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Education

Ph.D., Political Science, University of California, Los Angeles, (UCLA), USA **1982**.

Dissertation: "From Growth Philosophy to Social Justice: Politics and Planning in Ayub's Pakistan"

B.Sc., Political Science, University of Lagos, Lagos, Nigeria, June **1976**

Awarded Chancellor's Prize for Best Final Year Student in Political Science

1975 Federal Government of Nigeria Academic Award

LL.B., Bachelor of Law, University of Lagos, Lagos, Nigeria, January **1990**.

Awarded Prof. Abiola Ojo's Prize for Best Final Year Student in Law

Awarded Dr. Taslim Elias Prize for Best Student in Jurisprudence

Nigerian Law School

- **Solicitor and Advocate, Supreme Court of Nigeria, December 1990**

Major Trainings Attended

- 1) UNITAR Regional Training Programme to Enhance Conflict Prevention and Peacebuilding in Africa, 2001.
- 2) ICRC International Humanitarian Law course, Nyeri, Kenya, 2002
- 3) UN Senior Mission Leaders' Course, New Delhi, January 2008
- 4) Leadership Development Programme, July 2008, New York and February 2009, Switzerland

Lagos Multi-Door Courthouse

- Member, Panel of Neutrals, November 2018

Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, U.K.

- Associate CI Arb, February 2018

Business Recovery and Insolvency Practitioners Association of Nigeria

- Associate BR, February 2020, induction pending March 23, 2021

Information and Communications Technology Skills

- **Versatile with:**
 - Microsoft Word Software
 - Microsoft Excel Software
 - Microsoft PowerPoint
 - Online Webinar Software: Zoom; GoTo Meeting; Microsoft Teams; Skype
 - Social Media: YouTube; Facebook; WhatsApp; Twitter; Instagram

Summary of relevant work experience, including almost 24 years of service with the UN

Prof., Political Science/International Relations, March 2021

Consultancies:

- **United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UN ECA)**, Study on the interlinkages of Peace and Security, Development, Human Rights and Humanitarianism in West and Central African subregions, September 2020 to February 2021
- **African Union Commission**, provided the framework for the operationalization of the **African Union Humanitarian Agency (AUHA)** in implementing an African Union Summit Decision September 2018 to June 2020
- **UN ECA**, Expert on the ECOWAS Vision 2050 Structural Analysis Workshop July/August 2020

Certified International Mediator and Arbitrator

- Mediator, Lagos Multi-Door Courthouse (LMDC)
 - Inducted into LMDC Panel of Neutrals, November 2018
- Arbitrator, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, U.K.
 - Associate, February 2018

Public Speaking

- UN Economic Commission for Africa: Several appearances in many African Cities, on Africa Continental Free Trade Agreement (AfCFTA), 2018-2020
- Bahrain Visions Forum, 73rd UNGA, 2018
- Oslo Peace Centre, Norway, June 2019
- Bled Strategic Forum, Slovenia, September 2019

Special Advisories and Board Membership

Senior Adviser, Olusegun Obasanjo Presidential Library, Abeokuta, Nigeria, May 8, 2017 to September 2018.

- Served as Senior Adviser to Former President Obasanjo on Special Initiatives at OOPL.

Senior Adviser to H.E. Jose Ramos-Horta, former President of East Timor and Nobel Laureate

Senior Adviser to the President of the Court of the Prime Minister of Bahrain, Kingdom of Bahrain

- Member of the Bahrain delegation to the 73rd and 74th UN General Assembly
- Board Member, Bahrain Visions Forum, September 2018 - To date

Member of a four-man Advisory Committee on a Festschrift in honor of former Nigerian Head of State, General Abdulsalami Abubakar on his role as Mediator in Africa.

Board Member of The Conflict Partnership Company (PTY) Ltd., Cape Town, South Africa

Chairman, Board of Directors YINTAB Limited

International Development Experiences

Head, Political Affairs Section, UN-AU Mission in Darfur (UNAMID), July 2014 to March 31, 2017

- Served as Chief Political Adviser to the Joint Special Representative (JSR) at UNAMID from January - December 2016 and during that time, worked closely with the Sudan Foreign Ministry officials, including the Minister to rebuild relationship between UNAMID and the Government of Sudan that resulted in improved mandate implementation through talking with as opposed to talking to the Sudanese authorities.
- Represented the UNAMID JSR in negotiations on the draw-down of the Mission.
- Improved the relevance of Political Affairs Section with well researched Advisory Notes to the Mission leadership on mandate implementation at UNAMID as well as streamlined a Division and two sections into a single more functional section.
- Led the production of Quarterly Reports of the UN Secretary-General to the Security Council on the conflict in Darfur.
- I maintained sustained engagement with leaders of armed groups and with the leadership of Government of Sudan seized with the problem in Darfur and linked this to being an effective Representative of UNAMID at the Presidents Mbeki/Abubakar led mediation process on Sudan.

Chief of Staff, Joint Mediation Support Team (JMST), UNAMID, May 2014 – June 2015

- Re-engaged with the leadership of three Armed Movements and succeeded in providing them with capacity building support in preparation for negotiations that broke down.
- Assisted in the process of winding up the JMST.

Chief of Staff, UN Integrated Office in Guinea-Bissau, (UNIOGBIS), September 2009 through to May 2014.

- I restored the confidence of Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) in UNIOGBIS by facilitating the SRSG's and Mission's engagement with Presidents Jonathan (Nigeria); Ouattara (Cote D'Ivoire); Mahama (Ghana) Sall (Senegal) and Jammeh (Gambia) over a period of a year as we prepared for elections to restore constitutional authority in Guinea-Bissau under UN Security Council (UNSC) Res 2048 and we raised about USD 30 million (twice the budget) for elections. Provided strategic advice towards logistic support for the highly successful electoral process within a fixed short range of time.
- Led implementation of a post-election vision for Guinea-Bissau, in collaboration with the African Union; ECOWAS and the United States Government developing the Governance Efficacy Amelioration Programme (GEAP) that was noted by the UN Security Council in Resolution 2157 (29 May 2014) and a Regime Pact signed on to by national leaders with the assistance of the National Commission for Planning and Strategic Coordination.

- From September 2009 to March 2010, led the conversion of UNIOGBIS into an integrated mission with the UN Country Team as instructed by UNSC in Resolution 1876 (26 June 2009) achieving the successful take-off of UNIOGBIS on January 1, 2010 as an integrated mission & built on UNDAF to realise an Integrated Strategic Framework.
- As OiC UNIOGBIS, I held several tense meetings with Guinea-Bissau leaders, including the President and Prime Minister, and averted a major crisis at the end of December 2009.

Principal Adviser on Regional and Subregional Issues, United Nations Mission in Liberia (UNMIL), Monrovia Liberia, June 25 to September 27, 2009.

- Liaised between UNMIL and the African Union/ECOWAS at the local level and at the HQ of the sister organizations.
- Represented the Special Representative of the Secretary-General at meetings of the International Contact Group-Mano River Basin.
- Provided concept notes and analysis on developments at ECOWAS and the African Union to the extent that such developments affected Liberia and/or the mandate of UNMIL

Head, Political, Policy and Planning Section, UNMIL, Monrovia Liberia, January 10, 2006 to June 25, 2009

- Led the team that provided political inputs into the work of UNMIL and especially keeping track of political concerns for security sector reform as part of an overall political sector reform all aimed towards peaceful and democratic Liberia.
- Led the team that provided the first draft of all UNMIL political reports including coordination of situation reports and the first draft of the Secretary-General's Report to the Security Council.
- Led the team that provided support for UNMIL's political interaction with the international community on Liberia.
- Managed a section of 21 multi-cultural staff members with presence in four field locations.

Deputy Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General, (DSRSG) UN Political Office for Somalia, 1 September 2005 to 9 January 2006.

- As the substantive Deputy SRSRSG, supported the SRSRSG in weighing policy options for the way forward on Somalia.
- Supervised the writing of the draft of the S-G's Report to the Security Council
- Served as Adviser to the SRSRSG on a briefing visit with cabinet level and other officials in Europe on Somalia in September 2005.

Acting Deputy Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General, UN Political Office for Somalia (UNPOS), 1 April 2005 to 31 August 2005.

Within this period, I was O-i-C of the Mission from April 1-May 27, 2005 within this period, I:

- Designed and negotiated the expansion of UNPOS from an office of 8 persons to 38 and led the preparation of the draft budget for the new office.
- I was co-chair (with the Somali Prime Minister), of the Joint Coordination and Monitoring Committee (CMC) which brought together members of the international community and the Transitional Federal Government of Somalia.
- Guided a Consultant in the design of gender sensitive peacebuilding projects for submission for approval under the UN Trust Fund for Peacebuilding in Somalia.
- Represented UNPOS at International Meetings in Addis Ababa with the African Union as well as with interested Ambassadors.
- Led the international team that included: Italy; U.S.; EC.; EU; U.K. and the UN that sought to reduce the differences amongst principal Somali leaders that included the President, Prime Minister; the Speaker of Parliament and a group of recalcitrant Ministers.

- Led an International Team of support for the Prime Minister in Mogadishu for the first time during which time he escaped an assassination attempt.
- Assisted the new SRSG in understanding the Somali reality.
- Provided the first draft of S-G's Reports to the Security Council.
- Assisted the SRSG in managing the office especially the selection of officers into the new posts.

Officer-in-Charge, UN Political Office for Somalia, 1 January 2002 to 4 April 2002.

- Represented UNPOS at the 9th Summit of Inter-Governmental Authority on Development (IGAD) Heads of State and was involved in the UN consultations with the IGAD Heads of State on peace and nation building in Somalia.
- Coordinated and collaborated with the UN family; donors, including through the Somalia Aid Coordination Body (SACB) and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) on humanitarian support; development; and peace-building in Somalia and worked with donors and the Kenyan authorities on the implementation of the resolution of the 9th IGAD Summit on Somalia.
- Managed the UNPOS of 4 International and 4 national staff members and ensured accountability and high team spirit.
- Prepared the first draft of the Secretary General's Report to the Security Council, February 02.

Sr. Political Adviser, UN Political Office for Somalia, Dept. of Political Affairs, United Nations; 15 April 1995-31 March 2005.

- Involved in consultations with Presidents and Foreign Ministers of Horn of Africa and Secretary-Generals of OAU and IGAD as well as with Somali leaders on advancing Somali peace process;
- Collaborated with the UNICEF Country Director Antonio Paganini in addressing the El-Nino humanitarian disaster in Somalia in 1998.
- Played primary role in the design, negotiation and implementation of the Djibouti Initiative that set up national governance structures for Somalia after decade of civil strife;
- Prepared the first drafts of the Secretary-General's reports on Somalia from 1996 to 31 August 2005.

Officer in Charge, Disarmament, Demobilization and Demining Division., United Nations Operation in Somalia (UNOSOM II); August 1994-March 1995.

- Coordinated 19 staff in implementing successful demining programme in southern Somalia; 24 projects completed, over 200sq km land and 700 km of road cleared; 8000 and 20,000 unexploded ordinances destroyed;
- Developed integrated strategy for demobilization and disarmament programme which piloted schemes based on economic integration and vocational training;
- Led mission to draft UNOSOM II end of Mission Report that was compilation of all UN policies and activities undertaken during 1993-1995;

Sr. Political Adviser to the Special Representative of the Secretary General to Somalia; Feb 1994-August 1994.

- Organised and participated in peace accord negotiations among Somali leaders that resulted in the Nairobi Declaration of March 1994;

Political Affairs Officer, UNOSOM II, Somalia; May 1993-February 1994.

- Acting Zone Director in Mogadishu Zone and later Acting Deputy Director of the Political Division at UNOSOM II HQ;
- Managed Zone and HQ international and local staff members

- Represented UN in interface between HQ/Zonal military commander and Somali leaders
- Key role in UNOSOM II policy-making and political briefings of senior UN leadership, including Boutros Boutros-Ghali and Kofi Annan as UN Secretaries General.

Academic/Teaching Experiences

Professor, March 2021 to date, Chrisland University, Owode, Abeokuta, Nigeria

- Undertaking pre-establishment/establishment efforts for the Chrisland Institute for Security, Development and Diplomacy
- Teaching undergraduate courses in political economy, including international political economy; international relations.

Senior Lecturer, 1986-1993, University of Lagos, Nigeria.

- Taught graduate and undergraduate courses in political economy, including international political economy; international relations; and comparative politics. Left in May 1993 to work for the United Nations.

Visiting Senior Research Fellow, Nigerian Institute of International Affairs, Lagos, Jan-Dec 1990.

- Wrote position papers on Nigerian Foreign Policy including analysis of Nigerian-Indian foreign policy and presidential foreign policy speeches.

Concurrently with service at the University of Lagos, Senior Lecturer, University of Maiduguri, Nigeria, April-August 1985.

Lecturer I & II, 1982-1986, University of Lagos, Nigeria.

- Taught graduate and undergraduate courses in political economy, including international political economy; international relations; and comparative politics.

Visiting Guest Scholar, Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad, Pakistan, July-Dec 1981.

Teaching Fellow & Associate, University of California, Los Angeles, 1979-1982.

Graduate Assistant, University of Lagos, Nigeria, 1977-1982.

Non-Academic Contributions to Society/University

Co-Founder in 1989 of Yintab Private Academy, Shogunle and Ikorodu, Lagos, Nigeria

- Providing education to many Nigerian children from Creche to Senior Secondary School

Member Nigerian Delegation to the United Nations, September – November 1991

- Served as Special Assistant to former Nigerian Head of State, General Olusegun Obasanjo on his quest to be Secretary-General of the UN

Member and Secretary to the Nigerian Fact-Finding Team to South Africa led by former Head of State, General Olusegun Obasanjo; September 1991.

- Participated in and produced the report on discussions with the State President, Cabinet Ministers and anti-apartheid parties/groups including ANC and Mandela along with leadership of youth, homeless, church, finance and industry.

Attorney, Nigeria, 1990.

- Commercial practice focused on drafting of corporate business agreements 1991-93;
- Advisory services and mediation as a member of the Lagos State Panel of Neutrals, November 2018 to date.

Analyst, All Nigeria Conference on Foreign Policy, February - April 1986.

- Participated in conference as rapporteur and contributor to drafting guide for Nigerian Foreign Policy;

Assistant Secretary, Academic Staff Union of Universities, Unilag Branch, 1985-87

- Secretary Ad Interim, Academic Staff Union of Universities, Unilag Branch, 1985-87

Member of Senate, University of Lagos, Lagos, 1983-85

Summary of Professional skills and/or expertise

Policy: Negotiation/Analysis/Advisory/Representational

- Provided the African Union framework for the operationalization of the African Humanitarian Agency.
- Represented the Head of UNAMID in negotiations with the African Union and United Nations on implementation of a policy decision to draw-down on the size of UNAMID;
- Represented UNAMID at Presidents Mbeki/Abdulsalami Abubakar led mediation between the Government of Sudan and Darfur Movements from 2014-2017.
- Played the lead role as UNIOGBIS Chief of Staff in negotiations between UN Agencies and UN Mission in Guinea-Bissau that resulted in the successful realization of an integrated peace-building mission as required by UN Security Council resolution 1876;
- Led design and implementation of post-election and transition governance vision for Guinea-Bissau away from being seen as a failed state, in collaboration with the AU-Liaison Office; ECOWAS and the US Government and signed on to by national leaders before I moved to another Mission.
- Represented UN Special Representative of the Secretary-General (SRSG) Ramos-Horta at several meetings that restored UNIOGBIS relations with ECOWAS Commission, subsequent to the low-ebb situation under the previous SRSG.
- Analyst of complex situations for conflict prevention; peace negotiations and implementation as well as peacebuilding;
- Skilled at maintaining networks for dialogue at all levels including with Presidents/Prime Ministers/Senior Leadership in Governments, UN entities, Regional Organizations, & Political Faction and Armed Leaders;
- Advisor to highest levels in government that includes work with former Heads of State and numerous Special Representatives of the Secretary-General;
- Military interface in peacekeeping operations;
- UN Representational role at international, regional and national levels.

Drafting

- Writer of key UN political documentation including SG's reports to the Security Council, briefings for high level visits of UN officials, daily/weekly situation reports;

- As an Attorney, excellent drafter able to produce legislation, treaties, other legal documentation;

Languages: English; Pidgin; Yoruba and Working Knowledge of French

Managerial Experience

- Managerial skills for peacebuilding operations in conflict/post-conflict situations;
- Demonstrated leadership through the attendance of the UN Resident Coordinator Assessment Centre, March 2002, and passing in the first category without reservation.
- Administrator with knowledge of personnel, budget, procurement procedures;

PUBLICATIONS

Books

1. Babafemi A. Badejo, *Rethinking Security Initiatives in Nigeria*, (Lagos: Yintab Books, 2020)
2. Babafemi A. Badejo, *Raila Odinga: An Enigma in Kenyan Politics*, (Lagos & Nairobi: Yintab Books, 2006)

Joint Expert-Level Reports

3. Babafemi Badejo, assistant to the Team for the preparation of *Human Development Report, 1994*, (New York & Oxford, Oxford University Press, 1994).
4. Babafemi Badejo, as part of the Team for the preparation of *Human Development Report, 1993*, (New York & Oxford, Oxford University Press, 1993).

Referred Articles, Monographs, and Chapters in Books

5. Babafemi Adesina Badejo, “A Study on the Modalities for the Operationalization of the African Humanitarian Agency”, Department of Political Affairs, African Union Commission, June 2020
6. Babafemi A. Badejo, “The State of Anti-Corruption in Nigeria: 2015-2019”, in Chris Jones, Pregala Pillay and Idayat Hassan, (eds.), *Fighting Corruption in African Contexts: Our Collective Responsibility*, (Newcastle upon Tynes: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2020), Chapter 2.
7. Babafemi A. Badejo, “Economic Philosophy and Constitution Making in Nigeria”, *Journal of Management and Social Sciences*, Vol. 7 (2) November 2018, pp. 445-455.
8. Babafemi A. Badejo, “Persistence of Corruption in Nigeria: Towards a Holistic Focus”, in Sunday Bobai Agang et. al., (eds.), *A Multidimensional Perspective on Corruption in Africa: Wealth, Power, Religion and Democracy*, (Newcastle upon Tynes: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2019), Chapter 7.
9. Babafemi A. Badejo, “Politicization of Ethnicity, Inequities and Electoral Violence in Kenya,” Centre for Black and African Arts and Civilization, Occasional Monograph, No. 9, 2008
10. Oyeleye Oyediran & Babafemi A. Badejo, “The Military and Democracy in Nigeria: The Political Bureau Report” Malthouse Monographs on Africa No. 8, Dayo Oluyemi-Kusa (ed.), *Political Economy of Nigeria under Babangida*, (Lagos: Malthouse, 2008).
11. Babafemi A. Badejo, “Managing the Somali Conflict Post Mbagathi Conference,” Adebayo Adedeji, et. al., eds., *Africa Conflict, Peace and Governance Monitor*, 2006 (Ijebu-Ode: ACDESS, 2006), pp. 158-171.
12. Babafemi A. Badejo, “Governance in Kenya after Moi,” Adebayo Adedeji, et. al., eds., *Africa Conflict, Peace and Governance Monitor*, 2006 (Ijebu-Ode: ACDESS, 2006), pp. 183-200.
13. Babafemi Badejo, “Party Formation and Competition,” in Larry Diamond et.al. *Transition without End*, (Colorado: Lynne Reiner, 1997) also published in (Ibadan: Vantage Publishers Ltd., 1997) pp. 177-203.

14. Babafemi A. Badejo, "Being a Nigerian These Days", in Hans d'Orville (ed.), *Beyond Freedom: LETTERS TO Olusegun Obasanjo*, (N.Y., Africa Leadership Foundation, 1996), pp. 193-197.
15. Babafemi A. Badejo, "The Associative Sector and the Poor in Africa," in Hans d'Orville (ed.), *Leadership for Africa*, (N.Y., Africa Leadership Foundation, 1995), pp. 257-269
16. Femi Badejo, "The Political Implications of the African Economic Community", in M.A. Ajomo & Omobowale Adewale, (eds.), *African Economic Community Treaty: Issues, Problems and Prospects*, (Lagos: Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, 1993) pp. 68-76.
17. Babafemi A. Badejo, " Fundamental Human Rights", in Oyeleye Oyediran, *Introduction to the Nigerian (1989) Constitution*, (Lagos: Project Publications Ltd., 1992), pp. 53-72.
18. Babafemi A. Badejo, "The Judiciary", in Oyeleye Oyediran, *Introduction to the Nigerian (1989) Constitution*, (Lagos: Project Publications Ltd., 1992), pp. 101-118.
19. Babafemi A. Badejo, "Women's Quest for Political Leadership in the Third Republic: Problems and Prospects" in Oluremi Jegede et. al., (eds.) *Women and Leadership* (Lagos: NAUW, 1991), pp. 23-27.
20. Babafemi A. Badejo, "The Socio Political Implications of Structural Adjustment Programme (SAP)", *The Journal of Business and Social Studies*, New Series, Vol. 7 No. 1, December 1984 (Published 1990), pp. 57-64.
21. Babafemi Badejo, "Economic Diplomacy in a Trapped Economy: Assumptions and Prospects of the Nigerian Experience," *Nigerian Journal of International Studies*, Vol. 15, Nos. 1 & 2, November 1991, pp. 93-111.
22. Babafemi A. Badejo, "Nigeria's Economic Relationship with Brazil and India: An Assessment of South - South Cooperation," *Nigerian Journal of International Affairs*, Vol. 16, No. 1, 1990.
23. Babafemi A. Badejo, "Nigeria and India Relations 1960-1985: A study in South-South Cooperation" in B. Akinyemi, S. O. Agbi and Femi Otubanjo eds., *Nigeria Since Independence: The First 25 Years, Vol. X, International Relations*, (Ibadan: Heinemann 1989), pp. 87-104.
24. Babafemi A. Badejo and Stephen Ayo Ogunyemi, "Integrating the Past with the Present: An Exercise in Futility," in J.A.A. Ayoade, A.A.B. Agbaje (eds), *African Traditional Political Thought and Institutions*, (Lagos: CBAAC, 1989), pp. 175-186.
25. Babafemi A. Badejo & Oyeleye Oyediran, "The Progressive Peoples Party and the Progressive Parties Alliance in the Nigerian Second Republic" ODU, New Series, No. 36, July 1989, pp.75-88.
26. Babafemi A. Badejo, "Bhutto and the PPP'S Socialism?" *India Quarterly*, July-December 1988, pp. 240-252.
27. Babafemi A. Badejo, "India's African Policy," *Nigerian Journal of International Affairs*, Vol. 10, No.1, 1984, pp. 48-62.
28. Babafemi A. Badejo, "Indicators of Political Development in Nigeria's Planning Experience", UNDP/UNESCO/NISER Indicators Project, Document No. CS/84/4, December 1984.
29. Babafemi A. Badejo, "Pakistan: Ayub's Demise Revisited," *Asian Affairs*, Vol. 5, No. 2, (1983), pp. 31-36.
30. Babafemi A. Badejo, "Planning for Social Justice: A Critique," *The Journal of General Studies*, Vol. 4, No. 1, (1983), pp. 65-73.
31. Babafemi A. Badejo, "Green Revolution in Pakistan: Lessons for Nigeria," *Journal of Business and Social Studies*, New Series, Vol. 5, No. 2, 1982, pp. 17-29.
32. Babafemi A. Badejo, "Some Methodological Issues in the Relationship Between Politics and Planning in the Post-Colonial State," *The Journal of General Studies*, Vol. 3, No. 1, (1982), pp. 50-66.