

Envoy urges Nigerians to embrace hard work

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Nigeria's High Commissioner to the United Kingdom, Ambassador George Adesola Oguntade said hard work and dedication to one's responsibilities could lead to achievement, recognition and reward. The high commissioner made the remarks in London at the presentation of a book, 'Nigeria-British Politicians in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland: A Book of Profiles'.

He, therefore, urged Nigerians in the UK to embrace these traits which he said, would endear them to their fellow citizens as well as their host community, and commended the author of the book for "chronicling important facts and events for posterity".

In his remarks, the author, Councillor Adedamola Aminu said the book tells the story of achievements and laudable contributions of first and second generations of Nigerian-British politicians in the UK.

Councillor Aminu, who served as Mayor of London Borough of Lambeth, expressed the hope that the book would be a reference point while the "modest achievements of these forerunners" would encourage upcoming generations "to get more involved and continue the progressive trend".

Earlier, the book reviewer, Prof Emmanuel Ademola attributed the achievements recorded by the Nigerian-British politicians to the parliamentary system of government in the UK. He called for Nigeria's return to parliamentary democracy, which he said, would be "more beneficial than the highly expensive presidential system that promotes and encourages corruption."