

## **NIGERIA'S THRIVING ECONOMY LURES NIGERIANS BACK HOME.**

Written by U.S Immigration News  
Tuesday, 03 January 2012 01:19 -

---



**Mr. Tunde Ogunrinde returned to Nigeria two years ago and now runs a fast-food chain.**

**Armed with a winning smile, the 42- year old chats easily with the staff working at the fast**

**food restaurant, Chicken Republic. But this is all relatively new for the chain's chief**

**operating officer. For two decades the father of three lived in the United Kingdom working**

**in a management position for a hamburger chain. Then two years ago he took the difficult**

**decision to move his family back to Nigeria, and now he is responsible for 65 Chicken Republic**

**restaurants.**

**No one keeps reliable statistics but he is one of thousands, possibly hundreds of thousands,**

## **NIGERIA'S THRIVING ECONOMY LURES NIGERIANS BACK HOME.**

Written by U.S Immigration News  
Tuesday, 03 January 2012 01:19 -

---

**of educated Nigerians who have decided to return because of a combination of strong growth back home and the economic slowdown in the Western World.**

**“At the height of the recession in Europe and the United States, it was crazy because**

**everyone was getting in touch saying they wanted to go home,” says Ade Odutola from the**

**job recruitment website Wazobia.com. He also said, lots of Nigerians who left in the 1980s**

**and early 90s now realize that it is possible to be successful back home and that’s a real**

**magnet pulling them back to Nigeria.**

**Back at Chicken Republic, the lunchtime crowd is starting to arrive. As he watches the fried**

**chicken depart and money come in, Mr. Ogunrinde is also reflecting on the difference**

**between business in Europe and Nigeria.**

**SOUTH AFRICAN WOMAN ARRESTED FOR HIDING COCAINE IN HER DREAD LOCKS.**

**A woman was caught trying to smuggle 1.5 kilograms of cocaine in her dreadlocks on a**

**flight to Bangkok, it was reported. South African, Nobanda Nolubabalo, 23, was arrested and**

**held in Thailand's capital after custom officers allegedly noticed a suspicious white**

**substance in her hair.**

**Officials later carried out a search and discovered she had allegedly matted the Class A drug**

**into her dreadlocks before boarding a flight from Brazil. A search found traces of white**

**substance which turned out to be cocaine.**

**Nolubabalo was being held in custody after being held at Bangkok's International**

**Suvarnabhumi Airport as she disembarked a Qatar Airways flight which had come from Sao**

**Paolo via Doha. The Bangkok Post reported that the suspect had allegedly admitted trying**

**to smuggle the drug and claimed she had done so after being hired to work as a drug mule**

**by a Thailand based businessman for 1,200 pounds.**

**Thailand has some of the toughest anti-drugs laws on the planet, with judges permitted to**

**impose the death penalty on traffickers. The South African's arrest follows the execution**

**of another South African citizen this week for drug smuggling in China. Janice Linden, 38,**

**was executed by lethal injection on Monday after she was caught in November 2008 trying**

**to smuggle 3kg of crystal meth into China.**

**Olakunle O. Bolarinwa,**

**Is a Nightline Family Member Of The Voice Of America {VOA}.**

## **NIGERIA'S THRIVING ECONOMY LURES NIGERIANS BACK HOME.**

Written by U.S Immigration News  
Tuesday, 03 January 2012 01:19 -

---

**E-mail:** [busayj@gmail.com](mailto:busayj@gmail.com)