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Identify the roles of specific international organization in responding to COVID-19 pandemic globally

**ABSTRACT**

The global pandemic is arguably the earth greatest threat since the flu and well Ebola that affected most of Sub-Saharan Africa and West Africa. World leaders have underestimated the devastating nature of the novel covid-19.

Donald Trump the 45th president of the United States of America has compared the covid-19 to the flu and unfortunately to the detriment of American citizens and Trumps administration with the vast increase in the numbers of recorded cases, illuminates the severity of the covid-19 pandemic. The global pandemic has kept the world on halt, the economies of the world are currently on a stand still. In a bid to avoid the economic impacts of the covid-19, Brazil has antagonized the policy on social distancing.

Thus “uncertainty” is the agenda of the day, as a vaccine or a cure

Hasn’t been found this has indeed fueled the proliferation of fake news and has led to use of propaganda and alleged cure for the covid-19. This essay aims to elucidate on the role of international organization in responding to the global pandemic. Subsequently a case study will be given particularly the WHO

**INTRODUCTION**

Coronavirus disease 2019(covid-19) is defined as an illness caused by a novel coronavirus now called severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-COV-2;formerly called 2019-ncov0 which was first identified amid an outbreak of respiratory illness cases in Wuhan city , Hubei Province , China , it was initially reported to the who on December 31 2019, on January 30,2020 , the Who declared the Covid-19 a global pandemic , its first such designation since declaring H1N1 influenza a pandemic in 2009

Illness caused by SARS COV-2 was recently termed COVID-19 by the WHO , the new acronym derived from “coronavirus disease 2019” Thee name was chosen to avoid stigmatizing the virus’s origins in terms of populations , geography , or animal associations

It is paramount to state that due to the policies that were selected to combat the corona-virus, specifically “the policy on social distancing”. This has led to a vast increase in the use of social media .Globalization has indeed aided that cause. As important meetings are held online, classes are held online etc.

Unfortunately for the populace the proliferation of fake use and propaganda has become the agenda of the day.

**CASE STUDY 1**

**THE W.H.O**

It is paramount to state that in responding to this pandemic, the efforts are out rightly multilateral .The W.H.O has been that organized global voice that condemns the aforementioned propaganda .Thus due to the global uncertainty and the pressing need for a vaccine there has largely been the proliferation of fake news, with either a political agenda or otherwise .To mention a few, ***THE DILLEMA FOR THE CURE OF THE CORONA VIRUS?***

It is important to note that there isn’t any identified cure for the covid-19.But the dilemma surrounding a solution to the problem has provided an opportunity for speculation, fake hypothesis that has been circulated online.

News indeed was circulated by adults on a platform called “whatsapp”, Now there have been claims that by boiling 8 chopped garlic cloves along with ginger and lime with about 7 glasses of water cures the corona virus. This news is indeed false and very amusing really.

Furthermore, the president of the united states of a America has suggested that ‘hydro chloroquine “should be used in the treatment of the virus, however the drug has not been confirmed by scientist. Unfortunately for the citizens this act of ambiguity has led to an influx of patients that have overdosed from hydrochloroquine.

Also, ***THE USE OF PROPAGANDA TO DISCREDIT THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT AND THE NIGERIAN GOVERNMENT?***

In a bid to discredit the Chinese government and paint them more as the villain, Speculations has gone round that kits gotten from china, were infected with the corona virus. As states clamored for equipment’s to combat the virus such as mask, ventilators etc. and the unavailability of those equipment’s, they indeed had to import from china. But as I aforementioned claims have gone round that the Chinese government infected does kits that were bought by other states.

Also, they were claims that Nigeria a regional hegemon in West Africa, imported used kits from china. And they indeed cannot burden the economic cost of the kits so a Chinese billionaire donated. All the aforementioned information are indeed false.

Thus, the W.H.O has served as a platform for clarity. It has indeed condemned this dodgy health recommendations.

Paradoxically, it was criticized by the 45th president of the United States of America, as they advised Trump to do otherwise, as regards to the closure of it borders.

Ultimately, they coordinate a global response to the pandemic, they advise states on the measures to take.

For Instance, The policy on social distancing, remains integral in combating the devastating nature of the coronavirus. States are advised to adhere strictly to the W.H.O recommendations.