

Hi, Jaemee – see my comments below.

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We as U.S. citizens often take for granted the simplest things in life. We don't acknowledge how so many other individuals around the world would rather be in our shoes even just for a moment. Voting has become a very complex process, but we have encouraged individuals of all ages, race, religion, sex, disability, and national origin to unit [Right word?] and equally have the right to vote for our leadership. Though the media has a lot to do with how our society is influenced on which party to support, this is not always the case for other countries. For instance Nigeria is in the process of electing their new leader, but through two different media resources we can further analyzes-analyze the more informative resource about their election process.

Comment [SK1]: Age should be singular for parallel construction.

The Cable News Network (CNN) may be considered a reliable resource about local, national, and global news. The CNN coverage of the presidential election for Nigeria focused on their economic muscle to an abundant supply or [of?] oil resources and regional influences, but did note minimal differences between the two candidates. The current president and candidate, Goodluck Johnathan, is associated with the southern part of Nigeria, a former zoologist, predecessor of the form [former?] president, and well like-liked by his constituents (Purefoy & Neild, 2011). The other leading presidential candidate, Muhammedu Buhari, is a retired general who have-has yet to win any of his attempts for office and a member of the northern part of Nigeria. The election process has historical been a difficult time for the Nigerian community and often the unsuccessful party rebels. The previous candidates and elected official have all made promises they were unable to keep. This has greatly affected the average constituents because of the decline of educational-education, healthcare, and overall moral-morale to live longer (Purefoy & Neild, 2011). This election will affect the global economy because of their upper hand on

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regulating the oil exports to several major international oil companies. The Nigerian economy relies so much of this export revenue, but there are consistently monetary issues that end in death. The political parties rely on this revenue for their salary and over the last four years, they have distinguished that “\$40 billion has vanished from Nigeria’s oil revenue accounts” (Purefoy & Neild, 2011, para. 14).

The Guardian Unlimited was established in 1995 as an independent electronic publication of Guardian and Observer in the U.K. (Unknown, 2010). The Guardian Unlimited’s news coverage of the Nigeria presidential election focused on their election process rather than the candidates. ~~With~~ having the largest population in Africa, 150 million people, ~~you figured~~ they would have a manageable election system, but they have ~~eonsistent~~ consistently struggled to get their constituents to vote within the three week process. It’s not a matter of time or limited opportunities to vote for their elected leaders, but this year’s election started off with about 700 people’s voters’ ~~register~~ registration missing and several voting polls without election material (Dowden, 2011). Dowden (2011) noted that the 2007 election had ~~was~~ a “violent farce” and represented “at the most, 10% of the will of the people” (para. 5). ~~Nigeria~~ economy has grown over the past decade with its vast supply of oil and mineral resources, but has also contributed to their largest export revenue with the US being the largest buyer. You would assume with this economic incline they would better accommodate the needs of its people, ~~but~~ yet they have ~~been~~ not kept their process [promise?] to increase a safe environment or increase health care and education for ~~its~~ their constituents. Only the investors [Sidenote: including US oil companies] and individuals who have control over these resources have benefited from the economic boom. They have recently elected an academic leader who helped bring in a voter education program that identified 72.5 million voters with photographs (Dowden, 2011). The constituents have

Comment [SK3]: Above you used the editorial we. Now you are switching to “you.” It might be better to say “one might assume” or something similar rather than “you figured.” In addition, “you figured” makes an assumption about what the reader thinks and is alienating.

Comment [SK4]: Either “The Nigerian economy...” OR “Nigeria’s economy...”

attempted to vote for the best candidate to rule Nigeria, but there are still various aspects they must consider. Each candidate represents a different party and a different community of Nigeria, but with the lack of enforcement on allowing the constituents [to] vote freely they struggle to get a friendly election. The constituents do not have an easy task, since the “72.5 million registered voters have 54 parties to choose from, but only 20 presidential candidates” (Dowden, 2011, para. 21). They anticipate having a repeated election experience of 2007, but anticipate decreasing the falsification of results by counting the ballots prior to leaving each polling station ((Dowden, 2011, para. 22).

Though the two news articles ~~were~~ discussed the Nigeria-Nigerian presidential election, they focused on different aspects of the process ~~in which~~that involved the candidates, the constituents, and the reasoning as to why it may affect the oil and natural mineral resources [they] have control of. CNN focused on the candidates and how because they represent different communities with in the 36 states of Nigeria they can influence the different policies of how they export their resources and how they take care of their constituents. The CNN coverage also featured how the presidential election can they can easily gain global power by limiting the export of resources and gaining an upper hand in more power beyond the Nigeria land. The [they?] note the different advantages and disadvantages each candidate may hold as a leader and they might foresee the country being lead in the future. The CNN focuses on the power rather than the community they are representing. The Guardian Unlimited did discuss the presidential candidates, but focused on the ~~affects-effects~~ of the election ~~to-on~~ the registered voters being able to vote freely and willingly. If you consider that there are only 72.5 million registered voters compared to the 150 million individuals living in Nigeria, they have not truthfully promoted equal voting procedures or a safe environment to do so. [Does the 150 million include children?]

Comment [SK5]: What is the antecedent for they? In the first part of the sentence, they refers to the two news articles.

The Guardian Unlimited went on to discuss the struggles that constituents have endured to vote for their future leader and/or to participate with the voting process. The article discussed how the individual who was ~~possible~~possibly responsible for the lost registrations could have potentially been killed. There is a great deal of miscommunications, but death should not be the result of this dilemma. Both media resources have noted that the previous elected candidates have yet to keep their promises of utilizing the export revenue to increase safety, health care, or educational programs for their constituents. With the concerns of the lack of military ruling both candidates are not as concerned about their constituents, but are more concerned about their personal gains from their given roles within the community. With more responsibilities come more benefits, but why do their constituents have to pay for their actions?

Comment [SK6]: Subject-verb agreement: should be either... Are miscommunications... or... is miscommunication.

The CNN and Guardian Unlimited have the right intent to provide the global community information about the Nigeria election, but who are they trying to influence and why? Why should we care about the Nigeria election other than the possibility of acquiring minimal natural resources and/or oil for the United States? [As an issue of human rights?] How this will affect the Nigeria communities and individuals who don't support the election or [are] not registered to vote? The Guardian Unlimited noted how after the academic leader was elected they established an electronic voting system, but at what cost did they pay to have this system delivered and installed? [nd, electronic voting machines can be manipulated with not paper trail] We should be concerned about the misuse of the government spending and more about ~~the~~ how they could use their export revenue to better the lives of their constituents rather than their improving their personal gains.

Though our society relies heavily on various media resources we should not consider the information we hear as factual, ~~but~~ and we need to consider the other side of the story. We need

to remember that all stories have two sides. The CNN and Guardian Unlimited have clearly shown that there are two sides to the Nigeria presidential election; one being of the presidential candidates personal gains through their export revenue and the other being the struggles of the constituents being able to vote for a presidential candidate. The media in general is a great resources of information, but the information we should follow up on issues and express our concerns by further researching on the particular topic.

Comment [SK7]: Should either be: are great resources... or is a great resource.

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Jaemee, you have some good content and chose some interesting articles. You ask some good questions about “why” each has represented the election so differently. There are numerous grammatical errors making it difficult to follow parts of your paper.

#3: News Analysis and Comparison Paper, 20 points, due April 19, 4-5 pages	Points	
	Possible	Given
<u>Compare and contrast two versions of the same news story from two different news sources – global significance – 1 corporate, 1 independent</u>	<u>2.00</u>	<u>2.00</u>
<u>Analysis describes the global significance</u>	<u>2.00</u>	<u>1.50</u>
<u>Summarizes stories</u>	<u>2.00</u>	<u>2.00</u>
<u>Compares and contrasts the stories</u>	<u>5.00</u>	<u>4.50</u>
<u>Analysis is grounded in concepts from the text and websites and persuasive of distinction between facts and opinions</u>	<u>5.00</u>	<u>2.50</u>
<u>Writing, grammar, punctuation, grammar</u>	<u>4.00</u>	<u>3.00</u>
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