

**A REVIEW ON THE TOUR TO UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS, NAIROBI ON THE 7<sup>TH</sup> OF DECEMBER 2018 FACILITATED BY THE AKAD EDUCATION GROUP-AFRICA**



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The tour at the UN headquarters began at 10 A.M with a walk between the flags of the 193 member states of the United Nations which were arranged in alphabetical order with the Afghanistan flag being the first and the Zimbabwean flag being the last. A great big welcome sign was placed at which was an initiative of the Protocol Team as a sign of hospitality.



**Karibuni sign used to welcome visit**

The tour guide, Ms Ruth explained that the UN headquarters, Nairobi houses the UN Habitat and the United Nations Environment Programme. It being the headquarters of the Environmental Programme, it advocates for conservation of the environment in order to reduce global warming. It leads by example through construction of a *Green House* which runs entirely on solar power, rain water and recycled water as well as a natural air conditioning system utilising the *chimney effect* to achieve its *greenness*.

The conservation of wildlife is also taken seriously as gifts are displayed from different countries which advocate its conservation. They speak vividly that man is responsible for his own downfall through carelessness.

Being the month of 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights the group had a chance to express themselves using their talents through photography, poetry, writing charters and painting. The group enjoyed the activity as they got to share ideas and produce something common each of their team's areas that satisfied them.



**Power metre of the green house’s solar system**

The tour was a great eye-opener of the real state of the earth. It has awakened great insights in me and has prompted me to think of better ways to conserve the environment as it is a precious gift. It has also led me to know the harmful effects of pollution and how it affects other living beings apart from human beings. It has also led to my being aware of my surroundings and how to better the state of the environment.



**Sculpture representing polar bears on a melting iceberg due to global warming**

Thus, it is the responsibility of mankind to subdue the earth and bring it under control. The AKAD Education Group-Africa has globalised my thoughts and has enlightened me through this tour.

