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Canadian-Nigerian Human Rights Engagements: A Critical Assessment

June 1-2, 2015
National Judicial Institute, Abuja, Nigeria

Monday, June 1, 2015

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| 9.00 am – 9:30am | Opening Remarks
Professor Deji Adekunle, Director-General, NIALS
Professor Obiora Okafor, Osgoode Hall Law School |
| 9:30am – 10:30am | Opening Ceremony
Justice (Dr.) C.C. Nweze, Supreme Court of Nigeria
Ambassador Perry Calderwood, Canadian High Commission |
| 10.30 am – 12.00 pm | Session 1 – Democratization

<i>“Canadian-Nigerian Human Rights Cooperation in the Area of Democratization”</i>

Uche Ngwaba, Research Fellow, Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies

<i>Discussant:</i>

Dr. Basil Ugochukwu, CIGI, Waterloo |
| 12:00 pm – 1.30 pm | Session 2 – Building Human Rights Institutions

<i>“A Review of Canadian-Nigerian Engagements in the Area of International Criminal Justice (1999-2011)”</i>

Izevbuwa Ikhimiukor, Research Fellow, Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies

<i>Discussant:</i>

Rahina Zarma, National Commission for Refugees of Nigeria |
| 1.30 pm – 2.30 pm | Lunch |
| 2.30 pm – 4.00 pm | Session 3 – Women’s Rights |

“Canadian-Nigerian Human Rights Cooperation in the area of Women’s Rights (1999 to 2011)”

Dr. Fatima Waziri-Azi and Jake Okechukwu Effoduh, Research Fellows, Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies

Discussant:

Uche Ngwaba, Research Fellows, Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies

4.00 pm – 4.30 pm

Tea Break

4.30 am – 6.00 pm

Session 4 – Economic and Social Rights

“Canadian-Nigerian Human Rights Cooperation in the Area of Economic and Social Rights (1999-2011)”

Saratu Bissallah and Jake Effoduh, Research Fellow, Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies

Discussant:

Zachary Lomo, Osgoode Hall Law School

Tuesday, June 2, 2015

9.00 am – 10:30 pm

Session 5 – Children’s Rights

“Canadian-Nigerian Human Rights Cooperation in the Area of Children’s Rights (1999-2011)”

Dr. Ibe Ifeakandu and Uche Ngwaba, Research Fellows, Nigerian Institute of advanced Legal Studies

Discussant:

Izevbuwa Ikhimiukor, Research Fellow, Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies

10.30 am – 12.30 pm

Session 6 – The Contributions of Canada and Nigeria to International Human Rights

“Nigeria’s Contributions to International Human Rights Praxis”

Professor Dakas C.J. Dakas, University of Jos and **Dr. Udoka Owie**, Baze University, Abuja

“Canada in a World of Human rights: Ethics, Commitment and Concern”

Dr. Basil Ugochukwu, CIGI, Waterloo

Discussant:

Dr. Fatima Waziri-Azi, Research Fellow, Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies

12:30 – 1:00pm

Tea Break

1:00 – 2:30pm

Session 7 – Refugees and Internally Displaced Persons

“Protection of Refugees and other Displaced Populations in Nigeria: Examining intergovernmental Collaborations between Nigeria and Canada”

Rahina Zarma, National Commission for Refugees of Nigeria

Discussants:

Professor Obiora Okafor, Osgoode Hall Law School

Ijeoma Anozie, Research Fellow, Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies

2.30 pm – 3.30 pm

Lunch

3.30 am – 5:00 pm

Session 8 – Theoretical Contributions of the Study

“Baxian TREMF Anxieties and Patterns of Norm Entrepreneurship in Canadian Nigerian Human Rights Engagements between 1999 and 2011: A Theoretical Overview”

Professor Obiora Okafor, Osgoode Hall Law School

“Sovereignty, the Responsibility to Protect, and Canadian-Nigerian partnership in the field of Human Rights between 1999 and 2011: Some theoretical Reflections”

Zachary Lomo, Osgoode Hall Law School

Discussants:

Professor Dakas C.J. Dakas, University of Jos

Dr. Basil Ugochukwu, CIGI, Waterloo

5:00 pm – 5:30pm

Session 8 – Closing Session and Wrap up

Professor Deji Adekunle, Director-General, NIALS

Professor Obiora Okafor, Osgoode Hall Law School