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Dr. San Juan,

REPORT OF INDUSTRIAL WORK EXPERIENCE/: MR. JOHNNY ORAEFO

Mr. Oraefo was introduced to me by Dr. Linda Hayden. I have a research collaboration with Linda. Prior to Johnny's trip to Nigeria, We had exchanged several mails. Because of these correspondences, I looked forward to meeting him

Johnny arrived in Nigeria mid May, 2010. I sent one of my staff to pick him up from the airport in Lagos. The following day, Johnny reported to our Centre, the GCLME/UNILAG Centre for Environmental Information Management System. The Centre is a Project Centre for the Guinea Current Large Marine Ecosystem Project, a regional project on coastal environmental problems for 16 countries of West and Central Africa facing the Atlantic Ocean from Guinea Bissau to Angola. From the first day, I briefed Johnny on the rules of the Centre which are punctuality to duty; commitment to duty; and willingness to learn. Throughout Johnny's stay with us, he observed the rules. Johnny's Industrial training was divided into two parts:

- Office Work
- Field Work

The Office Work comprised of improving his GIS skills; planning for his field trip to collect data; and analyzing and plotting his data. Johnny did this first part very diligently. I assigned one of my staff to guide him on GIS. He learnt very quickly and showed tremendous interest in his work. He also used this period to plan for his field trip, which was in Anambra State, a state in south east Nigeria. This first part of his project lasted for two weeks. Johnny left after two weeks to Anambra State for his field work.


The field work lasted for about three weeks and involved visiting and collecting of location coordinates of a number of erosion sites in the state; visiting of State and Local Government Offices; interviewing inhabitants of erosion prone areas on causes of erosion and its implications to the social lives and studying of the causes of erosion in the state. One of my staff who knew the state well was attached to him. Both of them had handheld GPS receivers. Again, Johnny showed so much enthusiasm and commitment. He visited several erosion sites. The final part of Johnny's work was plotting and analysis of his field data. The result I am sure he has submitted as part of his report.

Johnny showed that American spirit of friendship, commitment and dedication to duty. He is amiable and mixed very well with all my staff and students not minding that he is much older than all of them. He was able to establish lasting friendship with quite a



number of my staff. Johnny's commitment could be seen from his desire to be part of solving erosion problems in the state. I believe his report was well written. If I were to grade him judging from all aspects of his industrial experience, I would give him a score of "A".

Thank You.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a horizontal line with two large, overlapping loops above it.

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Professor of Surveying & Geoinformatics