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As we journey into the days, weeks and months of another year, we welcome the year with a lot of anticipation, knowing that the New year presents us with opportunities to address the issues that were unresolved in the last year. We have resolved to deploy new strategies in our approach to meet our set objectives. As we sail along, we invite you on board. Your comments and suggestions are most welcome. We wish you prosperity and fulfillment in the New Year.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Whoever fights monsters should see to it that in the process he does not become a monster."



(1844-1900)

— *Friedrich Nietzsche*,
German philosopher

NEWS

Core-Group Meeting-

The first Core- Group meeting of 2006 comes up on February 23, 2006 from 10am to 12noon at the Board Room II , Muson centre, Lagos.

Commonwealth Business Council organizes seminar in Abuja.

The Commonwealth Business Council will be hosting the West Africa Investment Forum in Abuja, Nigeria from February 20-22, 2006.

The event will build on the progress already made this year at the G8 Business Action for Africa and the G8 Gleneagles Summit

For more details about the event and other conferences, please go to

<http://www.cboglobelink.org/cboglobelink/CBCPage.jsp?headingId=14>

WHATS NEW-

Global Corruption Report 2006

The new edition of this report was launched on February 1, 2006 with Special Focus on Corruption and Health Now in its fifth year, this edition of the Global Corruption Report focuses on the health sector, where lack of integrity can be a matter of life and death. In addition to the section on health, it will contain a selection of latest research, and sections on: mapping corruption trends, links between corruption and good governance, etc.

For more details, please visit

<http://www.globalcorruptionreport.org/>

FORUM



God-Fatherism as a threat to democracy-

The 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria stipulates the constitutional breaches that may lead to the impeachment of the President, Governors and other elected public office holders. While we agree that lawmakers have a constitutional duty to perform, we expect that due process must be followed in the exercise of such power.

We call on Mr. President to intervene and demonstrate his

Anti-Corruption News

World Bank anti-corruption head named

World Bank President Paul Wolfowitz, who has promised to crack down on corruption, has appointed Suzanne Rich Folsom to head the bank's anti-corruption unit, according to a notice to member countries.

The bank's anti-corruption unit, which includes 50 lawyers, forensic auditors and investigators, was established to probe fraud and corruption in World Bank projects in developing countries.

Please go to <http://admin.corisweb.org/index.php?fuseaction=news.view&id=119728&src=pub>

For a full text of the article

commitment to due process and fighting corruption in whatever shape it manifests in the Nigerian polity. It is this commitment that has earned him the respect and confidence that leaders in the global political and financial arena have extended to his administration. We would like to see him take a stand to douse the rumors that the anti-corruption fight has a vindictive coloration. The illogicalities that the Ibadan fiasco has revealed go a long way to show that our democracy is not just nascent but is on a tight rope.

Do you have a comment on this?
Please submit to info@theconvention.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

CBi Partners with Commonwealth Business Council

CBi partners with Commonwealth Business Council (CBC), the Africa Corporate Sustainability Forum (ACSF) and the Human Rights Trust of Southern Africa (SAHRIT) on a conference titled "Business Action Against Corruption".

Business Action Against Corruption (BAAC) is a one day conference being held in association with the West Africa Investment Forum (WAIF) which is sponsored by the Government of Nigeria and the Commonwealth Business Council. BAAC forms part of the new initiative across Africa to strengthen partnership between the private sector and government to tackle corruption. The event will take place between 8am- 5pm on February 20 at Sheraton Hotel and Towers, Abuja.

Marketing Meetings for CBi on-going

The organization is billed to re-market itself to members of the Convention as well as prospective members. The exercise will commence in February, 2006.

Prospective signatories can visit our website <http://www.theconvention.org/howmember.htm> for more about signing on to the convention

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