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## African Day 2019 London

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**USPA NEWS** - UPF's Africa Day celebration was an inspiring, passionate, colourful day with a contrast of speeches highlighting injustice, cultural dancing and singing. It was a programme with many Africans who had expertise or concern about a region of the African continent. Refugees from Eritrea, Egyptian rap about youth poverty in the land of the Pharaohs, poorly performing hydro-electric dams in DRC, to mentoring the future potential leadership across Africa: it was an eclectic mix.

Mulumba Kabongo explained the role of UPF and it's founder Mrs Dr Hak Ja Han Moon in Africa with slides of the Senegalese and South African Summits in 2018 among other activities in other nations. (See powerpoint here.) A video on the Sunhak Peace Prize illustrated the level of recognition given to influential Africans by UPF. (Video link here.) An Introduction UPF video demonstrated the partnership of the African Union with UPF.

While Lydia Tet Olett led all in a Kenyan cultural dance, another Kenyan, Jacqueline Onalo, told the folk story of 'The Oracle of Nakhabuka' who unexpectedly defeated her suitor in a traditional wrestling match to settle his claims to her hand. Several worthy causes were also promote

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