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Ref: Appeal on Grounds of Inappropriate Marking for TMA01

Dear Hazel,

Good afternoon.

After receiving an assignment mark of 42% for your module, which is a core module I have been assigned on this programme, I am in complete shock at the level of critique you have applied to this assignment submission and would like to challenge the marking approach you have embarked upon for assessment of this particular module.

I have clearly been marked down due to the choice of organization, because I see no other reason why I should be marked down to such an extent. I have never received a mark as low as this in my entire time as a student and I researched this with more effort than I have many an essay.

My primary grievance, however, is with the way in which you have written the feedback on the regional context of the organization having already introduced the organization as internationally located in three continents. Which implies that while highlighting the free choice of an organization to focus on as being paramount to the significance of the case studies in the essay, also alludes to this notion of selection or choice as the source of much critique in your overly extended feedback.

Your criticisms indicate that you avoided awarding marks because my work was somehow wrong which is not my understanding of how marking should be.

Not only am I now very much distressed by the abrasive marking approach taken with respect to specific aspects of my essay assignment, which I perceive has clearly been marked in an overly critical manner, but I am hereby also pleading with you to reconsider the overall approach for some of the clearly overcritical comments you have relied upon as justification for marking this assignment as being of 42% standard.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Alfred Mayaki', written over a light blue grid background.

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