AHAMEFULA

THE STORY OF A PEOPLE'S DETERMINATION Condensed Biographies of Eminent Igbo Patriots

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Foreword by Chief Sam Mbakwe Standing Ovation Books, 1997

Men and women of achievement are the fabric with which the cloth of history is made. Without men and women, there will be no history and without history mankind's existence is vain.

AHAMEFULA is the history of the Igbo people and Nigeria told from the perspective of the lives and times of Igbo heroes and heroines whether dead or alive.

The book presents some two hundred plus biographies of personalities drawn from every sphere of endeavor; politics and government, commerce and industry, academia, science and technology, arts and literature, music, sports, religion, military, law, and philanthropy.

AHAMEFULA (literally translated; let my name not be lost), is a tribute to the greatness of Igbo people for truly, every Igbo man or woman is born to achieve. It is recognition of the achievements of Igbo people, a record for posterity of those sterling qualities that have sustained their spirit of industry and sense of community, and a testament of their courage and ability to surmount great odds.

The book is inspired by Phillip Stanhope's premise that; *Knowledge may give weight, accomplishments give luster, but many more people see than weigh.* The world will not pay a dime for what a wise man knows but for what the wise man does with what he knows.