CATER & MERGER CONSULT LTD CEO VISIT TO NIGERIA 2022

OVERVIEW

This report contains details about my trip to Nigeria and all my observations, findings and discovered opportunities.

While in Nigeria, I visited the following states

- Akwa ibom State
- Lagos State
- Federal Capital Territory
- Benue State
- Abia State
- Imo State

TRIP TO AKWA IBOM

The CEO of Cater and Merger Consult Ltd was graciously invited by His Excellency Governor Udom Gabriel Emmanuel to grace the Akwa Ibom State Christmas Carol 2022, which is an annual event hosted by the Governor, it was well attended and graced by great personalities from around the world and people of Akwa Ibom



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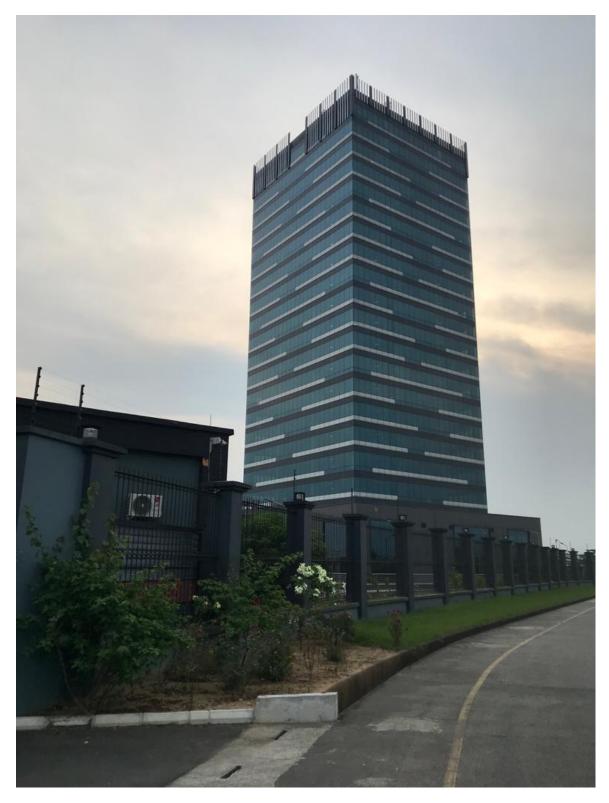


The CEO cater and merger consult with the Chief Host, HE. Udom Emmanuel, and HE. Governor Sen. Adeleke of Osun State.



The CEO cater and merger consult with Pastor Umo Eno, pastor Agu Irukwu, Head Pastor Jesus House, London, Comdt Alistair Soyode, Chief Bisi Olatinlo, Rt. Hon. Ndudi Elumelu, The Ooni of Ife, Sen. Phillp Aduda and many distinguished Nigerians.

It was an awesome time in Uyo, the emerging city of hospitality, peace and harmony. Do you know that Ikot Ekpene is the first established Local Government Authority in Nigeria, where the Four Points by Sheraton is located, I paid a visit to the DAKKADA Tower, a world class Business Office Complex, built by HE. Governor Udom Emmanuel, the Entrepreneurial Governor of Nigeria, the only sub-national state with own branded state operated Airline (IbomAir). I also flew in and out of Uyo airport on one of its fleets, what Nigeria as a country has struggled over the years to establish, one-man with a large heart and the political-will, came, saw, and conquered it for Akwa Ibom State, what a great achievement. God bless Akwa Ibom, God left Governor Udom Emmanuel for greater works.



The DAKKADA Tower



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TRIP TO LAGOS

The CEO of Cater and Merger Consult Ltd had a tea Meeting with the British Deputy High Commissioner, Amb. Ben.Llewellyn-Jones in His Lagos residence. He was accompanied by the Director of Oficon Group Nigeria Ltd ,Mr Godwin Ogbu and Agro-Allied Commodities Group Ltd, Directors, HRH. Prof Victoria Elizabeth and Otunba Olaniyi Adesuyi, HRH. Amb. Dr. Olusegun Aderemi JP, Princess Amb. Dr. Toyin Kolade (Iyalaje Oodua), the Private Sector Business participants at the April 2022, UK-Nigeria Trade and Investment Summit in UK.



The CEO of Cater and Merger Consult Ltd with Amb. Ben.Llewellyn-Jones, Mr Godwin Ogbu, HRH. Prof Victoria Elizabeth, Mr. Otunba Olaniyi Adesuyi, HRH. Amb. Dr. Olusegun Aderemi JP, Princess Amb. Dr. Toyin Kolade (Iyalaje Oodua)

The Meeting focused on reviewing the impact and outcomes of the post 2022 Trade and Investment summit feedbacks, as well as the plans on the forth coming 2023 Trade and Investment Summit, in view of the full support of the British High Commission in Nigeria, as we are looking forward to a successful Mission Summit in July 2023. His Excellency, Amb. Ben, the Deputy High Commissioner, listened to the team, and in response, advised appropriately on areas of which the mission would be of support concerning Agro produce and exports, and funding. He also assured the support of the mission towards the UK-Nigeria Trade and Investment Mission Summit 2023, but he further advised to narrow the scope to two key sectors of interest. The Tea meeting was indeed a great success.

TRIP TO ABUJA

The CEO of Cater and Merger Consult Ltd had the great honour and privilege of meeting with the Director of Investment Promotions, Mrs. Orji, in her office at the Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment, Abuja. It was also another opportunity for meeting the senior staff of the department, which included the Deputy Director, Mr. Ishaya, and Mrs Ahisa, we discussed on our continuous mutual relationship and collaboration for this year 2nd Annual UK-Nigeria Trade and Investment Mission Summit 2023 #London/Birmingham.

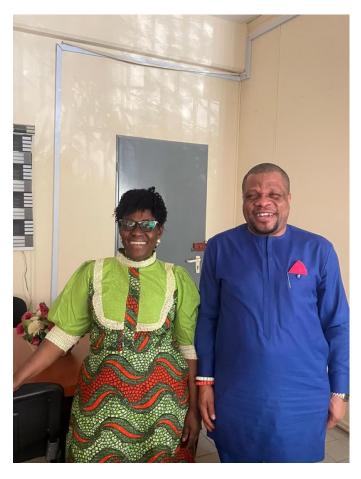


The CEO of Cater and Merger Consult Ltd with Mrs. Orji, Mr. Ishaya, Mrs Ahisa and Mr. Godwin Ogbu

The Director's words were highly encouraging and supportive, as we plan for a successful Trade Mission 2023. I was accompanied

to the meeting by Mr. Godwin Ogbu , Director of Oficon Group Nig. Ltd.

The CEO of Cater and Merger Consult Ltd also visited Mrs Kemi Arodudu, Director of General Services, Federal Ministry of Communication and Digital Economy, at her office in the Federal Secretariat Abuja.

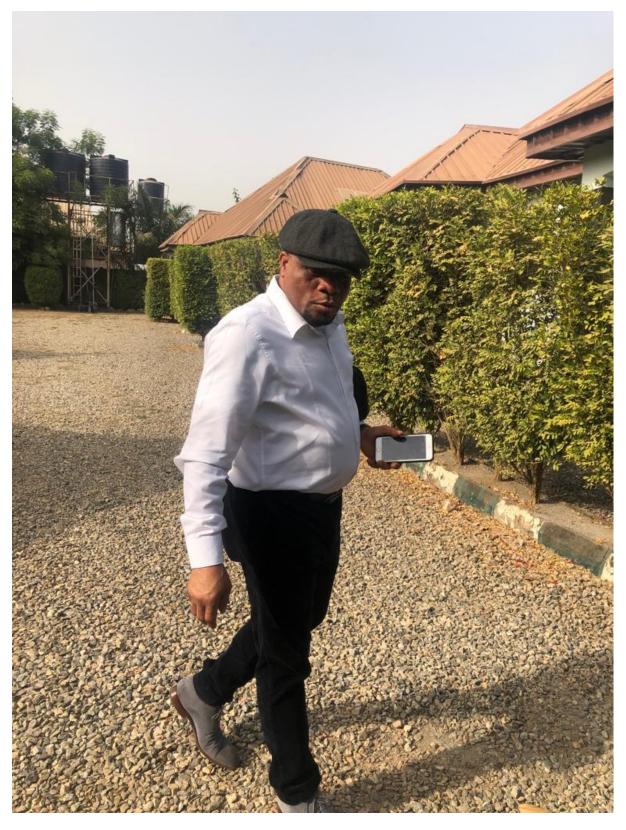


The CEO of Cater and Merger Consult Ltd with Mrs Kemi Arodudu.

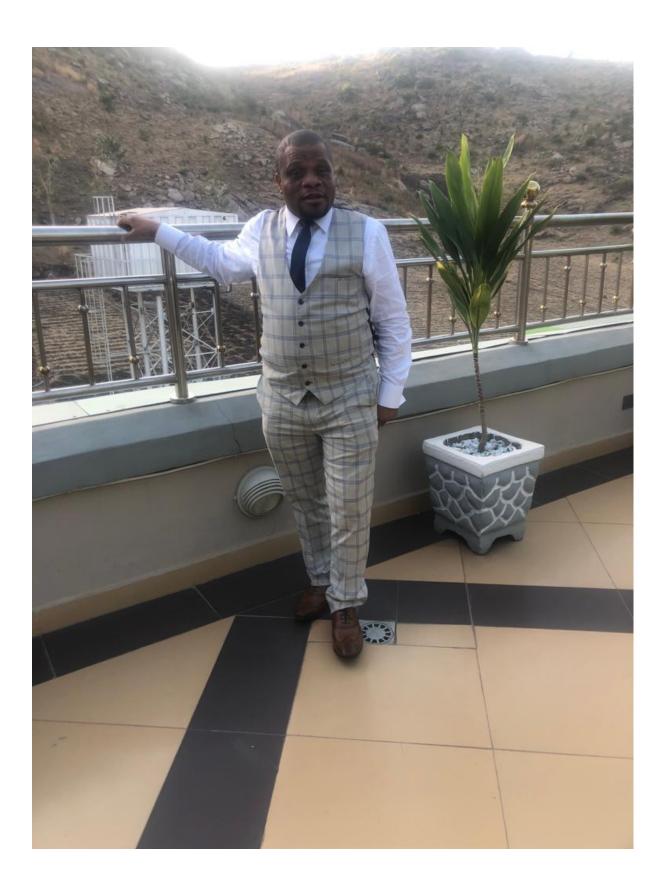
There was also positive follow up business meetings and farm visit by the CEO of AngelMeals , Peteborough, UK who was in Nigeria to meet with Gen. SJ. Davis CEO of Rayfield Farms Abuja, on various Agro produce exports to the Uk, this meeting was

made possible as a result of AngelMeal participation at our April 2022, trade summit session in Peteborough. It was indeed a great news to find out that the match making between the businesses is yielding positive outcome.

The CEO of Cater and Merger Consult Ltd also visited The Green House Resorts and Debbie's Suites and Apartments Resorts. The Green House Resorts, Debbie's Suites and Apartments Resorts are newly private managed Hotels and Resorts and are great for weekend away relaxations and reflections with nature. The Debbie's Suites and Apartments comes with natural rock /mountain climbing, 19-hole golf course, meeting rooms, Gym, Night Club, while the Green House resort has natural village cottages, sports and love nest's activity areas, with lovely rooms. Both locations are ideal for business retreats, AGMs, group camping, wedding parties. Cater and Merger Consult Ltd can facilitate and manage your Corporate Retreats, AGMs, Business Meetings and Group Camping at any of this Resorts.



The CEO of Cater and Merger Consult Ltd At the Green House Resorts in Orozo. Abuja



The CEO of Cater and Merger Consult Ltd At Debbie's Suites and Apartments Resorts in Orozo. Abuja



Debbie's Suites and Apartments Resorts in Orozo. Abuja

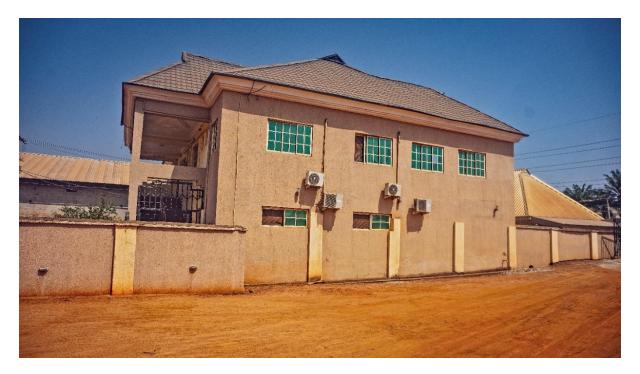
TRIP TO MAKURDI

The CEO of Cater and Merger Consult Ltd was graciously hosted in Makurdi by a wonderful personality; Makurdi based business man and philanthropist, Chief Fidelix Ogbu, Chairman/CEO Oficon Group Nig. Ltd.



The CEO of Cater and Merger Consult Ltd with Chief Ogbu and his Sons, Mr. Emeka and Godwin Ogbu

It was indeed an amazing experience and honour to have spent the weekend with the Ogbu's, they took time to show me around the various businesses owned by Oficon Group, ranging from it's Drinks deport/distribution complex, logistics, hotel, petrol stations, and farms.



Oficon Group hotel



Oficon Group Drinks depot



Oficon Group Petrol Stations

I was highly impressed with what I saw, this shows a huge potential for the company and open opportunities for foreign partnerships and investments for business expansion, as Oficon hopes to attract investment in Agro produce export, such as in Palm oil, Beans, and Yam, they are also looking at starting their Beer/drinks export to the UK. There is also the potential of venturing into the Waste-to-Energy Production, using one of it's built facilities in Makurdi.



Oficon Group Distribution complex (Aerial View)

In view of my visit to Oficon in Makurdi, Cater and merger Consult UK would be working with interest parties which includes, Urban Procurement Services Ltd. UK, who are willing to partner with Oficon on the Beer and Agro produce export, while Naanovo UK, is in discussions on the Waste-to-Energy investment. Finally with the full support of the Trade section of the British High Commission Lagos, much would be achieved in the next coming weeks.

APPRECIATION

I want to use this very good opportunity to thank and appreciate everyone that has made it a great moment for me throughout my stay in Nigeria for the past one month. it has been a wonderful opportunity to visit home for various activities and I do really appreciate the time I spent traveling around the country for family bereavements, for special invited events, for business meetings and obviously having my personal observation of what is happening in Nigeria by taking a couple of trips around the country.

Firstly, I want to say a big thank you to one of the great and outstanding Governors in Nigeria, a man that has shown his quality and his ability to run a state for the purpose of regenerating the state's potentials and making good of it. I really appreciate the opportunity to be invited by him to Akwa Ibom State for the very first time in a long while to visit this great state with great potentials. I was blown away and Taken beyond my imagination when I came down to Uyo, and so I want to say big thank you to His Excellency Governor Udom Gabriel Emmanuel, the entrepreneur Governor of Nigeria and the man that has done so much to put Uyo on the map of tourism in Nigeria.

I enjoyed every moment of my stay in Uyo at the 4 Points Hotel by Sheraton at Ikot Ekpene and also at the Government Guest house, which was an awesome experience. I want to appreciate my dear friend who made it possible for me to be in Uyo and who took time to give me the best of Uyo. I really want to say thank you to Honourable Barrister Comrade Ini Ememobong, the Honorable Commissioner for Information and strategies. Also I want to thank my friends and great guys I met in Uyo, it's been a wonderful moment and I won't forget the memories of my stay in Uyo.

I want to also extend my gratitude to my friends who took time to be in Lagos with me when I was invited by the British Deputy High Commissioner to Nigeria, Ambassador Ben Llewelyn-Jones, who we had the opportunity of having an afternoon tea meeting with a couple of our business clients, Otunba Olaniyi Adesuyi, Director Agro Allied, Queen Professor Victoria Adesuyi, CEO Agro Allied Nigeria, His Royal Highness Ambassador Dr. Olusegun Aderemi JP, a wonderful woman, great entrepreneur, powerful cultural leader among women fold in Nigeria, most especially in the South West business community (Iyalaje Oodua) Princess Toyin Kolade. We indeed had a wonderful moment together with very resourceful and positive discussions. It's also important to appreciate the valuable time spent with Gen. SJ Davis Rtd. the CEO Rayfield Farms Abuja and AVM Jekenu Rtd. the CEO Debbie's Suites and Apartments, discussing potential opportunities in Agro exports and promoting inward tourism to Nigeria. Much appreciation goes to Chief Fidelis Ogbu, the CEO Oficon Group of Nigerian Ltd, Godwin Ogbu and Emeka Ogbu, his sons and Co-Directors. It was indeed an amazing experience, and memorable hospitality enjoyed during my stay in Makurdi. I appreciate all our business meetings and site visits. It was a great experience for me during my visit to my home state for the funeral of my Brother-in law. I thank all those who prayed with

me and supported me while in Umuahia my village. Much appreciation to my dear good brother and friend, Chief. Hon. Kingsley Magbara, who hosted me with all pleasure.

Finally, I want to thank my very own family members and siblings that took time out to come around to share the Christmas moment with me in Lagos. I really appreciate every moment of our time together, full of joy and compassion for each other to Gods glory and honour.

As we continue to strengthen our business network and relationships in Nigeria, my next visit would be a follow up to our forth-coming UK-Nigeria Trade and Investment Mission Summit 2023, which is set to hold in July with a business tour to two cities namely London and Birmingham. Join us and be part of great things happening.

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