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First, let me thank the commission for the financial assistance to scout for job in my home country- Nigeria. Apart from given me the opportunity to attend the interviews, going home was a good period for me to reunite with my family; and I consider the period as one of the most beautiful time spent with them since I left home. Also, I wish to thank Sylvia Zwick for her assistance throughout the process of my application. And to all whose efforts are not really conspicuous but important, I say thank you.

I left Germany on 19.02.2019 and I landed around 5 to 6pm Nigeria time. I thank God for journey mercies. Nothing much was really happening because it was general elections period in Nigeria. The atmosphere was calm and not much activities but political discussions everywhere. I could not make my journey to my state at the time we landed because it might take about 6 hours to get to the bus park from Lagos airport and finally to my state. I decided to put up in a hotel till the following day and made my way home. It was a refreshing moment to see my family again. We were filled with the joy of having chance to see each other. We cried! Tears of joy. I told them what brought me home and the financial support World University Commission gave me

to achieve my purpose of coming. They were all thankful for the support and wished me all the best in my preparations for the interviews. We ate and wine and friends came around to express their joy of seeing me again.

My first job interview was on 25.02.2019; and the remaining two followed the same precept. My credentials were passed round the panel to check. The only question I was asked was how different was I going to teach if I was offered the job? I told them my style was going to be different because of the skills I have got abroad which is not totally different from what we have back home but which is innovative in the sense that current practice in teaching demands giving more time to learners to use language than a teacher doing all the talking. I said my system will focus more on communicative methodology which is the area I found different from how I was taught at home. The session did not last long when I was told I would be contacted if I was found eligible.

On 4th of March was the interview for the post of Administrative Officers and the same principle of checking credentials was applied. I was asked if I had any other administrative qualifications apart from my degree results. I told them I had Administrative Staff College of Nigeria (ASCON) certificate and I passed with distinction. I brought it out for them to have a check of the certificate and my score. I also told them that I had done some part-time job in the field before I travelled which gave me some little experience. I was told to leave and I would be communicated if I was shortlisted for extended interview

I could not attend the last interview which was on 18.03.2019 due to illness. I spent the period in the hospital and I communicated this to the commission. However, I was given the grace to appear on 22.03.2019 with my medical proof. When I got there, no question was asked. They checked my credentials and told me to go and take care of myself and that if I was shortlisted I would be contacted.

I spent the rest of the time to prepare for my trip back to Germany and I arrived morning of 26.03.2019 as scheduled.

As at the point of filling these reports, there has been no any feedback from the commission; but I am hoping. I am doing following up enquiries to know my status. I will inform the commission if I am considered for extended interview in one the posts.

Thank you.