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Title of the Manuscript:	CONTROL OF MAIZE STEM BORER ( <i>Busseola fusca</i> F.) INFESTATION USING EXTRACTS OF <i>Carica papaya</i> and <i>Cymbopogon citratus</i> AND FURADAN IN UMUDIKE.
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**PART 1: Review Comments**

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<b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments	<p><b>Abstract:</b> include numeric values of the results</p> <p><b>Introduction</b> - be consistent on citation in the text eg line 37, the reference Mbah and Ogbodo 2013 should be removed and write the reference number as listed in reference list -be consistent in writing reference number in text (Line 40). Reference number 24 may not come before 23, 22, 21,20.....15 etc. These should be written in chronological order -numbering of reference in text should start with smallest number eg, 1, 22, 25,27 etc. (see line 64)</p> <p><b>Materials and Methods</b> -The design is not clear; You have 3 maize varieties, three treatments (two plant extracts each with two levels?), one Synthetic insecticide (Furadan) and Untreated control. The treatments are not clearly stated in this section. 1. Did you set three different experiments for each maize variety (if yes, then we should expect to have separate data from each variety). 2. Why air dried of the plant materials for two weeks and not for one week or more than two weeks (any reference for this?) 3.What have you based on choosing the application rates of the plant extracts and Furadan? 4. Why three varieties (is there any special issue with varieties). 5. Where are the data for the varieties? 6. Section 2.4 should come before section 2.3. In yield assessment: mention exactly when harvesting was done (range of 75 -80 is ambiguous). 7. What statistical tool did you use to run ANOVA? How did you separate the means?</p> <p><b>Results</b> - <b>Table captions should be written before the table and not below the table</b> <b>According to tables; your treatments are</b> <i>Cymbopogon citratus</i> leaf ash (3g), <i>Carica papaya</i> leaf ash (3g), <i>Carica papaya</i> seed powder (4.5g) , Furadan (1.5g) and Control . These were not clearly stated in materials and Methods.</p>	
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Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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