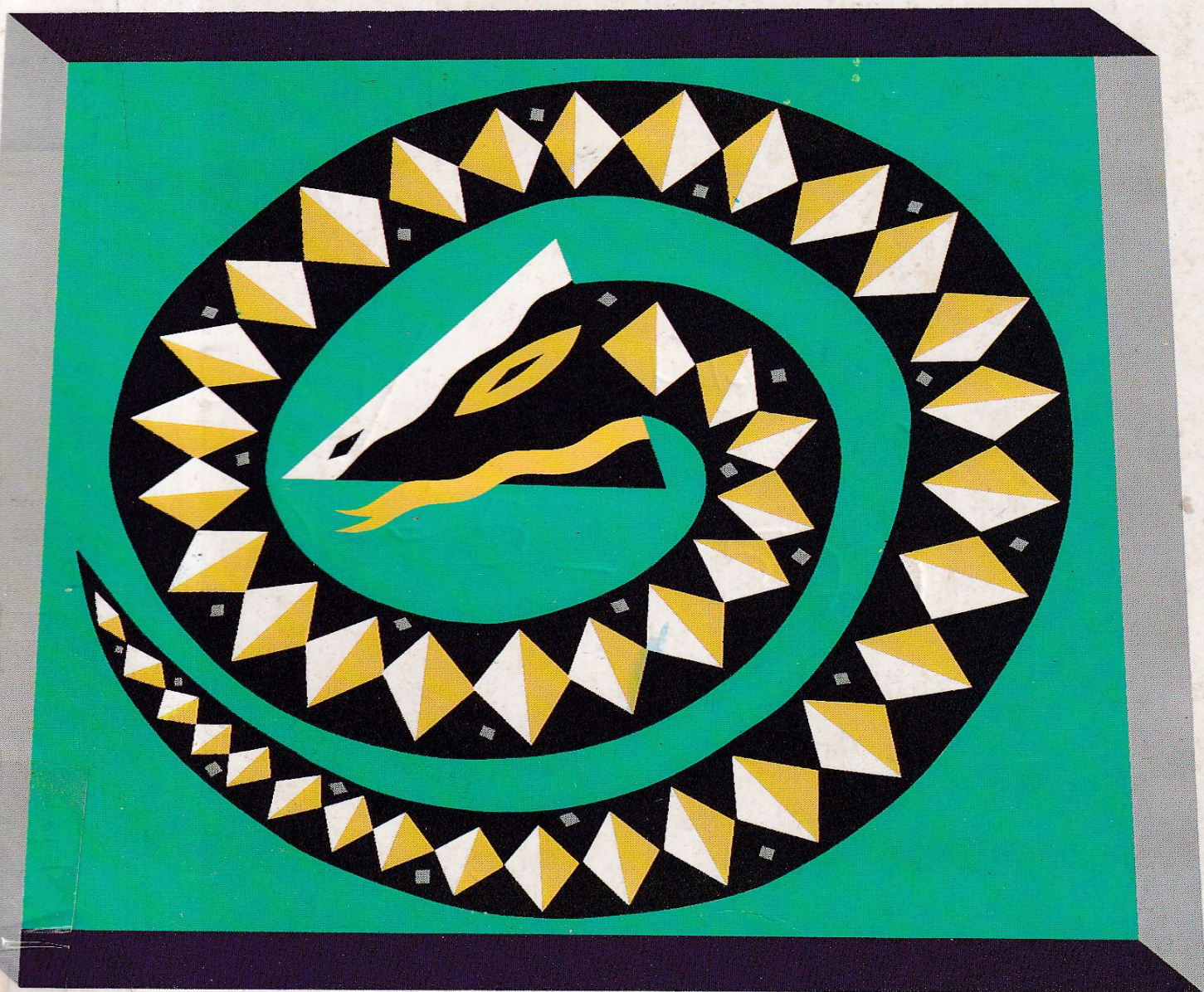


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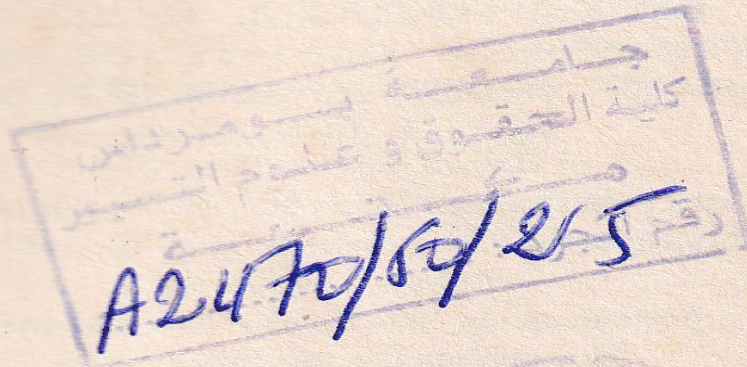
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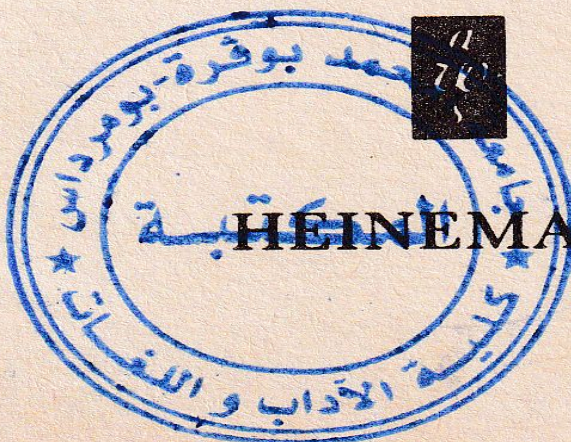


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CHINUA ACHEBE was born in 1930 in the village of Ogidi in Eastern Nigeria. After studying medicine and literature at the University of Ibadan, he went to work for the Nigerian Broadcasting company in Lagos. *Things Fall Apart*, his first novel, was published in 1958. It has sold over eight million copies, and has been translated into at least 45 languages. It was followed by *No Longer at Ease*, then *Arrow of God* (which won the first New Statesman Jock Campbell Prize), then *A Man of the People* (a novel dealing with post-independence Nigeria). *Anthills of the Savannah* was short-listed for the Booker McConnell Prize in 1987.

Achebe has also written short stories and children's books, and *Beware Soul Brother*, a book of his poetry, won the Commonwealth Poetry Prize in 1972.

Achebe has been at the Universities of Nigeria, Massachusetts and Connecticut, and among the many honours he has received are the award of a Fellowship of the Modern Language Association of America, and doctorates from the Universities of Stirling, Southampton and Kent. He has recently followed Heinrich Böll, the Nobel prizewinner, as the second recipient of the Scottish Art's Council Neil Gunn Fellowship. In 1987, he was recognised in Nigeria with the Nigerian National Merit Award – the country's highest award for intellectual achievement.

Chinua Achebe lives in the USA, teaching at Bard College. He is married and has four children.

