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DARKEST HUMANITY – CUTTING EDGE PAN AFRICAN BOOK

AUTHOR'S SUMMARY

DARKEST HUMANITY, a Pan African Book on immigrants' experience in the UK was published and launched on 17th September 2019, at the British Council in Accra, Ghana.

Media Response/Reviews: DARKEST HUMANITY has since been reviewed on a number of writers' platforms on radio in Ghana, including Zylofon FM, STARR FM 360 *Books and More Show*, Radio Universe *Read a Book a Week Programme*, Citi FM *Writers' Project*, Class FM *Authors' Haven* and the Ghana Broadcasting Corporation (GBC) Uniiq FM. The Book has also been reviewed in *The Mirror* column of *The View from Here* by a columnist Nana Kwasi Gyan-Apenteng, on Saturday October 5th 2019. Media activities in connection with DARKEST HUMANITY book can be accessed searching "Darkest Humanity."

DARKEST HUMANITY has also been featured on *The KSM Show* on Metro TV and *Good Evening Ghana* with broadcaster Paul Adom Otchere. Both programmes could be accessed via google search engine, using keywords "The KSM Show Darkest Humanity" and via the Facebook page of *Good Evening Ghana Official*, respectively. Some excerpts from the Book can also be accessed through my website: <https://maxwellmaundy.org>

Preamble: DARKEST HUMANITY details the epic journey of African immigrants across the Atlantic to help rebuild the British Establishment. After the Second World War, Britain lost most of its active workforce to the war. This resulted in Labour shortage in the United Kingdom. Britain embarked on a massive recruitment drive to bring in African-Caribbean to supplement the workforce, resulting in the Windrush Generation Scandal. Britain opened the floodgates of immigration to its Colonial Countries, leading to a lot of Commonwealth Citizens (workforce) migrating to the UK. Employment Agencies from the UK heavily recruited highly skilled professionals such as Doctors and Nurses from various Commonwealth African Nations.

It is worth noting that, Britain's labour need for the low-skilled or non-skilled sector (factories and industries) far exceeded that of the need for the highly skilled professionals. Although the UK relied heavily on these non-skilled immigrants labour throughout the ages, they were later abandoned in the aftermath of the European Union. Intense debates about AMNESTY for "illegal" immigrants in the build up to the 2010 UK elections won by David Cameron and his Conservative government were later shelved.

In 2013, a book about immigrants in the UK, titled *The British Dream* was published. The author David Goodhart, being an Englishman, wrote his novel from the perspective of the British by portraying immigrants in the UK negatively. DARKEST HUMANITY is “The British Dream” from the perspective of the immigrants. Other inspirations for the Novel are contained in the introduction of the Novel. DARKEST HUMANITY is DIVINELY INSPIRED! DARKEST HUMANITY is the product of my years of pain in the hands of the British government. In the words of Martin Luther King Jr.: *“As my sufferings mounted I soon realized that there were two ways in which I could respond to my situation – either to react with bitterness or seek to transform the suffering into a creative force. I decided to follow the latter course.”* So, I can happily say that the best that has come out of the pains is this Book, which I believe will impact on the lives of many around the globe.

In June 2007, my last resident permit in the UK expired. I decided to stay on as an “overstayed” immigrant and pursue my master’s degree, after which I would return to Ghana. So I began my studies in September 2007. On Tuesday, 7th October 2007, I was arrested by immigration enforcement officials whilst on my way to school. I was served with removal note; ticket and boarding pass to be removed from the UK on Saturday, 13th October 2007.

After I was released, one of the immigration officers who arrested me starts to call me to demand a bribe in order to sell my passport back to me. I reported the matter to the Metropolitan Police Service. British undercover intelligence officers kept me in hotels for two days and trained me to assist with an undercover operation, which led to the arrest of the corrupt immigration officer. As a result, my removal was cancelled. With my assistance, the Metropolitan Police Service undertook a one year investigation into the activities of the corrupt immigration officer and his colleagues. The case proceeded to court in September 2008. I became the prosecution witness to the British Crown Prosecution Service. The officer was found guilty of bribery and corruption and sentenced to a three-year prison term.

When I first went to the Police to report the corrupt behaviour of the immigration officer, the Police made a number of promises to me; including indefinite Leave to Remain in the UK, witness protection and a new identity. But after the trial, the Police and the authorities failed to fulfil the promises made. The Member of Parliament for Barking Constituency, my constituency of residence, became involved in the case for five years, mediating between me and immigration. After five (5) years without success, my passport still in the custody of the British authorities and with a limited time for it to expire, I then requested for my passport in order to return to Ghana. I was told that my “useless Ghanaian passport” had been lost, so I should apply for a travel certificate from the Ghana Embassy in London, go back to my country, and forget about my “useless Ghanaian passport.”

In 2012, I wrote to immigration and requested that I wanted to be removed from the UK on Friday 6th April 2012. I followed it up with several phone calls to the Home Office. On the said day, which happened to be Good Friday, I proceeded to Heathrow Airport with my luggage, ready to be removed to Ghana. I was again told at Heathrow that my passport had been lost. I prepared placards ready to do a demonstration at the airport should things go wrong again. This led to a scuffle between me and the airport security and the Police. The Police overpowered me, forcefully kicked me to the ground, and handcuffed me as I was in pain. They removed me from the airport that day, and drove me to an

Underground Tube Station to board the Tube back to London. The Police warned me not to return to the airport or face their wrath.

As a result of the humiliation I was subjected to because of my passport, I decided that I would not leave Britain without my Ghanaian passport, whether expired or useless. I created a blog to publish my story. I titled my blog *My Encounter with the White Man*. Few weeks after I started publishing my story on my blog, the case of two terrorists shoe bombers made headlines across Britain and the World. The terrorist who tried to detonate his shoe bomb on a flight to the US was being tried. Prosecutors of the terrorist in the US needed his British counterpart to testify against him. As a result, the terrorist turned prosecution witness was given rewards by the British Police and Government.

In the arithmetic of logic and thinking of the British, it is better being a terrorist turned prosecution witness than an “illegal” immigrant turned prosecution witness. There was public anger against the British Government for offering a deal to a convicted terrorist on becoming a prosecution witness. The British government issued a statement in support of their decision to offer a deal to the convicted terrorist. Part of this statement by Sue Hemming of the British Crown Prosecution Service reads: ***“The administration of justice internationally benefit from such agreement.”***

With this logic and thinking of the British, I wrote an article titled *I want to be a Terrorist in London*. The Police then launched a manhunt for my arrest. After ten (10) months of several raids on several addresses across London but with no possible hope of being able to arrest me, I voluntarily walked into a Police Station and handed myself over to the Police. This led to a lengthy legal battle and I was remanded to custody at North London’s Pentonville Prison. So, after years of being subjected to horrendous treatments by the British Government, I began a protest against the Government; and that ended in my incarceration by the Government. It was during my time in prison that I became aware of David Goodhart’s novel *The British Dream*, which partly inspired DARKEST HUMANITY.

Motivation and Research: Whilst in North London’s Pentonville Prison, I joined a journalism class. One day, a reporter from the Guardian Newspaper was invited to give a lecture on journalism. The reporter spoke about a new book titled *The British Dream*, and how immigrants in the UK have been portrayed negatively by the author: *“From lazy Somalis and macho African-Caribbeans to inbreeding Pakistanis and standoffish Poles.”*

The Guardian reporter expounded on the historical account of post-war Britain, and how Britain opened the floodgates of immigration and sent emissaries to the West Indies to bring in African Caribbean to help rebuild the country after the Second World War. Here then arose the question: *can someone write the British Dream from the perspective of immigrants?* This question kept lingering within me because of what I had been through as an immigrant, and my encounter with the British establishment – the Westminster fraternity.

One day, whilst reading a book in the library in Pentonville, I had an urge, an urge so strong that I could not resist it. The urge to write a book came to me right inside the library in North London’s Pentonville prison. The urge for me to re-write *The British Dream* from the perspective of immigrants was so strong that I became restless. After reading few pages of the book I was reading in the library,

I put the book down. The next thing I did was to start writing the *All-African (Commonwealth) British Dream!* Here was the birth of DARKEST HUMANITY.

My Book is HUGE. It rivals and surpasses the ODYSSEY – over 700 pages. Due to the volume and size of it, I decided to publish it in three parts or editions.

Edition One is subtitled – THE IMMIGRANT

Edition Two subtitled – THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Edition Three subtitled – THE BRITISH ESTABLISHMENT

MISSION of the Novel and the way forward: There are thousands of Commonwealth Citizens in distressed circumstances in the UK. These are people who prior to European Union expansion in May 2004, had been very useful and needed by the British Economy, but later abandoned when immigrants from Eastern Europe flooded the UK job market. Something has to be done for these people who were once the bedrock for the UK's industries. Thank you and God bless you.

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