

EFFECTS OF THE NIGERIA POLICE FORCE PERSONNEL WELFARE CONDITION ON PERFORMANCE

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ABSTRACT

The current study assessed the state of welfare condition of the Nigeria Police Force. The study utilized in-depth interview supplemented with computer based literature and found that welfare condition of men and officers of the Nigeria Police Force is not encouraging. This study found that the inability of the police in Nigeria to effectively resolved crimes and perform their law enforcement duties efficiently are related to the poor welfare condition which has sapped the morale of the personnel of the agency. This study therefore recommends that the prevailing welfare condition of the personnel of the Nigeria Police Force should be improved upon. It is also a finding of this study that the police should be adequately equipped to enable the agency to effectively carry out their duties and responsibilities to the citizens. The findings are significant as they show that in emerging democratic societies like Nigeria, improvement in the welfare condition of the police through necessary reforms is a prerequisite for stable democratic system.