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Profile

I am a self-motivated individual dedicated to issues of security, peace and development on the African continent. I have an excellent grasp and professional military experience of African regional security environment, with an extensive field experiences in various countries in Africa and the Middle East. I also have a comprehensive knowledge of civil-military dynamics, particularly in an African context, and my excellent communication skills and ability to work well under pressure make me a reliable person to work with.

Education

- 2008-2009** **King's College, University of London, UK**
MA Conflict, Security and Development
- 2006-2008** **University of Leicester, UK**
MSc Security and Risk Management
- 2005** **Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration**
Post Graduate Certificate in Public Administration

Professional Courses

- 2006** **Army Combat Training School, Ghana**
Combat Team Commanders' Course
- 2005** **Ghana Armed Forces Command and Staff College**
Command and Staff Course, Junior Division
- 2003** **U.S. Army School of Signals, Fort Gordon, USA**
Signals Captains' Career Course
- 2001** **96th Civil Affairs Battalion, U.S. Army**
Disaster Management Course
- 2000** **Army Combat Training School, Ghana**
Young Officers' Course
- 1995** **Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst, UK**
Regular Army Officers' Commissioning Course

Career History/ Work Experience

10/08 to Date **King's College, University of London** *CSDG/ECOWAS Fellow*

- Undertook research and mentoring on work directly relevant to the work of key African regional organizations, working to generate African led ideas to address the challenges of peace and security on the continent.

11/08-12/08 **Complexity Research Group, London** *Analyst*

- Processed and conduct in-depth analyses of field work interviews as part of a team from the ECOWAS Project of the Humanitarian Futures Programme, King's College. The aim of the research was to forecast long term risks and response capabilities of the ECOWAS sub-region.

03/07- 03/08 **UN - AU Mission in Sudan** *Military Observer*

- Conducted investigative patrols, and compiled and wrote daily patrol and situation reports to the Force Headquarters.
- Assisted the team site commander to efficiently run the military team site by deploying and supervising staff officers in the day to day operational running of the teamsite, and oversaw the security and protection of the camp.

05/04 – 05/05 **UN Mission in the Ivory Coast** *Staff Officer*

- Was in charge of military communications at the mission Headquarters, with responsibilities for drawing and maintaining the communications plan for the mission, and allocating and controlling communications equipment to military units in the mission area.
- Planned and conducted communications exercises for emergency situations such as medical evacuations.

10/03 – 04/04 **4 Signal Squadron, Ghana Army** *Officer Commanding*

- Was the officer in charge of a squadron responsible for the installation and maintenance of all line and radio communications equipment for the Accra Garrison of the Ghana Armed Forces.

- Provided rear link communications and Signal Dispatch Service facilities between the Army Headquarters and all garrisons, peacekeeping operations and internal security operations.
- Managed and administered personnel of the squadron made up of 60 soldiers and 80 civilian employees of the Ministry of Defense.

09/02- 03/03

UN Interim Force in Lebanon

Battalion Signals Officer

- Provided fast, and effective communications support to infantry battalions in the mission area. This also entailed liaison with civilian communications personnel in Lebanon, Israel and the Force Headquarters.
- Ensured effective training and efficiency of signal radio operators, exchange operators and line technicians.
- Liaised with civilian communications personnel in Lebanon, Israel and UNIFIL Headquarters for the provision of communications support to the Battalion.

11/01- 05/02

UN Mission in the Congo

Company Second-in-Command

- I assisted the Commander of a military infantry company to command the company, and commanded the company in his absence.
- I was in charge of training, administration and discipline of the Infantry Company of 120 troops.
- Planned and rehearsed troops in fire safety and evacuation drills.
- I was in charge of the provision of disaster relief and assistance to the local communities.

12/00 – 10/01

Ghana Army Combat Training School

Tactics Instructor

- Trained officers and soldiers in military tactics and geopolitics, as well as training them for peacekeeping and internal security operations.
- Reviewed and evaluated Army Training programmes, manuals and

documents, and took part in the testing and evaluation of new weapons and equipment for the Army.

03/99-09/99 **UN Interim Force in Lebanon** *Battalion Signals Officer*

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10/97 - 11/98 **ECOWAS Monitoring Group, Liberia** *Platoon Commander*

- Commanded, trained and administered a platoon of 35 soldiers in a peacekeeping environment.
- Responsible for security and protection in a designated area of responsibility, and for the discipline of members of the platoon.
- Rendered humanitarian relief assistance to the local communities.

03/97 – 09/97 **UN Interim Force in Lebanon** *Platoon Commander*

- The duties and responsibilities were similar to above.

06/96 – 12/96 **1 Signal Regiment Ghana Army** *Adjutant*

- I was responsible for deployment of guards and duty officers, the activities and operations of all clerks in the unit Orderly Room, and the overall welfare and administration of troops in the Regiment.
- Responsible for the security and custody of all unit documents, and overall discipline in the unit.
- Monitored and evaluated the performance of unit personnel, and oversaw the running of day to day activities in the regiment.

Publications

'Funmi Olonisakin, Eka Ikpe and Paschal Badong (2009) 'The Future of Security and Justice for the Poor. A *'Blue Sky Think-Piece'*, Paper commissioned by the United Kingdom Department For International Development.

Lt Paschal Badong (1999) 'The Role of the Signals Detachment in the Operational Area', Published in *The Litani*, a magazine of the Ghanaian Peacekeeping Contingent in the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon.

Unpublished Papers

Abigail Gyimah, Benjamin Campion and Paschal Badong (2009) 'Natural Resource Conflicts in Ghana', a co-authored chapter in an edited book yet to be published.

Paschal Badong (2008) 'The Security Agencies in Ghana. How prepared are they to deal with terrorism?', Unpublished MSc Dissertation.