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Your Ref:	Our Ref:	Date:

Dear Graduate Admission Committee:

Obed has an outstanding interpersonal skill, and anyone who comes in contact with him thinks positively and favorably of him. His analytical abilities are highly impressive. I can report with confidence that I rank him in the top two percent of interns I have ever had the pleasure to know. He made himself really invaluable at the Agency, which is why even till date I and other staff still mention his name when advising interns. There is a test we usually administer to interns before they leave the lab and move on to another, the test is meant to test their understanding of the experiments carried out in the lab and the chemical principles behind the methodologies used. The highest score we ever recorded on that test was ninety two on a total of hundred, and that was about three years ago. Despite our efforts to upgrade the test questions for every batch of interns that have passed through the lab, Obed scored a nearly perfect score of ninety eight out of an overall score of hundred (98/100).

As the staff supervisor of intern students, I had a professional as well as a personal relationship with Obed since he was the coordinator of interns. All reports, complains and recommendations from interns gets to my desk through Obed. The most striking thing about Obed was that during his internship, he needed to raise some money to support himself, due to his humble background. He worked as a night guard at an estate that was about three miles away from Rimi, the area where he lived. He worked all week including weekends. He was able to report at his duty post every night without getting any query throughout the four months he spent working as guard. He had a red bicycle; he peddles it to work every night and every morning to the Agency. Of all the interns at the Agency, I admired him the most; although he worked as a night guard (not getting enough rest at night), he was always handling his responsibilities as an intern and was committed to learning. That denotes zeal and determination.

He was appointed to be the coordinator of the interns at the agency after spending three months with us. He led by example and was good at motivating other interns to learn and even do research during their internship. He was one coordinator who led by example. I can remember an incident where an intern mishandled the cuvette used for UV spectroscopic analysis and all the interns refused to identify who broke the cuvette. Obed came to my office with that intern and he told me he had spoken with her and that she was sorry for what she did. I could also see that she was sorry. Obed convinced her to say the truth and he accompanied her to my office just to encourage her in doing the right thing. Since then, he was one intern that I could trust to be in charge of the food lab whenever there was an in-house staff conference. He always did a good job maintaining order in the lab and amidst interns. Obed he has the maturity of mind, intelligence, patience, and creativity to do research. He always brings a fresh perspective and has the spirit of team work. I am certain that he will succeed in graduate school.

Whatever Obed did during his time at the Agency, he applied himself totally into it. He carried out his duties in the labs not as perfunctory but as a passion and I am very proud to say that he was the first intern student to be named the coordinator of interns. This was a position he earned by demonstration of unsurpassed leadership characters. With his outstanding academic records, experience at the agency as an intern and as a leader, I offer Mr. Obed Joshua Dodo my highest recommendation. I believe strongly that Obed has a bright future and will make your graduate school proud.

Signature
Name of recommender and title

