IF I COULD INVENT SOMETHING NEW.

‘Invent’ is a word formed from Middle English ‘Inventen’, from old French ‘Inventer’, and from a Latin word ‘Inventus’ meaning ‘to discover’ or ‘come upon’. To invent means to produce, originate, create a product through imagination, experimentation and of one’s ingenuity. To invent something new is the creation of a product that has not been in existence. William Blake said that what is now proved was once only imagined.

In the current situation of our country, corruption has taken over the hearts of our legal practitioners who supposed to give accurate judgement but choose to do otherwise. Corruption has decreased public trust in justice, has also weakened the capacity of judicial systems to guarantee the protection of human rights. I wish to invent a device called ‘Automated Judge’. It is a device that would be used to check and detect if a crime suspect is actually guilty or innocent.

Most at times, a criminal would commit a crime and is caught by an eye witness, but in the court, because there is no substantial evidence as they may put it, the criminal is discharged and acquitted and would continue in the crime. Also, innocent victims who lack the power of expression, probably not being too exposed, suffer the punishment of a crime he never committed.

More so, some of the legal practitioners, when money is involved would turn around the case and the whole truth would not be said and injustice would continue to prevail. Here also, some law breakers use their wealth influence to escape prosecution, and crime rate will continue to be in the increase.

Charles Kettering said, “if you have always done it that way, it is probably wrong.” The ‘Automated Judge’ works this way; when an individual is arrested for a particular crime, this device would read the mind of the suspect to check if guilty or not. It would be worn like bullet proof while it reads the suspect’s mind. With this device, there will be no room for bribery again. Corruption will reduce in the judiciary system and justice would prevail as it should. This is because the device is automated and does not lie like our human Judges who give the wrong judgement because of money.

In conclusion, prosecution and punishment of the innocent citizens because of bad judgement; criminals denying their cases and going scot free, would all reduce. It will also assist the lawyers and the judges to perform their tasks and duties efficiently. So, if I could invent something new, I would invent ‘An Automated Judge’ for my country to be clean of crimes.

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