

Nigeria Political Movement

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“All of our social policies are based on the fact that their intelligence is the same as ours- whereas all the testing says not really.” This quote is by the man who co-discovered DNA, imagine the impact his quote has on millions of people. The single story of Africa has had a negative impact on the continent and has downplayed the value of the continent. My project was meant to contribute to abolishing this “single story”. My project was about the political movement in Nigeria, mostly focusing on SARS and the ENDSARS movement. My media involved interviewing my step father who was born and raised in Nigeria and has friends who are involved in the government in Nigeria. Our main focus was to shed light on the situation in Nigeria and hope that more people would become aware of the conflict in Africa.

In the beginning of my project I was doing a lot of research, talking to family friends and family members. I didn't want to use articles and regular sources, I wanted to make sure that the sources were reliable and from people who have actually experienced the environment and personally witnessed the movement. I learned a lot from the interview and it definitely helped with my understanding of the movement. I learned that the Political movement in Nigeria has gotten worse and that many Nigerians are dying because of it. I learned that SARS was used as an anti-robbery police task force used to prevent robberies in Nigeria but lately have been robbing Nigerians freedom. I learned that they are targeting young Nigerian males who wear what is considered flashy clothes and certain hair styles. The targeting of young African males who wear flashy

clothes connects back to the single story that most people who live in africa are “poor” and the impact a single story of africa has.

The media format I chose was an interview on the story corps app. I interviewed my step-father who was born and raised in the southside of nigeria. He came to the United States about 10 years ago and I thought it was interesting to hear about Nigeria and the connection the political movement in Nigeria and the US share. I was definitely surprised when he said that he has friends in the government who are helping the youth with the endsars movement. I also learned that the media was playing a role in spreading the news in nigeria. My step father also mentioned that not a lot of people that didn't live in nigeria didn't know about what goes in nigeria was because of the news outlet. Nigeria didn't always have a media outlet and American media never showcased Africa unless it was about a “charity case”. My step dad told me that if he was still living in nigeria than he would have participated in the #ENDSars movement and I thought was really interesting and impactful.

In conclusion my media overall represented the Sars movement and the youth of nigeria. My main audience was everyone, I want everyone to know about SARS and the movement in nigeria. When it comes to the question of whether the single story of Africa has a negative impact on the people of Africa I would agree. My main focus was to portray the importance of showing two sides of a story instead of a single one. I felt like my project overall was amazing and the experience was fun. I had fun talking to my family members who witnessed the movement first hand and I was saddened by how many Nigerians who lived there were taken. In the beginning of the project I was a little biased, I thought that the youth were actually antagonizing the SARS task force but as I did more research I realized that wasn't the case but it was actually the opposite. I learned alot from this project and I wanna thank my family and step dad for helping me shed light on nigeria political movement. “The single story creates stereotypes, and the

problem with stereotypes is not that they are untrue but incomplete. They make one story, they become the only story." - Ngozi adichie

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