**IF I COULD INVENT SOMETHING NEW**

If I could invent something new, it would be a teleportation watch that transports one to any location of choice just by a tap on the screen. It would not be just an ordinary watch, it would be one that can capture your entire presence and your physical qualities to teleport you to a totally different location.

To use this watch, select your desired location on the watch. Input the location code sent to your device in a networking room. You would be put to sleep and your brain and mind would be sent over to the chosen location, along with physical qualities and appearance for operations you wished to carry out in that location.

One of the major problems we currently face in Nigeria is the hike in fuel prices. At least 90% of Nigerians make use of petroleum products in their daily lives, for transportation and even to generate income. A lot of Nigerians have had to cancel or postpone their trips for lack of funds to meet up with the high costs. To put an end to this, we have to substitute the use of fuel-powered transportation with teleporting.

Apart from that, teleportation watch can help to speed up travel time. At the moment, flight is believed to be the fastest means of transportation. But travellers still have to sit for long periods of time and go through the hassles of airport protocols. The other means of transportation – water, land and rail – are equally time-consuming and risky with high mortality rates. Imagine a world where travel time is significantly reduced to free up time for more rewarding activities!

In addition, this new invention would also reduce accident rates because 70% of accidents occur on the road. These accidents are caused by inadequate knowledge of road safety rules and regulations. With the help of this invention, there would be fewer ignorant road users. We could all be using the teleportation watch to reduce the number of accidents that happen on the road and create a safer space for transportation.

Furthermore, the teleportation watch would also help to reduce the volume of traffic congestion. Traffic jams usually slow down the movement of people and goods on the road. Sometimes the congestion could be caused by wrong turning, faulty vehicles, fuel exhaustion or the malfunction of a vehicle part.

With air transportation, the teleportation watch can prevent unnecessary flight delay, possible air crash and expensive tickets. On water, teleportation can ease the stress for people who have thalassophobia while encouraging the hodophiles.

If you are concerned that a criminal could use it for the wrong purpose, worry no more. The device would be designed to detect and deactivate when given harmful commands.

In conclusion, this teleportation watch would really help Nigerians – and someday the whole world – because it is economically friendly, modernized, easy to adapt and minimizes hazards.

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