AM -12:00 PM

56 North Woolwich Rd, London E16 2AA.

**OWNER- Chief. Patrick Idah OBE.
The African to open a Meat Processing Plant in the United Kingdom.**



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13:00-15:00 PM

Golden House, Golden Business Park , Orient Wy, London E10 7FE.

MD- Mr. Sanjay.



PORT OF LONDON

16:00-17:30 PM

**Leslie Ford House,
Tilbury RM18 7EH.**



24TH AUGUST

02:00PM

COURTESY VISIT TO THE LORD MAYOR OF BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL & PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES

Council House, Birmingham

Day Four: Courtesy Visit to the Lord Mayor of Birmingham City Council

- **14:00 - 14:30:** Delegates arrives Birmingham City Council.
- **14:30 - 15:00:** All delegates and Guests seated in the Council Chamber.
- **15:00 - 15:05:** Introduction of Delegation and Council Members. By Kunle Aderemi
- **15:05 - 15:10:** Welcome Speech by the Lord Mayor of the City of Birmingham
- **15:10 - 15:20:** Response Speech by Head of Nigeria Delegation - DG S.O.N
- **15:20 - 15:45:** Interactive Session/Request for City Twining
- **15:45 - 15:50:** Closing
- **15:50 - 16:00:** Group Photographs
- **16:00:** End of Visit.



BIRMINGHAM BUSINESS ROUNDTABLE MEETING FOR DELEGATION AND SPECIAL INVITED GUESTS (BUSINESS LEADERS)

 **Birmingham City Centre**

 **24TH AUGUST**

 **17:00PM**



CULTURAL FESTIVAL - 26TH AUGUST



CULTURAL FESTIVAL

11:00 AM -15:00 PM

 London





WHY THE TWO CITIES?



The City of Birmingham

Birmingham is the second largest city of the United Kingdom and a metropolitan borough in the West Midlands metropolitan county. It lies near the geographic centre of England, at the crossing points of the national railway and motorway systems. Birmingham is the largest city of the West Midlands conurbation, one of England's principal industrial and commercial areas, for which it acts as an administrative, recreational, and cultural centre. The city lies approximately 110 miles (177 km) northwest of the city of London. Birmingham remains the chief centre of Britain's light and medium industry and is still sometimes described as "the city of 1,001 different trades." The key to its economic success was the diversification of its industrial base, although it has been principally concerned with the metal and engineering trades. The largest single industry in terms of employment is the production of motor vehicles. Bicycles and motorcycles are made in the area, though the bicycle trade has declined. The city is also one of the main centres of the machine-tool industry since the 1970s. However, the city's service sector has grown to revive the manufacturing sector.



WHY THE TWO CITIES?

The City of London



London is a leading city on a world-wide scale. With over eight million residents, 40 universities and hundreds of global businesses headquartering there, it is an international capital that has provided a draw for firms for centuries.

London is the world's most international and connected financial centre, providing unrivalled access to global markets. It is a magnet for workers from around the world, who make up a diverse pool of financial and professional services specialists, with huge diversity, deep human linkages to virtually every economy globally. We hope to leverage on the huge technological innovation hubs, developing new digital solutions for Agribusinesses, including distribution networks and supply chain integration



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8th LONDON POLITICAL SUMMIT & AWARDS 2023



THEME

"How Can the People. Politics and Power sustain peace"

DATE: 18th - 20th October 2023

VENUE: House of Parliament Westminster Palace

VENUE: The London Borough of Southwark

VENUE: Copthorne Tara Hotel, Scarsdale Pl,
London W8 5SY. High Street Kensington



OUR HOSTS, ESTEEMED GUESTS AND SPEAKERS



AMB. DR. JOSEPHINE OJAIMBO
COUNCIL CHAIRMAN



PROF. KISHAN DEVANI BEM
SUMMIT CHAIRMAN



CLIR. MICHAEL SITU
(THE WORSHIPFUL MAYOR
OF SOUTHWARK)
MAYORAL HOST



H.E UDOM GABRIEL EMMANUEL
(FORMER GOVERNOR OF AKWA IBOM STATE)
SPECIAL GUEST



HON. PAUL BRISTOW MP
(MP FOR PETERBOROUGH CITY)
PARLIAMENTARY HOST



H.E PST UMO ENO
(EXECUTIVE GOVERNOR OF AKWA IBOM STATE)
SPECIAL GUEST



H.E JULIUS MAADA BIO
(PRESIDENT/HEAD OF STATE
REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE)
SPECIAL GUEST



MR KPALETE AGOSSEOU KPADC
(ACTING HIGH COMMISSIONER,
HIGH COMMISSION OF TOGO IN LONDON)
SPECIAL GUEST



PROF. HON. STEVE AZAIKI OON
SPECIAL GUEST



HON. ELISHA JACK ORARO
(HONORABLE SPEAKER,
THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KISUMU)
SPECIAL GUEST



HON. PASTOR NIYI ZACCHEUS
(CHAIRMAN, NIGERIANS IN DIASPORA
ORGANISATION UK SOUTH.LONDON.)
SPECIAL GUEST



MR HILAIRE AGNANA
(ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE
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HIGH COUNCIL OF TOGOLESE ABROAD (HCTE))
SPECIAL GUEST



H.E. PROF. PAULINE LONG
(FOUNDER/CEO DCCL)
CO-CONVENER



SUSAN FAJANA THOMAS OBE
(CABINET MEMBER FOR COMMUNITY SAFETY
AND REGULATORY SERVICES IN HACKNEY)
SPECIAL GUEST





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2023



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COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AT THE END OF THE 8TH LONDON POLITICAL SUMMIT AND AWARDS 2023, HELD FROM THE 18TH- 20TH OF OCTOBER, 2023 IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

INTRODUCTION:

It was a great weekend of resourceful activities during the well-attended 8th London Political Summit and Awards 2023 held in the city of London, United Kingdom.

DAY 1 PARLIAMENTARY SESSION

The LPSA 2023 Kicked off on the 18th of October 2023 with it's first day being the Parliamentary session at the Westminster Palace,

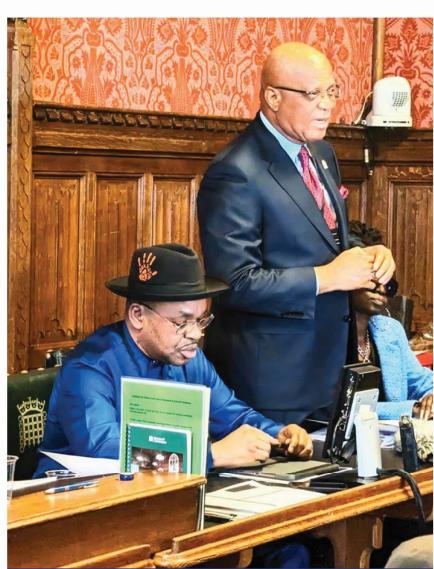
It was indeed a new dawn of political life, just as Plato, said in one of his great philosophical writings, that "A political life, is life in the polity" which means that all politicking is about the people and the society, this was the case at the first day session of the London Political Summit and Awards 2023, parliamentary sessions hosted by Hon. paul Bristow MP for Peterborough, with Hon. Jonathan Ashworth MP for Leicester South.

The Summit was also Chaired by Prof. Kishan Devani, with His Excellency, Dr. Morie Manyeh the High Commissioner of Sierra Leone representing the The country President, as Special Guest, while we had the Special Guest Keynote Speaker, HE. Udom Emmanuel, immediate past governor of Akwa Ibom state, ably supported by the Special Guest of Honour HE. Past. Umo Eno, the current Executive Governor of Akwa Ibom State, who showed so much respect to his immediate predecessor at the meeting, which was well noticed and highly commended by everyone in the room, with the summit Chair, Prof. Kishan echoing the observation, by saying that in his entire political career he has not been privileged at any political meetings in the UK, either with UK politicians or from other countries, seen a mutual relationship flowing between a predecessor and his successor in the spirit of peace, continuity and sustainable progress.

He went on to say that the act is a historic achievement, for Akwa Ibom people, Nigeria and Africa at large, he went on to say that, he hopes many politicians would follow the lead from this extraordinary achievement for the greater good of the polity.

In his paper presentation as keynote speaker, HE. Mr. Udom Emmanuel, emphasised the need for peace in the polity, which can transcend to prosperity, when people trade freely across internal and external borders, he used the opportunity to call for a stronger AU cooperation and sub-national unity. The parliamentary session ended on a good note, with the presentation of certificates of awards to outstanding UK MPs, community and business leaders, for their outstanding contributions to socio-political and economic growth in the UK, bridging the gap between public and private sectors engagements.





DAY 2 MAYORAL SESSION

The summit activities continued on the second day with the Mayoral session, hosted by the Worshipful Mayor of Southwark, Clir Michael Situ who is the civic leader and first citizen of the London Borough of Southwark, this borough has one the largest population of British-Africans, especially Nigerians, with over 8% of its over 20% registered businesses owned by Nigerians in the borough, the borough generates over £21B in annual revenue.

It was indeed a great privilege for the Mayor to host the Executive Governor of Akwa Ibom State, HE. Past. Umo. Eno to a civic and business opportunities meeting in the borough council house, and his Mayoral chamber, where key issues of interest, in terms of establishing mutual relationship and cooperation between the Borough leadership and the city of Uyo in Akwa Ibom state, this relationship and cooperation, as agreed would be focused on three key areas, Educational and Cultural Exchanges, Tourism and Investment in Waste to Energy opportunities, the structure and strategic planning for an effective follow up with this intercity engagement would be implemented in the coming weeks.

The Worshipful Mayor , inline with the Mayor's duties, presented the London Borough of Southwark Plaque of Honour for friendship with the people of Akwa Ibom to HE. Past. Umo Eno. This new found friendship and relationship with the London Borough of Southwark is going to be the beginning of greater opportunities in the socio-economic development of Akwa Ibom. Also at the meeting, there was a presentation by Mr. Niskan Etuk and Dorren, on the power of Community engagement and community policing strategy, they tend to use their new initiative to help advance the development of Community engagement and police relations in Akwa Ibom State.



PRIVATE FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT (FDI) ROUNDTABLE

The second day session came to an end with a private business meeting hosted by ByAfrica at their One Canada Square office, in Canary Wharf, this meeting captured the investment interests of the Gov. HE. Past. Umo. Eno, for Akwa Ibom state, especially on Agriculture and Ibom Sea Port development, with ByAfrica ready and willing to support the Governor to bring in investment funding capital of \$500M-\$1B within his first one year in office.

The day ended on a positive note with great enthusiasm for all parties at the two high level meetings.



DAY 3 AWARDS DINNER GALA NIGHT

This year's London Political Summit and Awards, came to an end on Friday 20th October, with the Awards Dinner Gala Night, at the Copthorne Tara Hotel, in Kensington. This evening event was well attended by cross nationalities, from British to Asians, and Afro -Caribbean countries, which gave it a global reputation and recognition.

The evening was moderated by a renowned British-Nigeria broadcaster and media personality based in the UK, Ms. Priscilla Nwakpo. In his welcome speech, the Co-Convener of the annual summit, Mazi Godson Azu, extended his gratitude to all the political, diplomatic, business, community leaders, and invited guests for gracing the award dinner night. He went on to assure everyone of a wonderful evening of celebration and resounding networking. The Chair of the Summit, Prof. Kishan Devani BEM, in his opening speech equally thanked all invited guests for coming, he mentioned that the summit awards ceremony is obviously getting better with an improved representation of political, diplomatic and community leaders, which reflects on the true purpose of the summit's goals and expectations.

The summit Chair, went on to present the first award of the night, to the President of the Republic of Sierra Leone, H.E. President Julius Maada Bio, as LPSA's African President of the Year 2023. The award was received on behalf of the President, by the High Commissioner of Sierra Leone to the United Kingdom, HE. Amb. Dr. Morie Manyah.

In accepting the "African President of the Year 2023" award on behalf of H.E. President Julius Maada Bio, Dr. Morie Manyeh expressed gratitude to the LPSA conveners for recognizing a President who has re-established Sierra Leone on the global map of education, given greater confidence and more hope to Sierra Leonean women in society, and removed historical legal barriers to democracy and good governance, such as the elimination of the Libel Laws and the Death Penalty.

Ambassador Manyeh pointed out that after the successful implementation of the Free Quality Education policy, H.E. President Julius Maada Bio is now embarking on another significant component of his Human Capital Development Agenda—a revolutionary agricultural undertaking set to collaborate with citizens in producing enough food for the nation as well as for export.

Despite facing its own battles with global challenges, Sierra Leone, under President Bio's leadership, has maintained peace and cohesion through commendable inclusive policy choices and insightful leadership. In its 2023 Global Peace Index, the Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP), the world's leading measure of global peacefulness, placed Sierra Leone as the 3rd most peaceful country in sub-Saharan Africa and the 47th most peaceful country globally.

Dr. Manyeh encouraged political and business leaders to explore the investor-friendly environment and outstanding business opportunities in Sierra Leone. It is worthy to point out that this marks the second time H.E. President Bio has been honored by the LPSA. In 2021, he received the "West African President of the Year 2021" award.

Since its establishment in 2016, the LPSA has served as a vital platform for addressing contemporary social and political issues, and for recognizing the positive works of the business community and political leaders' engagements across borders within and between the United Kingdom and the African continent, as well as in the diaspora community.

This is in sync with the primary objective of the London Political Summit, which endeavours to advance political order, promote peace, and good governance through dialogue and cooperation, facilitate meaningful investment, and strengthen international partnerships.

DAY 3 AWARDS DINNER GALA NIGHT

Participants at these annual summits include Presidents/Heads of Governments, Community and Business Leaders, Academics, Thought Leaders, and Civil Society Organizations.

Some of the past recipients of the political leadership category comprise of, His Excellency Uhuru Kenyatta, former President of Kenya; His Excellency the Rt Hon. Raila Amoo Odinga, former Prime Minister of Kenya; His Excellency Dr. Prof. Peter Arthur Mutharika, former President of Malawi; and His Excellency Dr. Lazarus McCarthy Chakwera, the current President of Malawi.

This year's LPSA recipients in other categories include the Rt Hon. Jonathan Michael Graham Ashworth MP, Labour Shadow Minister, as (UK Parliamentarian of the Year 2023), Cllr. Michael Situ, The Worshipful Mayor of London Borough of Southwark as, (London Borough Mayor of the Year 2023). This year's special award recognition as 'LPSA Global Ambassador' went to HE. Mr. Udom Emmanuel, the immediate past Executive Governor of Akwa Ibom State, South-South, Nigeria, the award was received on his behalf by the Hon. Commissioner for Information and Strategies, Hon. Barr. Ini Ememobong. The African Diplomatic Ambassador of the Year, went to the Acting High Commissioner of the Republic of Togo to the United Kingdom, and several other businesses and community leaders who have made a positive impact in the Asian, Afro-Caribbean diaspora engagement in the UK.

The evening came to a successful ending with a warm vote of thanks by Dr. Joy Opara, the Nigerian Country Director of Cater and Merger Consult, the facilitators of the Summit. Cater and Merger Consult UK, are highly delighted to powering this year's summit activity. The London Political Summit and Awards remains a social enterprise, independent of any external influence, but persuaded by the desire to promote and bridge the gap between politics and business relations in our society, in the quest to advance the need for democratic peace.





PROGRAM OF EVENTS

18TH OCTOBER 2023

DAY ONE: PARLIAMENTARY SESSION

HOST: HON. PAUL BRISTOW - MP FOR PETERBOROUGH

MODERATOR: PROF. PAULINE LONG

11:00 am: Arrival of Delegates and Guests

11:10 am - 11:15 am: Introduction of Special Guests and Delegates by Summit Moderator.

11:15 am - 11:30 am: Parliamentary Host Welcome Address. Hon. Paul Bristow MP. For Peterborough

11:30 am -11:40 am: Summit Chairman Address: Prof. Kishan Devani BEM. FRSA.

11:40 am -11:45 am: A Brief Intro on LPSA. Mazi Godson Azu

11:45 am - 12:00 pm: Summit Keynote Speaker: His Excellency. Mr. Emmanuel Udom. Former Executive Governor of Akwa Ibom State.

12:00 pm - 12:30 pm: Summit Interaction with guest speakers.

His Excellency, The President of the Republic of Sierra Leone - Dr Julius Maada Bio (Represented by the Sierra Leone High Commissioner to the United Kingdom)

His Excellency, The Acting Ambassador of Togo to the United Kingdom

His Excellency, The Executive Governor of Akwa Ibom - Pastor Eno Umo

Hon. Prof. Steve Azaiki OON. Former Member Nigeria Federal House of Representatives.

Mr. Mobin Rafiq. Chairman Commonwealth Entrepreneurs Club. UK.

12:30 pm -12:40 pm: London Political Summit Awards Confirmation Certificates Presentation By. Hon. Paul Bristow MP

12:40 pm - 12:45pm: Vote of Thanks.

12:45 pm - 13:00 pm: End of Session and Networking





PROGRAM OF EVENTS

19TH OCTOBER 2023

DAY TWO:

MAYORAL SESSION AT LONDON BOROUGH OF SOUTHWARK

09:30 am: Arrival of Guests and Delegates

10:00 am - 10:10 am: Introduction of Guests

10am - 10:20 am: Welcome address by The Worshipful Mayor. Clir. Michael Situ.

10:20 am - 10:30 am: Summit Chairman Speech. Prof. Kishan Devani BEM.

10:30 am - 10:45 am: Guest Speaker. His Excellency, The Executive Governor of Akwa Ibom State-Pastor Eno Umo.

10:45 am - 11:00am: Second Guest Speaker - Leader of Kenya delegation

11:00 am - 11:30 am: Tea Break

11:30 am - 11:40 am: Third Guest Speaker

11:40 am - 12:30 pm: Special Interaction Session - Leader of Council /Cabinet Members and Foreign Delegation

12:30 pm - 13:00 pm: Closing Remarks/ Drink Networking

20TH OCTOBER 2023

DAY THREE:

MORNING SESSION - PRIVATE BUSINESS ROUNDTABLE MEETING (TBC)



PROGRAM OF EVENTS

**20TH OCTOBER 2023
DAY THREE: EVENING SESSION**

AWARDS /DINNER GALA NIGHT

17:00 pm : Arrival of Guests and Delegates/Drink Reception

18:00 pm - 18:10 pm: Guest be seated

18:10 pm - 18:20 pm: Introduction of Guests and Delegates - Prof. Pauline Long

18:20 pm - 18:30 pm Welcome speech

18:30 pm - 18:40 pm: Summit Chairman opening speech. By. Prof. Kishan Devani BEM.

18:40 pm - 18:50 pm: Special Guest of Honour - His Excellency The Executive Governor of Akwa Ibom State, Pastor Umo Eno

18:50 pm - 19:00 pm: Diplomatic and Business Communities Goodwill Message.

19:30 pm - 20:30 pm: Dinner Served

20:30 pm - 21:15 pm: LPSA Award Presentations/ Photographs

21:15 pm - 21:30 pm: Mr. Mobin Rafiq. Chairman Commonwealths Entrepreneurs Club. UK. Club Membership Awards

21:30 pm - 21:45 pm: Closing Remarks

21:45 pm - 23:00 pm: Music and Networking.





ABOUT LPSA

The London Political Summit and Awards, is a socio-political platform that began in 2016, with the support of key political leaders of thought and academia. Over the years, we have seen great contribution especially within the past summits. This has evolved to the establishment of the Annual Uhuru/Railia African Peace Accord Awards, in honour of the two great sons of African politics, President Uhuru Kenyatta of Kenya, and his brother, Rt. Hon. Railia Odinga the former Prime Minister of Kenya, whose peace accord initiative in 2018, brought about democratic peace in Kenya politics. The main advocacy of the London Political Summit is to propagate and advance the need for political order, democratic peace and good governance among developing countries, through dialogue and cooperation.

Having held the previous summit in 2016, 2017, and 2018 at the London Metropolitan University, Holloway Road in London, our Founding Academic partners. In the year 2018, we had the privilege of the Worshipful Mayor, Clir. Dave Poyser, as the Special Guest of Honour, we have also enjoyed a very strong support from Clir. Rakhia Ismail, the immediate past Mayor of Islington, she has been supporting the summit ever since its inception in 2016. It is worth mentioning the immeasurable support of the two-time Mayor of Enfield, Clir. Dr. Kate Analue who also hosted our 2019 summit in the London Borough of Enfield Council Chamber. We are indeed grateful to Clir. Rakhia Ismail again for the return of the summit to the Borough of Islington in 2021. A warm appreciation to The Worshipful Mayor of Islington, Clir. Troy Gallagher for hosting the summit in the Great Council Chamber just few weeks after Covid Freedom in the UK.

The London Political Summit Chairperson and Global Ambassador is Her Excellency. Amb. Dr. Josephine Ojiambo, Former Deputy Secretary, General of the Commonwealth and former Kenya Ambassador to the UN.





LPSA 23 AWARD RECIPIENTS

1. His Excellency Dr. Julius Maada Bio, The President of the Republic of Sierra Leone - '**African President of the Year'**
2. His Excellency, Udom Emmanuel, Former Governor, Akwa Ibom State - '**Global Peace Ambassador**'
3. Mr. Paul Bristow MP - '**Parliamentary Session Host**'
4. Jonathan Michael Graham Ashworth
MP for Leicester South - '**UK Parliamentarian of the Year 2023.**'
5. Councillor Michael Situ, The worshipful Mayor of Southwark - '**London Borough Mayor of the Year 2023'**
6. Mr. Kpalete Agossou Kpade, Acting High Commissioner, High Commission of Togo in London - '**African Diplomatic Ambassador of the Year 2023'**
7. Cllr. Dr. Susan Fajana-Thomas OBE, Representative, Stoke Newington Ward - '**BEMA Community Ambassador**'
8. The Managing Director, Tilda Rice United Kingdom - '**Afro-Caribbean Online Food Distribution Company of the Year 2023'**
9. The Managing Director, Wanis International - '**Afro-Caribbean Food Distribution Company of the Year 2023'**
10. Paul Harrison, Head of Community, Wanis International - '**Afro-Caribbean Community Ambassador of the Year 2023'**
11. The Managing Director, Samis Food Birmingham, UK - '**Afro-Caribbean Online Food Distribution Company of the Year 2023'**
12. Mr. Ravi Patel - '**UK Pharmacist of the Year 2023'**
13. Mr. Sam Wharfe, Director, C9 Recruitment UK - '**Fastest Growing Recruitment Agency 2023'**
14. Mr. Niyi Zaccheus, Chairman, Nigeria in Diaspora Organisation. UK South - '**Diaspora Ambassador of the Year 2023'**
15. Mr. Manish Tiwari - '**The Change-Maker Advertising & Media Agency of the year 2023'**
16. Mr Kurji Kerai Elmpride Ltd. UK - '**Best Waterproofing Company of the Year 2023'**
17. Channels TV London Bureau - '**Diaspora Media house of the Year 2023'**



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