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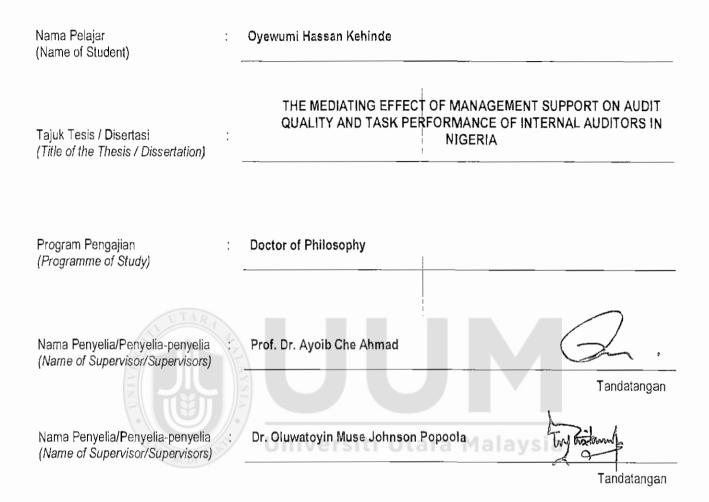
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ABSTRACT

This study examines the audit quality determinants on task performance (TP) of internal auditors (IAs) in the Nigerian Tertiary Institutions. Audit quality determinants in this study, therefore, comprise independence and objectivity (IND), internal and external auditors' relationship (IEAR), communication skills (CS) and management support (MS). The study further investigates the mediating effect of MS on the relationship between IND, IEAR, CS, and the TP in tertiary institutions. This quantitative research employs a cross-sectional design, a survey method, and questionnaire technique. The researcher distributed 528 questionnaires to the respondents, out of which 360 questionnaires were found usable for analysis. Also, the study employs Partial Least Squares-Structural Equation Modelling (PLS-SEM) as a statistical analysis tool. Ten hypotheses were formulated and tested. The results support seven hypothesised relationships, which are significant and positive. Specifically, the findings reveal that IND, CS, and MS have positive significant relationships with the TP, which implies that they have a substantial influence on the TP. Similarly, the findings show that IND and IEAR have positive significant relationships with MS, which indicates they have an impact on the MS, and MS mediates the relationship between IND, IEAR and TP. Three hypotheses are not supported. They are IEAR to TP, CS to MS, and the mediating (MS) effect of CS on TP. This study contributes to theory, methods and practice by introducing CS and employs MS as a mediating variable on TP of IAs. It provides awareness for IAs to have a reasonable level of independence and objectivity, secure adequate management support, promote cordial relationship with the external auditors, and possess excellent communication skills for the actualisation of effective and efficient TP. It also has an implication on the government, regulatory authorities, council, and the management of tertiary institutions.

Keywords: task performance, management support, audit quality, internal auditors, Nigeria

ABSTRAK

Kajian ini meneliti kualiti penentu audit ke atas prestasi tugas (TP) juruaudit dalaman (IA's) di Institusi Pengajian Tinggi Nigeria. Penentu kualiti audit dalam kajian ini terdiri daripada kebebasan dan objektiviti (IND), hubungan juruaudit dalaman dan luar (IEAR), kemahiran berkomunikasi (CS) dan sokongan pengurusan (MS). Kajian ini selanjutnya menyelidik kesan perantara MS terhadap hubungan antara IND, IEAR, CS dan TP di institusi pengajian tinggi. Kajian kualitatif ini menggunakan reka bentuk kajian keratan rentas dan kaedah soal selidik. Pengkaji telah mengedarkan sebanyak 528 borang soal selidik kepada responden, dan hanya 360 daripadanya boleh digunakan untuk dianalisis. Kajian ini juga menggunakan Pemodelan Persamaan Kuasa Dua Terkecil Berstruktur (PLS-SEM) untuk menganalisis statistik. Sebanyak sepuluh hipotesis telah dibina dan diuji. Kajian menyokong tujuh hipotesis yang dihubungkan, yang didapati signifikan dan positif. Secara khususnya, hasil kajian menunjukkan IND, CS dan MS mempunyai hubungan yang signifikan dengan TP yang menunjukkan bahawa ianya mempunyai pengaruh yang besar terhadap TP. Pada masa yang sama, hasil kajian menunjukkan IND dan IEAR mempunyai hubungan yang signifikan dengan MS dan ini menunjukkan ianya memberi kesan terhadap MS dan MS pula merupakan perantara hubungan antara IND, IEAR dan TP. Terdapat tiga hipotesis yang tidak disokong. Hipotesis tersebut adalah hubungan IEAR terhadap TP, CS terhadap MS dan kesan pengantara (MS) CS terhadap TP. Kajian ini menyumbang kepada teori, kaedah dan amalan dengan memperkenalkan CS dan menggunakan MS sebagai pemboleh ubah pengantara TP terhadap IA. Kajian ini memberikan kesedaran kepada IA agar mempunyai tahap kebebasan dan ojektiviti yang munasabah, mempunyai sokongan pengurusan yang mencukupi, mempunyai hubungan yang baik dengan juruaudit luar, serta memiliki kemahiran berkomunikasi yang baik untuk TP yang cekap dan berkesan. Hal ini juga memberikan kesan terhadap kerajaan, penguatkuasa, majlis dan pengurusan institusi pengajian tinggi.

Kata Kunci: prestasi tugas, sokongan pengurusan, kualiti audit, juruaudit dalaman, Nigeria

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ANAN	Association of National Accountants of Nigeria
AGF	Auditor-General for the Federation
AVE	Average Variance Extracted
CAE	Chief Audit Executive
СВОК	Common Body of Knowledge
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CFO	Chief Finance Officer
CHIADINCOE	Committee of Heads of Internal Audit Directorate in Colleges
	of Education
CHIADINU	Committee of Head of Internal Audit Departments/Units in
	Nigerian Universities
CIA	Chief Internal Auditor
CIAGFS	Committee on Internal Audit Guidance for Financial Services
CS	Communication Skills
CR	Composite Reliability Utara Malaysia
CVR	Cross-Validated Redundancy
DA	Director of Audit
EFCC	Economic and Financial Crimes Commission
ETS	Educational Testing Service
FGFR	Federal Government Financial Regulations
HEO	Higher Executive Officer
НОА	Head of Audit
IAD	Internal Audit Department
IA	Internal Auditors
IBM SPSS	Integrated Business Machine Statistical Packages for Social
	Sciences

ICAN	Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria
IEAR	Internal and External Auditors Relationship
IELTS	English Language Testing System
IFAC	International Federation of Accountants
IFRS	International Financial Reporting Standard
IIA	Institute of Internal Auditor
IND	Independence and Objectivity
IPPF	International Professional Practice Framework
IPSAS	International Public Sector Accounting Standard
ISA	International Standards on Auditing
ISPPIA	International Standards for the Professional Practice of
	Internal Auditing
MS	Management Support
NAO	National Audit Office
NBTE	National Board for Technical Education
NCCE	National Commission for Colleges of Education
NSA	Nigerian Standards on Auditing
NSQC	Nigerian Standards on Quality Control
NTI	Nigerian Tertiary Institutions
NUC	National Universities Commission
OLRT	Outer Loading Relevance Testing
OYAGS	Othman Yeop Abdullah Graduate School of Business
PLS-SEM	Partial Least Squares-Structural Equation Modeling
SSE	Sum of the Squared Prediction Errors
SSO	Sum of Squared Observations
TOEFL	Test of English as a Foreign Language
TP	Task Performance

TPIA	Task Performance of Internal Auditors
UI	University of Ibadan
UUM	Universiti Utara Malaysia
VC	Vice-Chancellor
VIF	Variance Inflation Factor



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CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background to the Study

The downfall of Enron and many other prominent companies in the world has shifted the attention of organisational stakeholders to internal auditing task performance (Christopher, 2014; Dhamankar & Khandewale, 2003). Internal auditing task has become an important control mechanism in every organisation (Ahmad, 2015; Badara & Saidin, 2014; Baharud-din, Shokiyah, & Ibrahim, 2014; Unegbu & Kida, 2011; Cohen & Sayag 2010).

Internal auditing task in the world has metamorphosed from its traditional role of ticking the box by examining the financial and accounting activities of the organisation to examining the entire operation of the organisation (Algeru, 2011). Al-Twaijry, Brierley, and Gwilliam (2003) specify two significant benefits derivable from having internal audit function in an organisation. Firstly, the organisation tends to gain from the conventional audit leading to prevention and detection of irregularities and fraud and safeguarding the assets of the organisation. Secondly, the organisation benefits from the value audit which has to do with the economy, efficiency, and effectiveness of all activities of the organisation. The ultimate goal of internal audit task, therefore, is to add value to the overall activities of an organisation through the economy, efficiency, and effectiveness.

The value-adding function of internal auditing cuts across all businesses, sectors, and organisations. However, Al-Twaijry *et al.* (2003) argue that this value adding function may not be effective in developing countries. Based on this background,

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APPENDICES

Research Questionnaire

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2	Request letter by the Researcher
3	Letter of Introduction from OYAGSB
4	Acknowledgement by National Universities Commission (NUC)
5	Acknowledgement by National Commission for Colleges of Education (NCCE)
6	Acknowledgement by the National Board for Technical Education (NBTE)
7	University of Abuja
8	Kaduna Polytechnic
9	Kaduna State University (KASU)
10	Ahmadu Bello University (ABU), Zaria
11	Bayero University, Kano (BUK)
12	Federal College of Education, Kano
13	Kano State Polytechnic, Kano
14	Sokoto State University
15	Sokoto State Polytechnic
16	Uthman Danfodiyo University, Sokoto
17	Shehu Shagari College of Education, Sokoto
18	Fountain University, Osogbo
19	Federal Polytechnic, Ede
20	Kogi State Polytechnic, Lokoja
21	Federal Polytechnic, Ede
22	Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijebu Ode
23	Federal University of Technology, Lokoja
24	Obafemi Awolowo University (OAU), Ile Ife.
25	Osun State University, Osogbo

26 Oke-Ogun Polytechnic, Saki

- 27 Kwara State Polytechnic, Ilorin
- 28 Kwara State College of Education, Ilorin
- 29 Osun State Polytechnic, Ire
- 30 University of Port-Harcout
- 31 Alvan Ikoku College of Education, Owerri
- 32 Federal University of Technology, Owerri
- 33 Institute of Management and Technology, Enugu
- 34 Enugu State College of Education
- 35 Enugu State University of Technology, Enugu
- 36 University of Nigeria, Nsukka
- 37 University of Ibadan
- 38 The Polytechnic, Ibadan
- 39 Federal College of Education (Technical), Akoka
- 40 University of Lagos
- 41 Lagos State University
- 42 Yaba College of Technology, Lagos
- 43 Moshood Abiola Polytechnic, Abeokuta
- 44 Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta
- 45 Federal College of Education, Abeokuta
- 46 Federal College of Education (Special), Oyo
- 47 Olabisi Onabanjo University (OOU), Ago Iwoye
- 48 University of Ilorin
- 49 Some complimentary cards of Heads of Internal Audit Department

APPENDIX 1.0 RESEARCH QUESTIONNAIRE



RESEARCH QUESTIONNAIRE

Tunku Puteri Intan Safinaz School of Accountancy, Universiti Utara Malaysia, 06010, Sintok, Kedah Malaysia.

Dear sir/Madam,

LETTER OF INTRODUCTION

I am a postgraduate student from University Utara Malaysia (UUM), and I am currently conducting research on the factors affecting internal audit task performance in Nigerian Tertiary Institutions as part of PhD requirements.

This questionnaire is purely meant for academic purpose and will be treated as such. You are therefore assured that your responses to the questionnaire will be treated with high level of confidentiality. All information provided shall be treated with utmost confidentiality. The results will be reported in such a way that anonymity of the respondent is preserved.

Thank you for your participation.

Yours faithfully,

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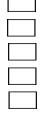
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1 What is your institutional category?	UniversityPolytechnicCollege of Education
2 Your institution is in which geopolitica	al zone? North East North West North Central South East South West
3 What is your gender? Male Female	South-South
4 What is your highest academic qualific	cation? OND/NCE
	First Degree/HND Post Graduate Diploma Masters PhD
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PART 1: DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

5 Which professional body do you hold its certificate? None
ACCA/CISA
ACPAN
ANAN
ICAN

6 What is your year of experience in Internal Audit Department?

5 years and below
6-10
11-15
16-20
21 and above



PART 2

Based on your institution, kindly indicate your level of agreement with the following

statements in Sections A-E. All questions have the same options.

SECTION A

Task performance

	Statement	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
1	Internal audit monitors the adequacy and effectiveness of the institution's internal controls system					
2	Internal audit monitors compliance with both internal and external rules and regulations					
3	Internal audit evaluates and monitors the effectiveness of institution's financial management system					
4	Internal audit assesses institution's exposure to risk					
5	Internal audit examines the accuracy and reliability of financial records and report					
6	Internal audit reviews the means of safeguarding assets.					
7	Internal audit detects and reports fraud and irregularities					

SECTION B

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Management support

	Statement	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
1	Senior management supports internal audit to perform its duties and responsibilities by providing necessary facilities to the department/unit.	Disagree				- Agree
2	Senior management involves in the internal audit plan					
3	The response to internal audit reports by the management is reasonable					
4	Internal audit staff strength is adequate and sufficient to successfully carry out its duties and responsibilities					
5	Internal audit budget is sufficient to successfully carry out its duties and responsibilities.					
6	My institution provides training programmes for internal auditors					
7	My institution encourages and supports continuing education for internal auditors					

SECTION C

Objectivity and Independence

	Statement	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
1	Internal audit is sufficiently independent to perform its professional obligations and duties	Disugree				ligiou
2	Internal audit reports its activities periodically to the committee of council					
3	Conflict of interest is rarely present in the work of internal auditors					
4	Internal auditors possess unrestricted access to all faculties, departments, units, offices, personnel, properties and records of the institution.					
5	Internal auditors face interference from the management during the normal conduct of work.					
6	The committee of Council approves the appointment, evaluation, promotion, and removal of the head of Internal Audit Department.					
7	The Council committee approves internal audit budget					
8	Internal Auditors do not perform non-audit functions.					

SECTION D

Internal and external auditors' relationship

	Statement	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
1	External auditors to my institution cooperate and give support to internal audit.					
2	External auditors have a good attitude towards internal auditors					
3	External auditors are willing to give internal auditors an opportunity to explain their concerns					
4	Internal and external auditors consult on the timing of work in which they have a mutual interest					
5	External auditors discuss their plans with internal audit					
6	External auditors rely on internal audit work and reports					
7	External and internal auditors meet on a regular basis					
8	External and internal auditors share their working papers					
9	Senior management helps to promote effective co-operation between internal and external audit.					

SECTION E

Communication Skills

	Statement	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
1	Internal audit conveys effectively, in written communication, audit objectives and recommendations to the management					
2	Internal audit conveys effectively, in oral communication, audit objectives and recommendations to the management					
3	Internal audit maintains satisfactory report relationship with the Deans, Heads of Departments, Heads of Units, and all members of staff.					
4	Internal audit reports are issued in a clear, concise, and timely manner					
5	The Internal Audit representative attends top management meetings of the institution.					
6	The Head of Audit or his/her representative attends committee meetings relating to financial matters.					
7	Internal audit is normally represented in Investigation Panels relating to financial matters.					

Please indicate below any comments you may have with respect to any areas of this

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questionnaire.

Once again, thank you for your participation in answering this questionnaire.

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APPENDIX 2.0 Request Letter by the Researcher

School of Accountancy, College of Business. 6th April, 2016.

The Dean, School of Accountancy.

Name

Sir, REQUEST FOR LETTER OF INTRODUCTION TO COLLECT DATA I humbly write to request for a letter of introduction to collect data from Nigerian tertiary collection of data:

- National Universities Commission (i)
- (ii) National Board for Technical Education
- (iii) National Commission for Colleges of Education
- Office of the Auditor-General for the Federation (iv)
- (v) Heads of Audit Departments in Nigeria tertiary institutions

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Sir, I will like five copies of the original copy of the letter to be certified as true copy for submission to the various officers concerned. My particulars are as stated below:

Oyewumi	Hassan	Kehinde
	Oyewumi	Oyewumi Hassan

Matric Number

Prof. Dr Ayoib Che Ahmad

Supervisors

Thank you sir.

Yours faithfully, 14

Oyewumi, H.K.



APPENDIX 3.0 Letter of Introduction from OYAGSB



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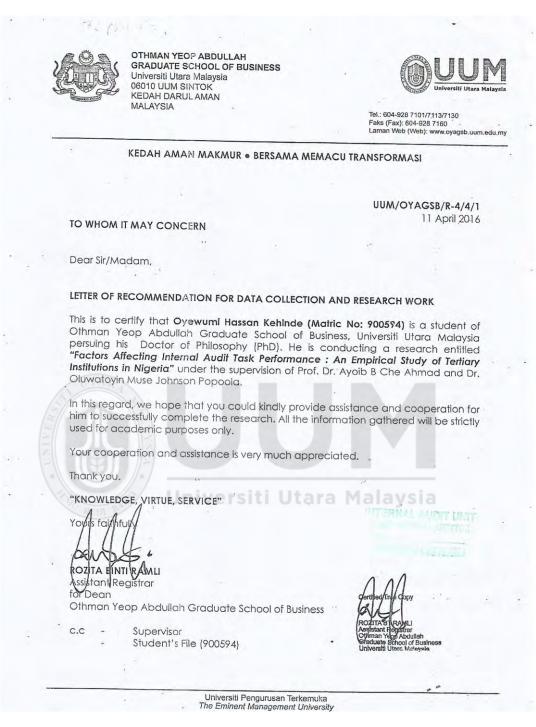
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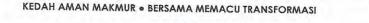
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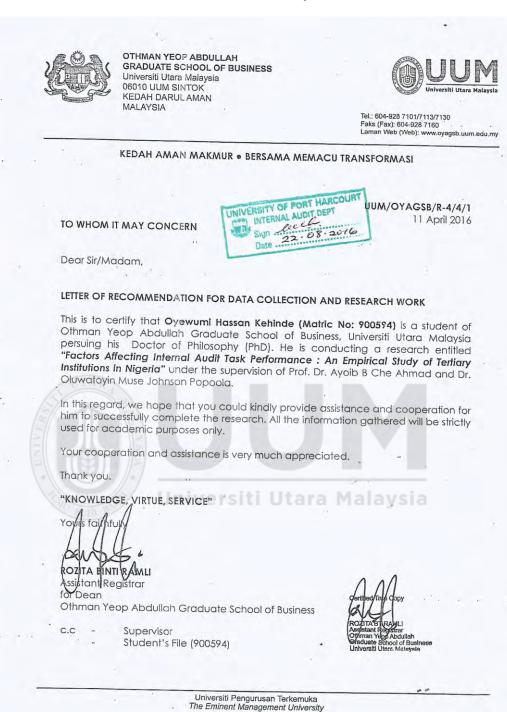
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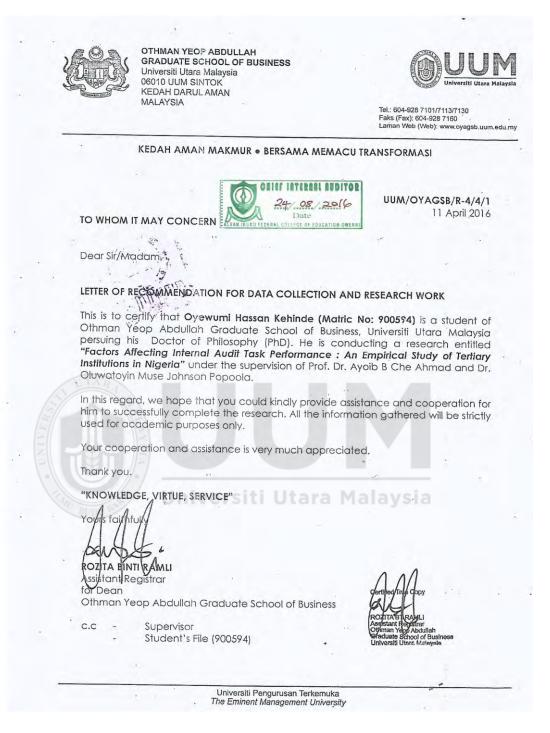
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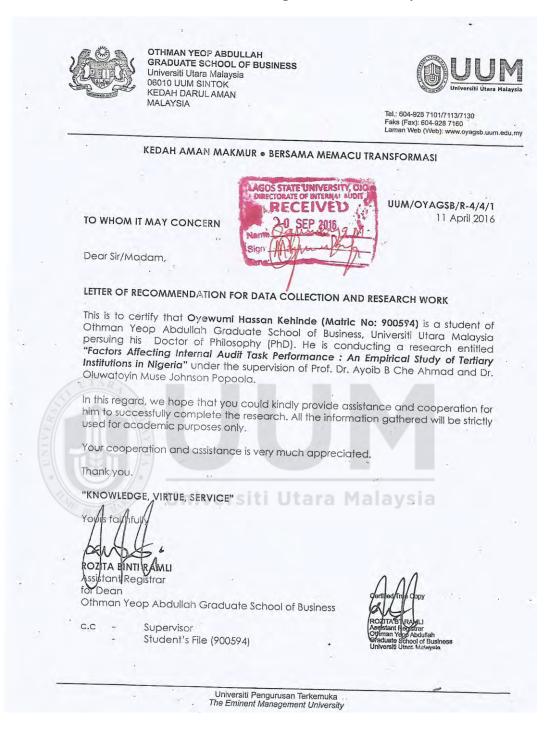
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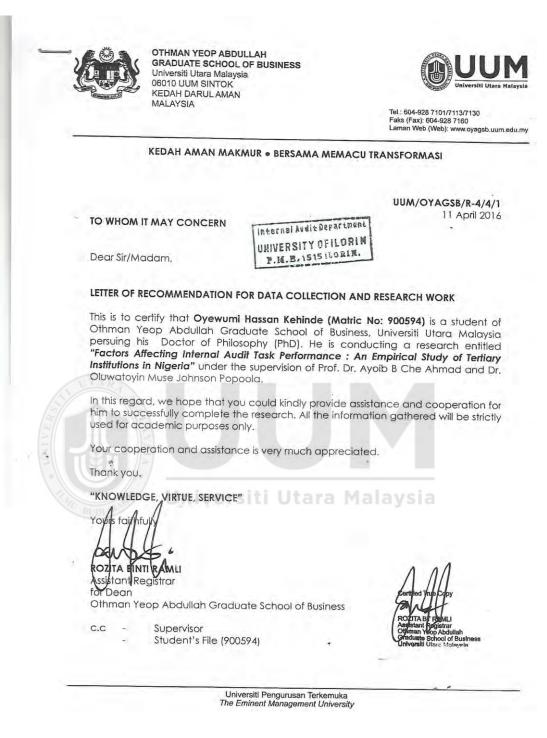
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