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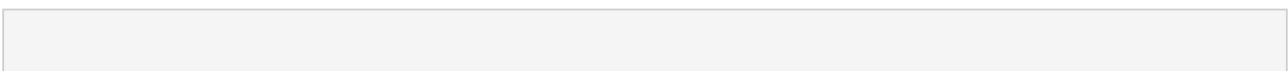
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(Nana Wilson-Tagoe, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London)

This is a work that nobody interested in the emerging corpus of world literature can afford to be without.

(Abiola Irele, Harvard University)

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