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## **TOPIC; EFFECT OF KIDNAPPING.**

Kidnapping is a global problem that affects countries all over the world; from united states and mexico to manyt countries in Africa, Asia, and beyond. Governments are working hard to address this problem and ensure that the perpentrators are captured and brought to justice.

Kidnapping refers to the abduction and captivity of a person typically to obtain a ransom. Sometimes kidnappers hold their captives longer in order to demand more money from the victim relatives or associates. Kidnapping is not a new problem in Nigeria and iti s one of the country's biggest challenges. The country face many problems, including unemployment, corruption and low rates of education, thanks to high profile incidents perpetrated by a militant group known as Boko Haram, that has drawn the world's attention. The fact show that the rate of kidnapping in this country is indeed high.

Sometimes, ordinary citizens participate In kidnapping in order to line their pockets, usually youth who are hired by rich man to do their dirty business. the government of anambra issued a new law that changed the punishnment for anyone caught kidnapping, which is sentenced to death and anything purchased with the ransom money will be destroyed. They are many causes of kidnapping around the globe, including; unemployment, poverty, illiteracy, religion, greed, politics and corruption. In my own acknowledgement, the most common cause of kidnapping in nigeria is the lack of employment and corruption.

A society where corruption is rife is likely to experience a high level of kidnapping. the truth is that if a government is corrupt and embezzling public funds, citizens may react by kidnapping those corrupt politicians in attempt to recoup some of the stolen money.

For a victim, there are many negative consequences of kidnapping, kidnappers sometimes choose to torture their victims so that they can force money out of their relatives or associates. Sometimes they may even torture for fun, one form of torture is rape. The victim will most likely go through psychological trauma, the negative psychological effect of being abducted are huge, especially for a child. Depression, anxiety and post traumatic stress syndrome(PTSD) may last a lifetime.

Another effect of kidnapping is the cause of fear and lack of trust in victim and individuals. In a society where the incidence of kidnapping is high, fear limits people lives and actions. They will always move with caution as they do not know who might be the next target.

Along side any problem there is also a solutions that may help reduce the rate of kidnapping which includes; Training strong anti-kidnapping agents. Any country that want to fight kidnapping successfully must hire and train capable agents to combat the issue. Mostly in Nigeria, mild punishment does nothing to deter criminals. When government treats kidnappers harshly, fewer abductions will occur; Also generating jobs for citizens, especially for the youth, can have a huge impact in the fight against crime and to be able to eliminate this terrible scourge once and for all.

