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THANK YOU FOR THE DELEGATE CONVENTION.

June 5, 2008

Umunnem na Umunnam:

Thank you all for making the just concluded delegate convention in Atlanta, Georgia a highly fruitful one. I know that you have all returned safely to your various stations. Thank God Almighty for journey mercies.

As you can attest to, we accomplished a number of objectives that will help propel our great organization to a historic height. Chief amongst them are outlined below.

1. The following are key accomplishments achieved at the convention:
 - a. The Building Committee outlined their dreams and visions for the proposed Aro Cultural Center, USA.
 - b. There was a comprehensive update on the medical sustenance and efforts being made to extend affordable healthcare to our people.
 - c. The Committee set up to look into the New York/New Jersey/Connecticut issue gave a report, though the Chapter did not send a representative to the convention.
2. AAUSA accounting update was rendered with remarkable positive indications.
3. The New AAUSA website www.arookigbo.com is up and running with a lot of informative material.
4. AAUSA has agreed to retain a paid legal representative to protect our interest in Aro and beyond.
5. The Northern California Chapter is already planning big for the 2009 Convention and has a special set of activities planned for our youth wing.
6. Mazi Jideofor Oji from Dallas, Texas and Chief Martin Okoro from Chicago, Illinois were appointed Patrons. Their inauguration will be announced in due course.
7. AAUSA will aggressively seek financial commitment from Aros and Non Aros alike for the medical clinic sustenance and the building of the Aro Cultural Center, USA.

Above all, it was a peaceful and enjoyable delegate convention.

Thanks to the leadership and members of the Atlanta Chapter for being wonderful and generous hosts. What Atlanta Chapter did excoriated the old adage “There is strength in numbers.” Rather they proved that “There is strength in unity.” Special thanks to Mazi Innocent Oji, the Atlanta Chapter President, for being tolerant, cooperative, and uniting the members around a common Aro purpose.

A very special thanks to our patrons for their wise counsel and readiness to support the dreams and noble aspirations of AAUSA. We will all remain eternally grateful to you for your unalloyed show of love to Aros.

Please check our website for photos and other details.

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Even the weak become strong when they are united. ~
Johann Friedrich Von Schiller