Title of Article: Economic Constraint, Restiveness and Criminality Among Niger-Delta Youths: A Reflective Sociology

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Abstract: The paper located the most significant challenges confronting several developing nations globally is the rising population rate and slow zero economic growth rate worsened by corruption. The spillover of these related variables is consistently measured in high unemployment rate, depreciating standard of living and crime. Consequently, the problem when quantified presents an excruciating effect for the populace and triggers different responses to the frustration it engenders. In Nigeria, the most affected segment is the youth most of who do not only acquire the requisite qualification for job placement but also constitute the significant portion of her population whose potential remained under utilized. The underutilization accounts for increasing restlessness, rebellion, disorderliness, and crime across major ethnic boundaries. Within this context the paper examines the problem of youth neglect as a precursor of restlessness in the Niger-delta region. It also locates restlessness in this region with the ambit of state induced disorderliness and criminality.