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## **ESSAY TOPIC**

## IF I COULD INVENT SOMETHING NEW

An invention begins with a dream and conceptualization of an idea. If I could invent something new, it would be something that will have a large impact in our country and society at large. I will invent a SMART PHONE with a strong APPLICATION that can monitor and track Corruption Tendencies and Practices in Government Institutions and among Government Officials in Nigeria. Such invention cannot be manipulated by humans, but will be controlled by secured chips.

What is Corruption? Corruption is a dishonest or fraudulent conduct by those in power. It is a deceitful act and unscrupulous behavior. Corrupt practices means offering, giving, receiving or soliciting of anything of values in order to influence the action of public officials especially in selection process, contract execution or discharge of official duties. Corruption manifest itself through bribery, abuse of power etc.

Corruption is mostly caused by selfish desires and greed for money, high level of political monopolization, low level of political transparency, and inefficient administrative structures.

Corruption in Nigeria has led to huge financial losses, damage to the country's reputation, diversion of valuable resources and services. It is a pressing issue in Nigeria which has negatively affected public finances, business and standard of living. Corruption destroys democracy and good governance. In education, corruption leaves us with brain drain, poor education quality. The health sector is not left behind as corruption reduces access to fair

and adequate healthcare. CORRUPTION IS A DISEASE, VIRUS, AND EVIL in the society. It should be eliminated or greatly reduced if we must move forward as a nation.

Over the years, the government has made several efforts to fight corruption, but at the end, no big success. And instead, corruption fights back. That is why it is important to invent a device to tackle this problem. The invention of a smart phone with a dedicated application will go a long way in monitoring corruption activities especially among government officials and those in authorities. A highly advanced application can read people's minds, decode corruption plans and tendencies. It can be executed in form of gadgets like cameras installed in offices and public places. Such device can smartly track discussions, decode corruption intents, and monitor movements without undue human interference.

Such device will be in form of Artificial Intelligence and will easily track and assemble information which are key tools in the fight against corruption. It will act as detectors that can be used for reading minds, spying on someone or tracking discussions. It can also detect suspicious movements and behavior in government establishments, offices and institutions. This will definitely serve as a real deterrent as well as a monitoring tool.

In conclusion, I have strong belief that with this invention, there will be an increased awareness, restraint and efforts at all levels to shun corruption.

Thank you.