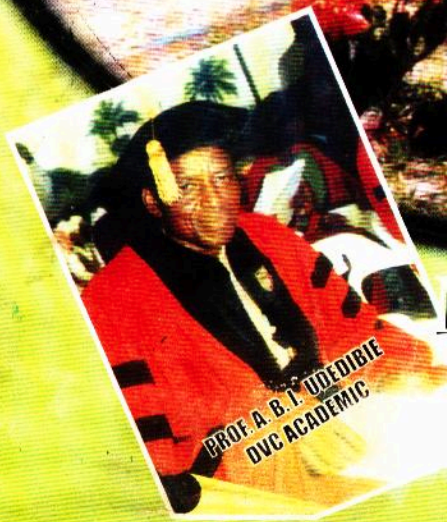
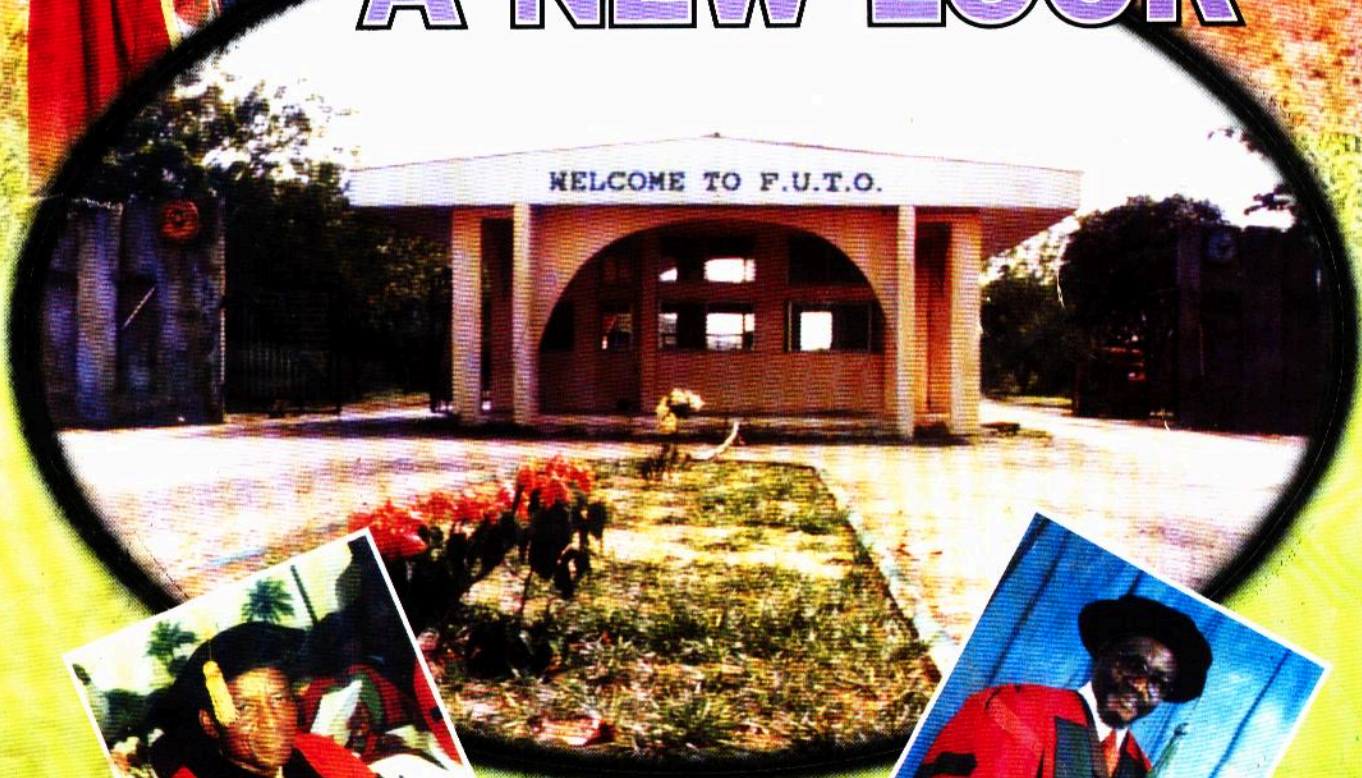


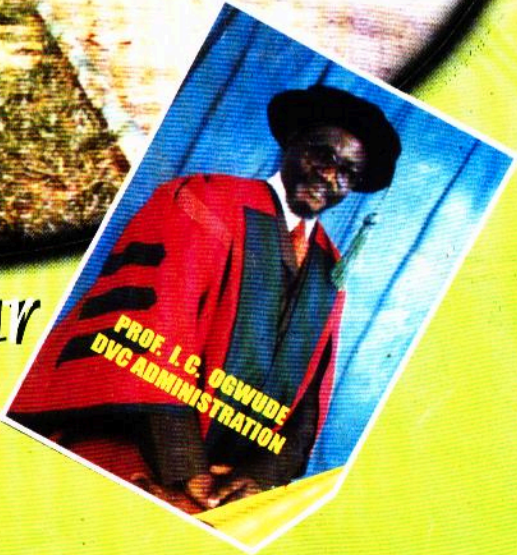
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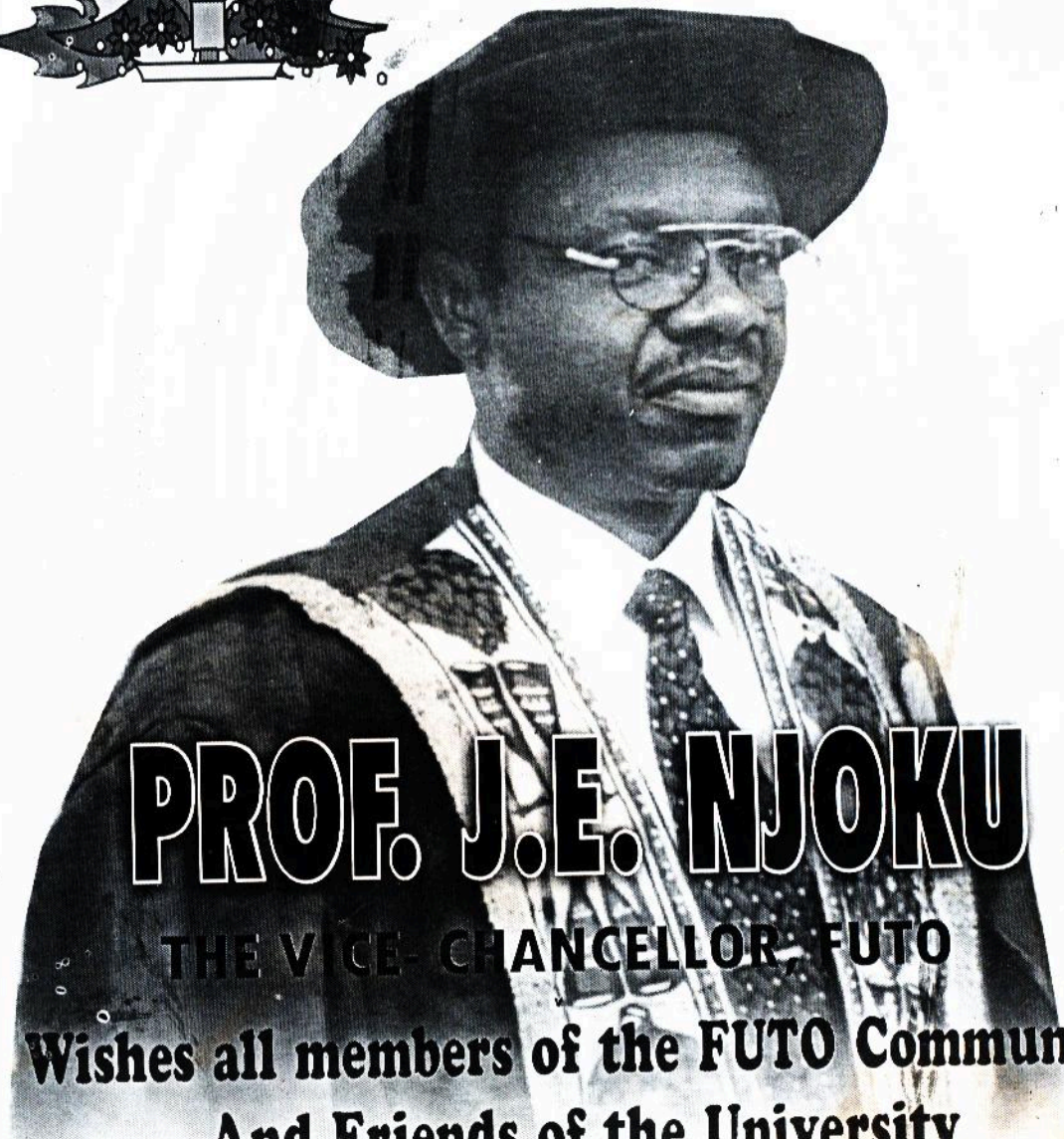


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THE VICE-CHANCELLOR, FUTO

**Wishes all members of the FUTO Community
And Friends of the University
a Merry Xmas & Prosperous New Year.**

Editorial

FUTO WEARS A NEW LOOK

In the last edition of FUTO News (vol. 21 no. 2 of August 2001) we quoted the Vice-Chancellor as saying that the Governing Council had considered plans to commence the landscaping of some sections of the Campus and that this would be done in phases.

We are happy to note that the landscaping project has begun in earnest and that the Federal University of Technology, Owerri is now wearing a new look. Starting from the main gate, it is easily noticeable that one is approaching a serene and decent community, a citadel of learning. The main approach is being decorated with beautiful flowers, well laid out lawns and pedestrian walk ways.

At the Senate Building which is nearing completion, the surrounding bushes and hedges have been bulldozed and now the seat of the University has become a beautiful edifice to watch from several points across the Otamiri River.

The J.T. Useni Centre for Transport Management Technology, the extension of which was completed recently, has been transformed into a centre of attraction by its beautiful surroundings.

Similarly, the bushes around the School of Engineering and Engineering Technology (SEET) building and the Library block have disappeared. One can easily sight the students' hostels, the library, SAAT building and the Medical Centre from the ground floor of SEET building.

Again, the bushes along the major roads have been pushed some metres backwards to provide a clearer view for both motorists and pedestrians.

Furthermore, the litters of human excrement around the students' hostels have disappeared, a clear manifestation of better sanitary condition in the hostels and toilets.

Now, a visitor to FUTO will easily notice the determination of the new administration to make the campus more eye friendly.

A saying goes that "Cleanliness is next to Godliness." Again, a healthy body makes a healthy mind and a healthy mind produces greater intellect.

In view of the above, FUTO News calls the support of members of the FUTO Community to sustain the effort of the administration by always keeping their surroundings clean.

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FEEDBACK

Sequel to the one year anniversary of Prof. J.E. Njoku as Vice-Chancellor, FUTO News sought the people's opinion on the journey so far. The people responded through their leaders. In this edition we bring you the comments of the leaders of various unions on campus:

COMARDE J.C. AYOKA, *OUTGOING SUG PRESIDENT*

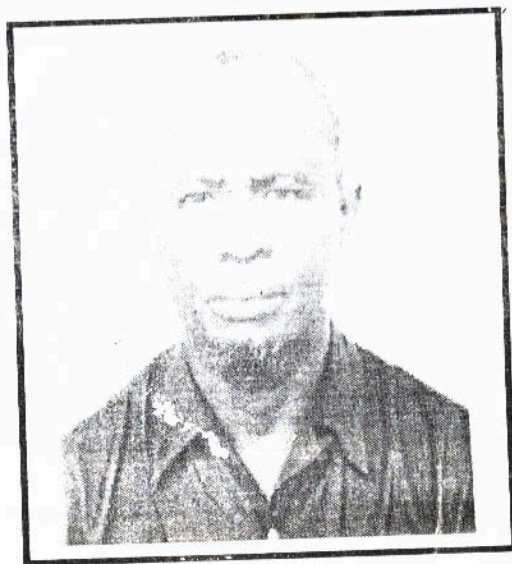
FUTO is generally backward in infrastructure. Within the past one year however, the rate of development has been quite impressive with the completion of projects like the Lecture Theatre and Useni Building. Students are also happy for the erection of a sporting complex, but we would like an access road to be provided to link the hostels to the complex.

The landscaping is refreshing as it gives our University the desired look and makes the environment more friendly. Students will be happy if the landscaping is extended to the hostel areas.

There is also great improvement in the provision of seats for lecture halls, electricity and water supply as well as better hostel sanitation. Other areas of improvement are the provision of drugs at the health centre, the extension of operating hours at the Library to 8.00pm as against 4.00pm.

Victimization of students has also stopped and the Students' Union now has greater freedom. However, the students want more independence and a clear distinction between the Students' Union and the Student Affairs unit so that they will be freer in organizing their own affairs.

The transportation system should be made to incorporate students by providing shuttle services from the school to the neighbouring villages where a good number of students live.



DR. E.N. EJIKE,
ASUU CHAIRMAN

There has been remarkable increase in physical infrastructure in the last one year both in terms of completion of on-going projects and new ones. We are quite impressed that students no longer use the road in front of their hostels as toilet, which shows that their hostel condition has been improved.

The provision of sporting facilities is a welcome development. We are also happy that the SOSC Building is being rehabilitated. But we are worried about whether the resurfaced FUTO-Ihiagwa road met its specifications.

In all, quite a lot has been achieved in one year, but as academics we would like to take these developments as a start. ASUU is looking forward to the take off of new projects such as the SLTTP and new SAAT buildings. We also want another academic staff office block like we used to have at the temporary site. We hope that Government will increase the level of capital funds, because Government needs to invest a quantum of funding before it can expect universities to be self-sustaining to a certain level.

We are happy about recent acquisitions in the Library, but we look forward to an electronic journal service. There is also need to refurbish instruments in the laboratories.

We are particularly happy that this administration has laid down criteria for appointment of Heads of Departments. It is a master piece. This will make people feel the enormous responsibilities attached to Headship of Departments.

Promotions have also come along as and at when due and this administration has cleared the Augean stable. The Vice-Chancellor should release more professorial chairs.

More people have gone on conferences and this is a remarkable development because it encourages publications. We are also grateful to the Vice-Chancellor for clearing the arrears of excess workload allowance. We look forward to prompt payment of excess workload allowance from now on and more training on computer literacy.

MR. GAB A.C. EMEJEMARA, SSANU CHAIRMAN

Landscaping is a welcome development and the new projects are worthwhile. With the extension of the J.T. Useni building, location of SMAT becomes easy and not scattered.

The Senate Building is being pursued with vigour. It has a lot of advantages including security. The construction of five courts is a landmark in the history of FUTO. The number of students that come to these courts at the evenings is

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NEW PROJECTS TAKEN OVER

FUTO'S scanty infrastructure on Tuesday, August 21, 2001 received a boost with the taking over of the Extension of J.T. Useni Centre for Transport Management Technology, and the re-surfaced FUTO Internal Road by the University Management led by the Vice-

sets and pews. He observed that if the defunct Petroleum (Special) Trust Fund (PTF) had operated likewise, more infrastructure and learning facilities could have been provided in our tertiary institutions.

The aesthetics of the J.T.

would always be available to serve FUTO.

Chief Akakem announced his intention to package something for FUTO as a token of his interest in the development of sports.

While inspecting with FUTO Management staff the almost 3 Kilometers of FUTO internal road from Gate I to Gate II – resurfaced by Obenard (Nig) Ltd, the Vice-Chancellor said that the very bad state of the road made its repair inevitable, and the university had to dip hands into internally generated revenue to execute the project.

Prof. Njoku said that the road required constant maintenance for the work done to stand the test of time. He disclosed that Management might consider a recourse to the defunct Public Works Department's (PWD) method of deploying road workers on the road on regular basis to ensure proper maintenance.

Finally, the Vice-Chancellor thanked the contractor, Mr. J.N. Ogu, "for a good job" which was in line with Council's observation when they inspected the repairs few months ago. He noted that it was the first to be realized among the projects awarded within the same period.

The project contractor thanked the Council and FUTO management for giving him the opportunity to perform, pledging that he is always disposed to serve FUTO in the construction sector.

The hand-over ceremonies were well attended by Deputy Vice-Chancellors, other Principal Officers and Deans of Schools.

Report by Uche Osondu



Chief Lemmy Akakem (Left) hands over the key of the J.T. Useni Extension block to VC Prof. J.E. Njoku (Right)

Chancellor, Prof. J.E. Njoku.

Speaking at the handover ceremony of the Useni Building, Prof. Njoku said that the main Useni Block is an endowment to FUTO as a Centre for Transport Management by J.T. Useni Committee of Friends during the 1996 Convocation.

He explained that the extension became indispensable not only because the main Useni block was a mockery of what was originally conceived but also because it would reduce the office accommodation / lecture hall needs of the School of Management Technology (SMAT).

The Chief Executive paid special tribute to the Education Tax fund (ETF) which made available to FUTO during the 2000 fiscal year N20 million which realized the project as well as some computer

Useni Building received the attention of the Vice-Chancellor as he promised to undertake the landscaping and planting of ornamentals as well as creating a link path to the 500 capacity lecture theatre commissioned recently by this administration.

Earlier, the Ag. Director of the Physical Planning and Development Unit of FUTO, Engr. Dr. H.L. Agha expressed happiness that the new block comprising 5 offices, 2 large classrooms and 4 toilets were realized on schedule.

Formally handing over the keys of the Useni Building to the Vice-Chancellor "to the glory of God", the Project Contractor, Chief Lemmy Akakem thanked 'the FUTO Management for the opportunity given him to showcase his construction acumen in FUTO for the first time, adding that he

SPORTS FACILITIES

In a similar vein, two newly completed sports facilities (a twin lawn tennis and a volley ball courts) were on Tuesday September 11, 2001 taken over by the Management of the Federal University of Technology, Owerri led by the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. J.E. Njoku.

Speaking at the occasion, the Vice-Chancellor noted that the projects were embarked upon in December 2000 to meet the recreational needs of students and staff and to have some facilities in place for the hosting of the NUGA zone D preliminaries early in the year 2001. He indicated that the projects which were financed through internally generated revenue, were expected to be completed in April 2001 but were delayed by problems associated with the site and early coming of the rains.

Prof. Njoku expressed his delight that FUTO students now have additional recreational facilities to ease off academic tension and keep them off from anti-social behaviours such as cultism. He announced that his administration would in due course provide more sports facilities to boost sports in FUTO because "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy".

In the meantime he hopes to turn the sports complex into a beehive of activities by opening up an access road from the students hostels to the arena, landscape and beautify the surrounding and deploy security men to guard the facilities.

In his own remarks earlier, the Director of K-Mart Construction, Chief Brown Mbila thanked the Governing Council and the Management of FUTO for giving them the opportunity to showcase their expertise. He highlighted the problems which resulted in the delay of the take-off and completion of the project such as difficulty in locating the site, early rains as well as scarcity of the appropriate paint for painting the surface of the courts.

He advised that adequate security be provided around the sports arena to keep off herdsmen whose cattle sleep on the surface of the courts and drop dung indiscriminately. The take over of the sports facilities was witnessed by a number of University functionaries among whom were Engr. Dr. H.I. Agha, Director of Physical Planning and Development; Prof. O.E. Okorator, Director of Academic Planning and Development; Dr. D.N. Oguoma, Ag. Dean of Student Affairs; Mr. D.O. N. Nwokeocha, Chief Accountant; Mr. J. E. Nwogu, Deputy University Librarian and Mr. J.U. Nnabuihe, Public Relations Officer.

*Report by John Nnabuihe
and Uche Osundu*

PROF. NJOKU TAKES STOCK OF HIS ONE YEAR AS VC

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. J.E. Njoku declared peace as the bedrock of his developmental agenda in FUTO. "I do believe that peace is supreme and . . . therefore no sacrifice is too great in order to achieve peace." The Vice-Chancellor made this known in his address to the 10th General Assembly held on August 7, 2001 to mark the first anniversary of his administration.

According to him, "now is a proper time to re-appraise policies and programmes of his administration and to re-chart the future direction of the University."



Prof. Njoku - VC FUTO

Enveloping a wonderful example of accountability, the Vice-Chancellor sustained the interest of staff all through 29 pages of gratifying achievements and aspirations.

He communicated his passionate desire to transform FUTO into a modern and magnificent university. Academic development with its direct linkage to infrastructure has been a major focus of the Njoku administration. The Vice-Chancellor took pride in the recent rating by the NUC which placed FUTO in the 5th position of all 36 universities in the country. Priority he said, had been given to the provision of adequate offices, classroom, laboratory and workshop spaces.

This was to create a conducive environment for effective

teaching and learning. He acknowledged the inherent potential of enhancing teaching and research as well as FUTO's international image and exposure through its current academic linkages with CUTEC of Germany and the University of Arkansas in the United States of America.

Indeed a novel idea to stimulate academic excellence was announced by the Vice-Chancellor. That stemmed from the Federal Government's approval for the construction of a 'scholarship' hostel in FUTO for students with CGPA of 3.5 and above. Also made known was the proposal by the Education Tax Fund to finance a building for SAAT as part of its 2001 grant. Similarly, he expressed his sincere thanks to FUTO Alumni Association for its pledge to build a Post Graduate Hall for the University.

The Vice-Chancellor received a thunderous ovation as he rounded off his address to the Assembly. He then took time to respond to questions from members of staff.

On the issue of sabbatical leave for non-teaching staff, he promised to be guided by the Regulations of the University. In response to the quest for a University Secondary School he intimated the Assembly of contacts so far made to establish a secondary school that would meet international standards, and hoped that the matter would be addressed in the next meeting of the Congregation. In his vote of thanks, Prof. O.E. Okorator congratulated the Vice-Chancellor on his one year achievements and remarked that the assembly provided a relaxing atmosphere for everyone. He recognized Prof. Njoku as a focused and people-oriented man with a vision and called on staff to complement the Vice-Chancellor's efforts as a way of encouragement.

The gleeful assembly had in attendance the entire University Community including Principals, Officers, Deans, Directors and Heads of Departments/Units.

Report by Adaeze Okany

NUC DELEGATE COMMENDS FUTO

Dr. (Mrs.) M.B. Adeniran, a representative of the National Universities Commission (NUC), recently on a routine visit was greatly pleased with the evident progress achieved in FUTO.

She noted that FUTO had the greatest student enrolment amongst the Federal Universities of Technology and had witnessed remarkable growth in its undergraduate programmes.

However, she pointed out that the Post Graduate School needed to be reinvigorated since it was the epicenter of academic development in the university, for through it, knowledge and teaching skills are developed and strengthened. She stated that her mission was to ascertain a status report of the problems that affect the academic system as it relates to FUTO and to evaluate problem solving methods "all geared towards improving the quality of our products."

In his response, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. J.E. Njoku welcomed Dr. (Mrs.) Adeniran and noted that her visit was the first to FUTO since he became the 4th substantive Vice-Chancellor.

Prof. Njoku drew the attention of Dr. (Mrs.) Adeniran to the deleting of names of students of FUTO's Department of Project Management Technology (PMT) by the ITF. He described PMT as an amalgamation of Engineering and Management, for which basic entry requirements included credits in Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry. He regretted that it had proved difficult convincing the NUC

on the engineering inclination of the Project Management programme in FUTO and need for inclusion of PMT students for industrial training.

massive release of funds to the University would be actualized, for it would in turn lead to rapid development in FUTO. The Vice-Chancellor also revealed



Dr. Mrs. M.B. Adeniran of NUC Signs the visitor's book

The Vice-Chancellor reminded the NUC representative of the proposal already submitted to the NUC for a new School of Health Sciences and sought the benefit of their assessment. He also reiterated his intention to expand some programmes with submission already made to Senate. Inadequacy of classroom and office spaces primarily due to excruciating financial difficulties, has continued to pose a major problem in FUTO, the Vice-Chancellor remarked adding that only N32 million out of N100 million approved for 2001 had been released so far.

He hoped that the promised

that the Council is being expected in the meeting billed for October 2001, to give approval for the construction of hostels by the Tunji Coker Foundation on a 'build, operate and transfer' basis.

On hand to receive her were the DVC (Academic), Prof. A.B.I. Udedibie; the DVC (Administration), Prof. I.C. Ogwude; the Bursar, Mrs. Chinedum C. Ahiarakwe and the Director, Academic Planning and Development, Prof. O.E. Okorafor.

Report by Adaeze Okany

FUTO DELEGATION PAYS HOMAGE TO NEW CHANCELLOR

A high level FUTO delegation comprising members of the Governing Council and the Management on August 18, 2001 paid a courtesy call on the newly appointed Chancellor of the University, His Royal Majesty, Dr. Shekarau Angyu Masa Ibi, the Aku Uka of Wukari in his palace.

The 12 - man delegation which was led by the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. J.E Njoku arrived Wukari on the evening of Friday, August 17, 2001 and was given a rousing welcome by the

The Vice-Chancellor informed the Chancellor that the delegation was in Wukari to pay homage to him and to congratulate him on his appointment as the 3rd Chancellor of FUTO. Prof. Njoku noted that the FUTO community was delighted at the appointment of a very experienced and highly respected traditional ruler as the new Chancellor and hoped that he would bring his wide experience and exposure to bear on the development of the University. The Vice-Chancellor thanked the Aku Uka and the people of Wukari for the warm

The Vice-Chancellor and his entourage also took time off to visit the permanent site of the Taraba State Centre of the FUTO Extension Service where the Vice-Chancellor commissioned a new classroom block.

Speaking at the commissioning, the Vice-Chancellor noted that the Taraba State Centre has put in place solid infrastructure to enable it meet the requirements for approval based on the guidelines issued by the National Universities Commission. Earlier in his welcome address, the Centre Coordinator Rev. Prof. S.G. Uchella declared that the Taraba State Centre of FUTO Extension Services was determined to provide the necessary infrastructural facilities to meet the minimum requirements of university education. He noted that the first classroom block was commissioned in June 2001, the second block was ready for commissioning while the third block was expected to be ready by December 2001. He further explained that the first phase of development would have 15 buildings which include lecture halls, library, computer laboratory, hostels, engineering workshops, administrative blocks as well as a large auditorium.

On the FUTO delegation were the two Deputy Vice-Chancellors; other Principals; Officers; one external and four internal members of Council; the Director, FUTO Extension Services and the Public Relations Officer.



New FUTO Chancellor, HRM Dr. Shekarau Angyu Masa Ibi, CON, the Aku Uka of Wukari (right) in a discussion with the VC Prof. J.E. Njoku during a reception held in honour of the VC and his entourage.

people of Wukari who waited in their large numbers at the boundary between Taraba and Benue States, about 20 Kilometres from Wukari. The visitors were led into the town in a motorecade and were taken to Hospitality Hotel where they were treated to a Dinner attended by prominent citizens of Wukari including a former Deputy Governor of Taraba State.

On Saturday, August 18, 2001 the Vice-Chancellor and his entourage were received by the Chancellor of FUTO, His Royal Majesty Dr. Shekarau Angyu Masa-Ibi CON, the Aku Uka of Wukari.

reception accorded the FUTO delegation and apologised on behalf of the Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of Council, Dr T.C. Osanakpo, SAN who could not make the trip because of other national duties.

In his response, the Chancellor expressed his gratitude to the Council and Management of FUTO for the visit. The Royal Father stated that he was proud to be associated with FUTO in view of the high esteem in which the University is held in the country and promised to convey the needs of FUTO to the Federal Government. The Chancellor then exchanged gifts with the Vice-Chancellor and his entourage.

Report by John Nnabuihe

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, PRO-CHANCELLOR

On October 1, 2001 anniversary of his birth, the Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of the Governing Council of FUTO, Dr. T. C. Osanakpo, SAN, was a picture of a man who had found peace and happiness in life.

Dr. Osanakpo welcomed the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. J.E. Njoku and his entourage with enthusiasm and warmth. Their visit he said, was a significant show of love and care for his person.

He defined his aspirations

protection on the University and wished his guests divine journey mercies.

Earlier on, the Vice-Chancellor had said that the visit was inspired by the desire to felicitate with the Pro-Chancellor on the joyous occasion of his birthday.

He expressed pleasure at the tremendous positive influence and lasting impressions made by Dr. Osanakpo in the life of the university and sought God's special grace and blessing on him. He hoped that the goodwill and friendship that exist between FUTO and its Pro-Chancellor would continue to be strengthened.

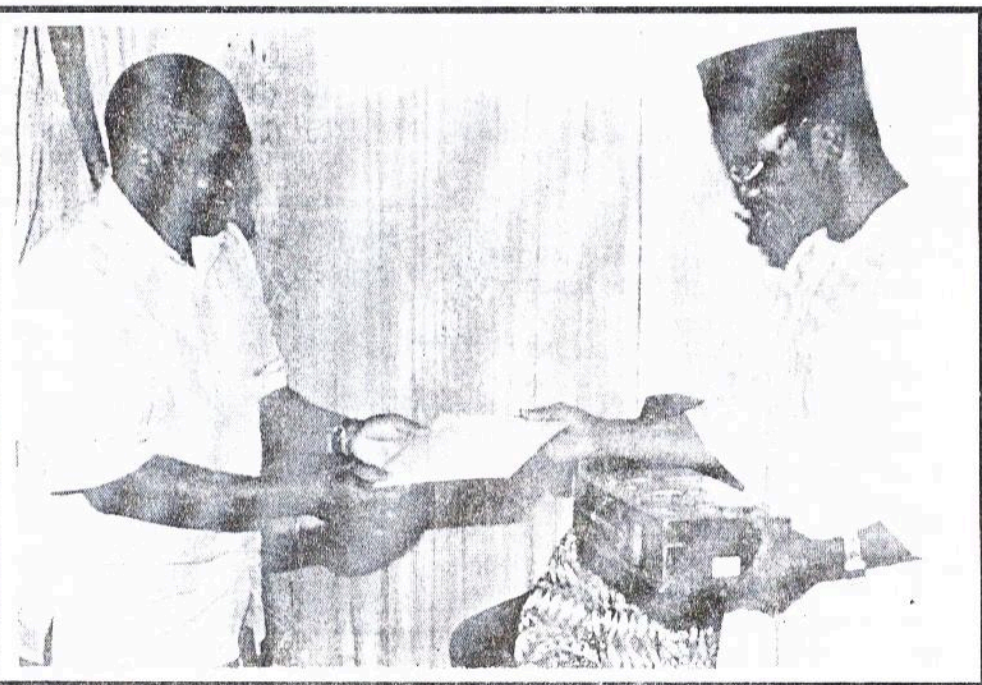
The Vice-Chancellor was joined in the visit by his two Deputies and other Principal Officers of the University. Other guests were the National President of FUTO Alumni, Mr. Victor Ijeh and the Chairman, Rivers State Chapter of FUTO Alumni, Mr. Uche Ejiogu.

On behalf of the University, the Vice-Chancellor presented gifts to the celebrant, who in turn sumptuously entertained his guests.

Report by Adaeze Okany

to elevate the University and affirmed his vision for FUTO's infrastructural development and the facilitation of international exchange programmes as the cornerstone of his tenure as the Chairman of the 7th Governing Council of FUTO.

The Pro-Chancellor asked for "all hands to be on deck" and encouraged staff to add value to their jobs. He prayed for God's



Happy Birthday to you Mr. Pro-Chancellor so says the VC Prof. J.E. Njoku to Dr. T.C. Osanakpo, SAN

Surrounded by love from his family, Dr. Osanakpo cut a green coloured birthday cake, beautifully crafted.

He remarked that his birthday represented a day for sober reflections. He said it was also a time for immense appreciation of the small things of life and an opportunity to give glory to God for his infinite mercies.

MEET FUTO 4TH DEPUTY VICE- CHANCELLORS

In our last edition of Futo News, we highlighted the appointment of the fourth set of Deputy Vice-Chancellors of the Federal University of Technology, Owerri (FUTO). We now bring to you their detailed personality profiles.

PROFESSOR ADIVE BONIFACE IKELI UDEDIBIE (DVC ACADEMIC)

Professor Adiva Boniface Ikeli Udedibie was born on August 12, 1950 at Aguleri in Anambra East Local Government of Anambra State.



He had his primary education at St. Francis Primary School and St. Joseph's Primary School all in Aguleri, where he obtained the First School Leaving Certificate in 1960. He obtained the West African School Certificate in 1971 in Division I from St. Mary's High School Ifite-Ukpa. Subsequently, he gained admission into the esteemed University of Nigeria, Nsukka where he obtained a B.Sc degree in Agriculture with Second Class Honours, Upper Division in 1975. He later proceeded to the renowned Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, USA for his Post graduate studies from 1978 - 1982 and subsequently acquired M.Sc and Ph.D degrees in Animal Science. From 1976 - 1978, he worked as Research Officer II at the National Veterinary Research Institute, Vom and in 1982 he was elevated to the rank of Senior Research Officer. During this period, he was responsible for the management of the swine and dairy farms of the Institute as well as teaching the Higher

National Diploma students of the College of Animal Health and Husbandry of the Institute. He took up appointment with the Federal University of Technology, Owerri in August 1984 as Lecturer I and rose to the rank of Professor in October, 1995.

In addition to his teaching services, he has been involved in the University Administration. He has served as Chairman and member of several School and University Committees from 1985 till date. He was Head of Department of Animal Science and Technology from 1989 to 1998; Dean, School of Agriculture and Agricultural Technology from 1998 to July 2001 and Chairman, Committee of Deans from January to July 2001.

Prof. Udedibie is a member of many learned societies among which are: Nigeria Society for Animal Production, Science Association of Nigeria, World Poultry Science Association and New York Academy of Science.

He has executed a good number of local and international research projects, prominent among which was a research on the use of Jackbean and Swordbean for livestock feeding which was sponsored by the International Foundation for Science (IFS), Stockholm, Sweden.

Prof. Udedibie has over 50 journal articles as well as over 45 technical/conference papers to his credit.

He is fellow of the Nigerian Society for Animal Production and has appeared in the 2000 edition of 'Marquis Who is Who in the world.'

Prof. Udedibie is actively involved in several community based activities within and outside his home town.

He is happily married to Mrs. Uju J. Udedibie, a Senior Assistant Registrar in the Registry Department, FUTO and the marriage is blessed with four children (all boys).

PROFESSOR INNOCENT CHUKA OGWUDE (DVC ADMINISTRATION)

Professor Innocent Chuka Ogwude hails from Ogwashi-Uku in Delta State.

He received his University education at the University of Ibadan, where he obtained a B.Sc. degree in



Economics in 1974. In 1978, he acquired an M.Sc in Transport Engineering and the Diploma of Imperial College (DIC) in Civil Engineering from the Imperial College of Science and Technology, University of London. He later earned a Ph.D in Transport Economics in 1986 from the University of Ibadan.

Prof. Ogwude has over twenty five years of teaching and research experience which started in 1974 at Kano State Insurance Company where he worked as a Statistician, during his one year National Youth Service Corp period. From 1975 - 1976, he worked as a Research Assistant in the Nigerian Institute of Social and Economic Research at the University of Ibadan. From 1977 - 1989, he worked as a Senior Research Fellow in Transport Economics

at the Ahmadu Bello University (ABU) Zaria.

His engagement with the Federal University of Technology, Owerri started in 1989 when he was appointed as a Senior Lecturer and Acting HOD Transport, and in 1991 rose to Associate Professor of Transport Management Technology. He was elevated to the rank of full Professor in 1995. From 1996 to 1998, he served as a Visiting Professor and Director of Research in the Nigerian Institute of Transport Technology, Zaria.

Apart from his normal academic work, Prof. Ogwude is a member of various professional bodies including Corporate membership of the Chartered Institute of Transport Association of Maritime Economics.

Prof. Ogwude is credited with over forty three (43) publications and research works and over thirty-two (32) paper presentations at conferences and workshops. He also acts as a Transport Management Consultant to individuals, corporate bodies, Government parastatals and agencies.

His public and community services cover quite a number of areas which among them are; Chairman, National Universities Commission (NUC) Panel on Minimum Academic Standards on Transport Management Technology from 1995 – 1998 and External Examiner on Postgraduate Programmes in Transport Studies in the Ogun State University and in Ahmadu Bello University (ABU) Zaria from 1997 - 2000.

As a renowned Transport Research Pioneer in Nigeria, Prof. Ogwude nurtured to maturity a Department of Transport Management Technology and also initiated Postgraduate Degree Programmes in the School of Management Technology in the Federal University of Technology, Owerri.

Until his appointment as the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration), he was the Dean of the School of Management Technology (SMAT).

He is a devout Christian and a life member of the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International. He is married to Dr. (Mrs) Sophia O. Ogwude, a Senior Lecturer at the General Studies Unit, FUTO and is blessed with two lovely children.

Compiled by Blessing Ekemezie

FUTO DESERVES SPECIAL TREATMENT - VC

The Federal University of Technology, Owerri (FUTO) deserves special treatment in the allocation of capital fund for the development of infrastructure. Prof. Jude Njoku, the Vice-Chancellor of the University made this assertion while meeting with the NUC Task Force on the closure of satellite campuses led by Prof. Placid Njoku.

The Vice-Chancellor recalled that FUTO lost its temporary site to Imo State University without any special grant from the Federal Government for its hurried relocation to the permanent site. For this reason, he said, FUTO has remained the most infrastructurally underdeveloped Federal University in the country.

He therefore advised the NUC to properly address the issues that led to the establishment of satellite campuses.

The Vice-Chancellor then used the opportunity to brief the NUC team on the steps taken by his administration in compliance with the directive on closure of satellite campuses, adding that the Senate of the University was still discussing appropriate measures to ameliorate the hardship faced by students already enrolled in its closed down centres.

Speaking earlier, the Chairman of the Task Force, Prof. Placid Njoku indicated that the team was in FUTO to ascertain the University's compliance with the Government directive on the closure of satellite campus adding that Satellite Campuses had become controversial due to the proliferation of such campuses in the country and the subsequent

churning out of sub-standard graduates who could not defend the certificates awarded to them. He contended that the universities contravened the law establishing them by leaving their location and embarking on new programmes outside their mandate and entering into arrangement with businessmen to commercialize university degrees and certificates. Consequently, Government was left with no option than to close down such centres which according to him were mostly located in "obscure corner-shops".

He indicated that Government was working out a number of alternatives to satellite campuses such as distant learning, weekend/evening programmes and sandwich/residency programmes.

Prof. Njoku advised universities to be more innovative in their quest for alternative sources of revenue.

The Task Force Chairman promised to convey the feelings of FUTO on special grant for infrastructural development to the Executive Secretary of NUC.

Other members of the NUC delegation were Dr. I. Abdullahi, Mr. M. Ndanusa and Mr. Victor Onuoha.

Also present at the meeting were Deputy Vice-Chancellors, Principal Officers, Deans, Directors and Heads of Departments.

Report by Blessing Ekemezie

CLOSE DOWN YOUR STUDY CENTRES- VC WARNS CO-ORDINATORS

The Vice-Chancellor of Federal University of Technology, Owerri Prof. J.E. Njoku had an urgent meeting with all the Co-ordinators of FUTO Satellite Campuses in the country on September 12, 2001. Addressing the Co-ordinators, the Vice-Chancellor directed them to immediately comply with the directives of the National Universities Commission to close all the study centres by removing their sign boards and sending the students on holidays with immediate effect, while the University looks into ways of ameliorating the hardship on students already enrolled in the programmes.

The Vice-Chancellor read our NUC's letter to that effect and warned that whoever runs any study centre in the name of FUTO will be arrested by the Police. He told the Co-ordinators that the University Senate which handles all academic matters is currently putting heads together towards coming out with alternative arrangements.

One of the Co-ordinators asked if the University could integrate the study centre students into FUTO and sought advice on how best to handle students' reaction. In his reply, the Vice-Chancellor said "the university is alive to their plight but they should first comply". On being sent a remittance into FUTO account, the Vice-Chancellor said records available proved that the study centres were deeply indebted to FUTO. Prof. Njoku assured the Co-ordinators that FUTO will soon come out with a centralized admission policy which will protect the interest and welfare of the students.

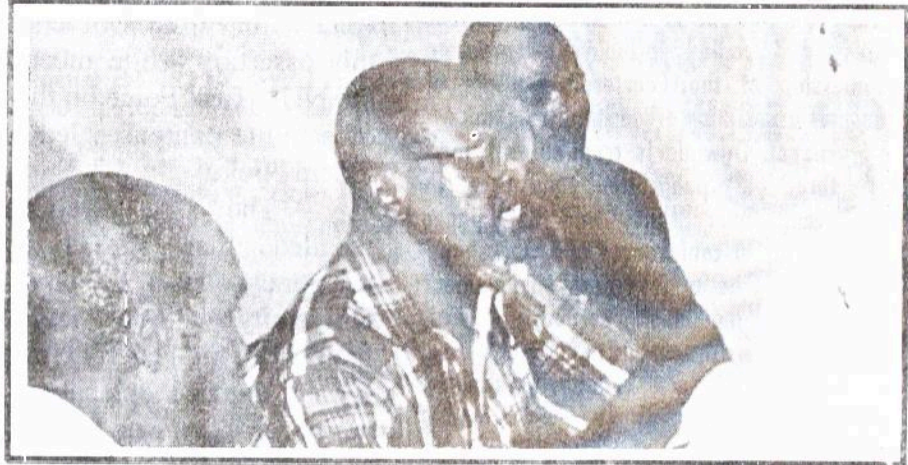
The Registrar was mandated to issue a communiqué to all the affected students through the centre co-ordinators, explaining the position of things and efforts being made by the University to address problems arising from the closure of the satellite campuses.

Report by Dennis Chiedo

THUMBS - UP FOR COMPUTER CENTRE

An extraordinary feat was achieved recently with the FUTO-based networking of the first two, and subsequently other computers in the advanced laboratory of the FUTO Computer Centre.

freely and willingly except a monumental cost, it therefore became necessary to do research and studies, even in existing technologies like Networking. Prof. Achi stated that Networking



Prof. P.B.U. Achi, Director of Computer Centre Flanked by his staff Messrs. Ihedioha and Iwuoha

This major breakthrough was pioneered without external assistance, by the Director, Computer Centre, Prof. P.B.U. Achi with the assistance of Mr. H.N. Iwuoha, a Principal Technologist, and Mr. C.A. Ihedioha, an Assistant Chief Analyst and Programmer.

This was made known by Prof. Achi while conducting the FUTO News crew round the facilities in the Computer Centre recently. He stated that this achievement was a direct dividend of the Research grant given to him and his team. He explained that he had been working on the project for over a year and commended all his staff who worked painstakingly.

Undaunted by obstacles, but holding fast to the promise of Networking, which provided the enthusiasm any scientist could ask for, Prof. Achi remarked that "you can never be sure of what you can do until you try", adding that the exploit will project the image and glory of the Federal University of Technology, Owerri.

He declared that since technology is not usually divulged

is simply the flexible transfer of information and data from one computer work station to another - an interface of software, hardware and the user provided the multimedia are present. The multimedia consist of the audio, video and the whiteboard and chat facilities and 'windows'.

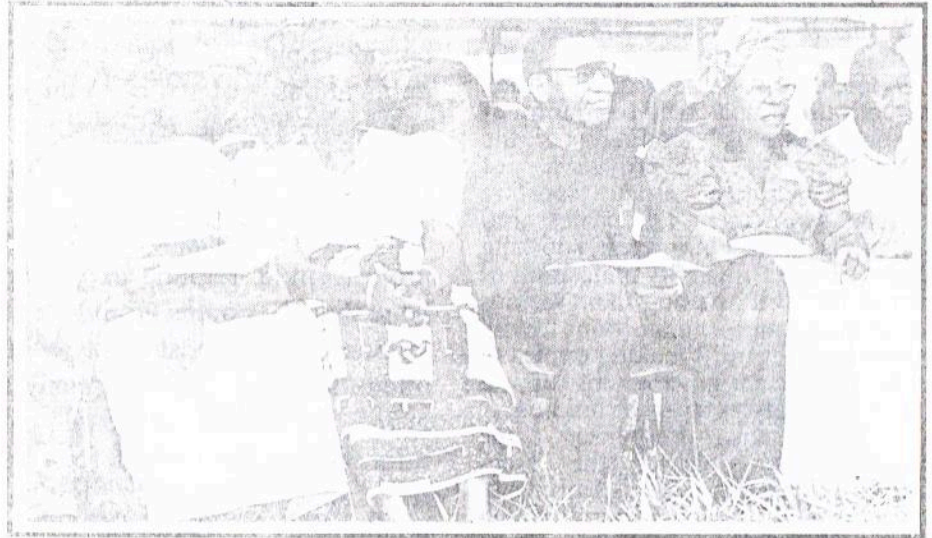
The benefits of networking computers irrespective of location are numerous and include internal e-mail - the ability to transmit information (files) and data to and from many work stations, ability to hold video conference meetings and remote controlled classroom presentations; automation of information and network meetings and internet automation. Without Networking, internet availability is limited.

In the Computer Centre, "we continually generate money for the University and are also struggling to build a computer maintenance crew and to commercialize the use of our colour printer, scanner and other services."

PARENTS/GUARDIANS, MANAGEMENT FORUM INAUGURATED

In keeping with the unanimous decision at the 9th pre-matriculation meeting between the University Management and

highlighted other pointers to the poor infrastructural state of the university as the lack of an Administrative Block, inadequate



A cross section of parents at the meeting with FUTO Management

Parents/Guardians of FUTO students, the Parents/Guardians, Management forum was formally inaugurated on Saturday, August 11, 2001.

While addressing the occasion, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. J.E. Njoku stated that the purpose of the forum was to get Parents/Guardians as co-partners with the University Management to fashion out appropriate solutions to the problems of the University. He said it was his belief that the implementation of mutually agreed solutions would be better welcomed by students and thus minimize crisis within the University.

The Vice-Chancellor drew the attention of the parents and guardians to the numerous problems of the University. He revealed the fact that the Federal University of Technology Owerri was the most infrastructurally under-developed Federal university in Nigeria. This he said was evident in the serious dearth of Academic staff offices, classrooms, lecture halls, laboratories, workshops and adequate library building with enough reading spaces. The Vice-Chancellor

Hostel accommodation, paucity of sporting facilities, sub-standard catering facilities, absence of telephone facilities and complete absence of staff quarters which has denied the university the full complement of university community.

He also informed the parents/guardians that there was complete absence of urban water supply to the university, as the university provides its water through boreholes powered by standby generators.

Prof. J.E. Njoku however noted with delight that despite the backwardness in infrastructural development, the Federal University of Technology, Owerri, has maintained academic excellence and its graduates have continued to show remarkable performance in both the public and private sectors of the Nigerian economy.

The Vice-Chancellor hinted the parents and guardians on some of the steps being taken by the University Management towards remedying the university's poor infrastructural state. Prominent among such efforts, he said, was the involvement of the private sector. This he said has yielded some fruit as a private establishment TUNJI COKER

The Director re-affirmed the ability of the centre to meet its objectives of not only providing computer appreciation programmes for students but also ensuring that they are computer literate.

He was particularly elated by the successful conclusion of computer training, CSS 201 for the 2000/2001 Harminam semester in spite of the inadequate ratio of about 25 computers to 3,000 second year students. The major hindrance he said, was the absence of a generator. He requested the Vice-Chancellor to give priority to the urgent provision of a generator to the centre in the light of the epileptic power supply from NEPA. He also lamented the non-release of the balance of the approved Research Grant to provide cables and other materials to facilitate the networking of more computers in the centre. He also requested for prompt repairs of broken down computers and purchases of several new ones aimed at producing computer literate students worth their salt.

Prof. P.R.U. Achi expressed profound gratitude to the Vice-Chancellor for his zeal and moral support during the course organized in February 2001, and yearned continuing encouragement.

In response to a question, he said that "the commercial ventures in the centre yielded revenue commensurate with the availability of materials. The University does not have enough resources to fund networking of all its computers but since the expertise is with us, we can supervise a private enterprise ready to invest in a networked FUTO".

The University Public Relations Officer reassured the Director of the support of the Vice-Chancellor and reminded him that Information Technology was one of the basics of Prof. Njoku's administration.

He suggested that courses on various aspects of Computer Technology be mounted outside the peak periods of students' training to earn income for the University.

FUTONews wishes the Computer Centre the realization of its fullest potential.

Report by Adaeze Okany

FOUNDATION has opted to assist in building 25 hostel blocks of 100 rooms each on the basis of a 40% : 60% cost sharing ratio between it and the university respectively. On the terms of the agreement, he disclosed the FOUNDATION was to recover its financial input over a period of twenty five years through hostel accommodation fees paid by students.

Prof. J.E Njoku then affirmed the University Management's belief that there are various ways and means by which the parents and guardians can contribute significantly to the development of the university. Such contributions he said could be in form of donations towards funding of the university projects, provision of transport facilities and sporting facilities, endowment of professorial chairs in disciplines of interest, sourcing linkages for the University in its areas of expertise, as well as using their various relationships and connections with government and profit making circles to canvass for special government support for the University in terms of funding.

In their response, the parents/guardians thanked the Vice-Chancellor and the University Management for making the forum a reality. While adopting the Vice-Chancellor's address as a working document to be studied and deliberated upon at the next meeting of the forum, the parents/guardians acknowledged that the issues raised therein were such that needed urgent attention, especially the case of hostel accommodation. They expressed willingness in assisting in combating some of the problems and made on-the-spot cash donations. They also appointed a nine-man Protem-executive to run the affairs of the forum pending a formal election. The team was made up of

- i) Chief E.C. Eluchie
- Protem Chairman
- ii) Mr. Oshen Abua
- Protem Vice-Chairman
- iii) Mr. B.E. Ugwuegbu
- Protem Treasurer
- iv) Mr. Felix Eke
- Protem Secretary
- v) Mr. Chidi Nkwopara
- Protem P.R.O
- vi) Mr. A.C. Ekeke
- Protem Financial Sec.
- vii) Prof. I.C. Ogwude
- Ex. Officio member
- viii) Prof. M.I. Nwufu
- Ex. Officio member
- ix) Engr. G. Nwandikom
- Ex. Officio member

Another meeting of the forum was scheduled for the month of October 2001.

Report by Lois Obimba

MANAGEMENT/PARENTS FORUM YIELDS DIVIDEND VANGUARD NEWSPAPERS PRESENT BOUND COPIES TO FUTO

One of the dividends of the Management/Parents Forum was realized on Tuesday August 21, 2001 with the presentation of bound copies of the July, 2001 publications of the Vanguard Newspapers to the University.

Mr. Chidi Nkwopara, State correspondent of the Vanguard and initiator of the project, in a remark expressed hope that the copies would be of immense help to students who often stormed the company's office in Owerri in search of information. He looked forward to an enhanced cordial relationship between the University and the Vanguard Newspapers.

The Company's Marketing Manager, Mr. Dele Shobowale in his remark promised that the company would henceforth undertake the responsibility of sending subsequent bound copies to the University. He also pledged that efforts would be made towards sending microfilms in place of bound copies for effective space management.

The Vice-Chancellor thanked the Company and Mr. Nkwopara for the gesture which he said underscored the fact that there were various ways in which organizations can contribute to the development of the university. He observed that this was a manifestation of the fruits of the Management/Parents Forum and promised that the gesture would be appropriately reciprocated by the University.

PARENTS OF FUTO STUDENTS TO ERECT LECTURE HALL

Parents of FUTO students have agreed to sponsor the construction of a 300 Capacity Lecture Theatre within the next two years. This decision was reached at the second Parents / Guardians and Management Forum held on Saturday October 13, 2001.

At the meeting which was presided over by Mr. Chidi Nkwopara, the Forum's Public Relations Officer who stood in for the protem Chairman Chief E.C. Eluchie, the Protem Executive presented three proposed projects for the consideration of the forum namely: purchase of two Mercedes 1414 Buses, erection of a lecture hall and erection of a workshop. After exhaustive discussions on the feasibility, utility and durability of each of the three proposals, the forum agreed that the most pressing need of the students, apart from hostel accommodation, was the provision of more lecture halls. It was noted that the university authority through the Governing Council was already addressing the hostel needs through involvement of private developers on 'build operate and transfer' basis.

The forum further agreed that each parent would contribute a minimum sum of N5,000.00 per student per year over a period of two years to enable the forum raise money for the project which was estimated to cost over N60 million. It was also agreed that the contribution would take effect from January 2002 and would be applicable to subsequent new intakes.

Report by John Nnabuihe

FUTO ALUMNI TO BUILD POST GRADUATE HOSTEL

The Vice-Chancellor of the Federal University of Technology, Owerri, Prof. J.E. Njoku has revealed moves by FUTO Alumni Association to erect a postgraduate hostel in the Campus.

He made the disclosure at the swearing-in ceremony of the Graduate Students Association recently.

While congratulating members of the new Executive on their well-deserved victory, Prof. Njoku who is a Grand Patron of the Association advised them to see the assignment as a training opportunity for future leadership roles. He commended the members of the Association for their maturity in managing the extremely inadequate facilities provided for them and promised to do his best to provide more facilities.

Commenting on the quality of the Postgraduate programme run in the University, the Vice-Chancellor emphasized that FUTO "has a unique standard" among other universities. He made a donation of the sum of N20,000 on behalf of the University, in support of the Association. Earlier in a speech delivered on his behalf by the outgoing secretary, Mr. J. Ajah, the outgoing Chairman, Mr. F. Nwokoro enumerated areas where his administration made considerable achievements as in improvement of the GSA general administration, improvement on comfort at the post-graduate lecture halls and improved relationship between the Association and the school authority. He enjoined the new executive to be prepared to make necessary sacrifices in the discharge of their duties. He also solicited maximum support and co-operation of all GSA members and relevant authorities to the new executive.

The new Chairman of the Association, Mr. C. Okonkwo in a brief speech pledged his commitment to taking the Association to greater heights and improving on the welfare of its members. He also called for the support of all the members for the realization of the dreams of the new executive.

In his remark at the occasion, the Dean of the Post Graduate School, Engr. Prof. B.A. Nwachukwu informed the Graduate Students Association that efforts were being made to harmonize the postgraduate academic Calendar with that of the rest of the school. He noted with delight the high standard of postgraduate work in the school but regretted the low level of Computer literacy among the students.

He commended the outgoing executive for a job well done and looked forward to a harmonious working relationship with the new executive.

Those sworn-in were:
 Mr. Churchill Okonkwo
 -Chairman
 Miss Felicia Olebunne
 -Vice-Chairman
 Mr. Okechukwu Okere
 -Secretary
 Mr. Jonathan Ota
 -Asst. Secretary
 Mr. Stanley Ohaga
 -Fin. Secretary
 Mr. Reuben Okechi
 -Treasurer
 Mr. Anthony Ugwu
 -Public Relations Officer.

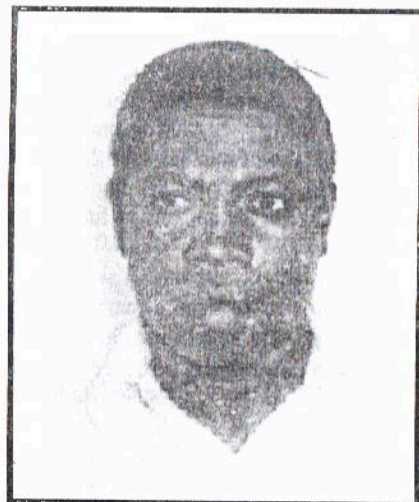
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enough testimony, and this will drive them away from cultism. Salaries and other entitlements have been promptly paid, except for new approvals of the Federal Government, not yet implemented.

SSANU would like to see more speedy processing and payment of gratuity and pension to retired staff so that we do not force people to falsify ages to remain in service for fear of the unknown.



MR. F.O. EZEMA
 ASUTON SECRETARY

The landscaping is a welcome development. During the last Federal Government Visitation to FUTO, we heard much about this landscaping issue. We are pleased that professionals have now been involved and the University is wearing a new look. The landscaping in SMAT is outstanding.

On staff welfare, FUTO is not doing badly as some Universities have not paid their staff salaries for months now. The Vice-Chancellor has done well in approving the payment of some Federal Government approved allowances for all staff, like the examination supervision and SIWES allowance for technologists. We are looking forward to the payment of other approved benefits for staff.

UBA, ROMAC DISCUSS WITH FUTO

The vision of the 7th Governing Council of the Federal University of Technology, Owerri to encourage private sector investment in addressing the infrastructural needs of the University has begun to yield dividends.

Mr. Charles Ohamara, the Group Head-Public Sector of the United Bank of Africa PLC recently led a three man delegation to acquaint the Vice-Chancellor with the willingness of UBA to participate in the infrastructural development programme of FUTO. Mr. Ohamara emphasized that UBA took special pride in its reputation as a customer friendly bank and therefore reckoned on its predisposition to source cheapest funds.

He pledged the Bank's readiness to specifically finance the staff accommodation needs of the University adding however that the extent of the facilities to be provided by UBA would be predicated by FUTO's counterpart funding (excluding land).

Another private developer, ROMAC Utilities Ltd, a consortium of companies engaged in engineering and architectural services with headquarters in Owerri was represented by its Chairman, Hon. Engr. E. Emenako. He indicated that his company had access to local and international finance bodies and could invest as much as N10 billion in the construction of students' hostels and University staff quarters.

Hon. Emenako indicated that NICON would insure all projects to be constructed by his company. In the event of failure to redeem after 50% volume utilization of the project, all statutory rights of occupancy would be transferred to NICON after 24 months.

In his remarks, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. J.C. Njoku stated that the meeting was informed by the decision of FUTO Management to review proposals before presentation to the Governing Council. He noted that the cash flow difficulties faced by the University would not permit the full mortgage of its Federal grants, more so to avoid the crippling of other capital projects.

In reaction to the Vice-Chancellor's invitation for comments, it was observed going by the proposals that the University was inclined to default even before project completion. The meeting therefore called for a phased BOT arrangement in preference to repayment of all commitments to ROMAC within two years.

The University proposes to build 100 units of duplexes, 150 units of 4 bedroom bungalows and 200 semi-detached bungalows for its professorial, senior and junior staff quarters respectively.

SPDC EXTENDS CAREER OPPORTUNITIES TO FUTO GRADUATES

In what has become a yearly event which highlights the high premium placed on FUTO graduates, the Shell Petroleum Development Company (SPDC) organized a Career Talk on September 12, 2001 at the 500 Seater Lecture Theatre for the advantage of penultimate and final year students of FUTO.

Against the background of the depreciating quality of education in Nigeria, the Team Leader, Mr. C. Emegwa extolled FUTO for its high academic standards and for churning out skilled graduates.

Mr. C. Emegwa told his audience that the team visited FUTO in pursuance of its Graduate Attraction Programme (GAP). In his expectation, FUTO students would derive benefits from the programme which creates awareness in career opportunities and exposes potential recruits to SPDC work environment. He explained that GAP is driven by SPDC manpower needs, essentially to attract the best and to continue to be the largest exploration and production company in Nigeria.

The Team leader affirmed that qualification for

admission into the Special Intensive Training Programme SITP (1) was through a highly competitive, fair and transparent process open to all Nigerians, regardless of sex, religion and ethnic background.

The programme, run by a reputable university in the U.K, in a first class and well equipped learning environment, equips trainees with specialized oil and gas exploration and production skills and also enables Nigerian graduates compete globally.

Eligible candidates must possess the G.C.E. O'level certificate with a minimum of 5 credits including Physics, Chemistry, Maths and English in one sitting; at least a second Class Lower degree in relevant disciplines and must have concluded the NYSC programme.

SPDC, Mr. Emegwa asserted is best known for providing a delightful combination of a work friendly atmosphere with excellent facilities, personal development programmes and highest conceivable rates of pay for interesting and satisfying work. "Our

Report by Adaeze Okany

FUTO TO GET 50 PHONE LINES

remuneration package is designed to attract, retain, motivate and stimulate high performance", he continued.

Providing a background of the company which transmuted from Shell D'arcy to Shell B.P, and now SPDC, the Team Leader said the business of SPDC is to find, produce and deliver hydrocarbons (crude oil and gas) safely, responsibly and economically for the nation, Joint Venture partners and other stakeholders; in doing this "we contribute to the sustainable development of Nigeria and her people".

Earlier, the Ag. Head, Guidance and Counselling Unit, FUTO, Dr. (Mrs.) E.N. Ihenacho made visible the relevance of career guidance as an integral part of classroom teaching and learning providing appropriate educational and occupational information to students.

The DVC (Academic) Prof. A.B.I. Udedibie who stood in for the Vice-Chancellor described the Career Talk as a rewarding event and thanked both SPDC and FUTO officials for organizing the programme.

The Dean of the School of Science, Prof. U.B.C.O. Ejike in a vote of thanks requested the Team Leader to provide printed copies of the talk for easy consultation, referrals and future guidance.

Pre and post event questionnaires were administered to students who were fully enriched by the experience.

Report by Adaeze Okany

The Federal University of Technology, Owerri (FUTO) is to be allocated 50 telephone lines from the new NITEL digital exchange which recently went into operation in Owerri the Imo State Capital. Already, approval for the lines had been granted by NITEL Headquarters and implementation will soon commence.

Prof. Jude Njoku, FUTO Vice-Chancellor made the disclosure during an official visit to the office of the Nigerian Universities Network (NUNet) in the institution. He noted that the provision of telephone facilities on the campus would enable the University have access to the INTERNET for up-to-date information on new developments in science and technology.

The Vice-Chancellor also revealed that FUTO is ranked third among Nigerian Universities in terms of expertise in computer and communications technology and stressed the need for the University to make the best use of its expertise. He challenged the already identified experts to bring up younger generation of experts to take over from them and promised to provide more office and computer facilities for the NUNet office.

Earlier in his welcome speech, the Chairman of FUTO NUNet Committee, Prof. Johnson Ejimanya commended the Vice-Chancellor for his commitment to NUNet and requested him to earnestly pursue the Computer Networking of the University and subsequent connectivity to the INTERNET.

He noted that the Unit had made significant impact on the University Community by creating awareness and desire among staff to acquire e-mail addresses. He however, indicated that the major problems of NUNet were the epileptic power supply by NEPA and the unsteady functioning of telephone system in Imo State and requested the Vice-Chancellor to consider the provision of an alternative power supply.

The Vice-Chancellor was accompanied by the Deputy Vice-Chancellors and other Principal officers.

Report by John Nnabuihe

FUTO MANAGEMENT TO REWARD TIMELY SUBMISSION OF RESULTS

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. J.E. Njoku has indicated the intention of the FUTO Management to reward speedy grading of examination scripts and timely submission of results by academic staff. The Vice-Chancellor gave the hint while declaring open a seminar on 'The Conduct and Management of Examination' for all academic staff from the rank of Graduate Assistant up to Senior Lecturer which was held recently at the 500 Capacity lecture Theatre, FUTO.

He stressed the importance of such a seminar which had been overdue in view of the large volume of results correction brought to the Senate and the delay in processing of students' results for approval by the Senate. The Vice-Chancellor suggested that technologists should be included in future.

Earlier in his welcome address, the Director of Academic Planning and Development whose office organized the seminar stated that the aim of the seminar was to ensure the conduct of hitch free examination and conformity with the approved grading system so that students would graduate with classes of degrees which they actually merited.

Four eminent professors presented papers on various aspects of examinations. Prof. E.O.I. Banigo, one of the pioneer professors in FUTO and former Vice-Chancellor of Rivers State University of Science and Technology, Port Harcourt and currently Chairman, Business Committee of Senate took the first shot. In his paper titled "Examination Management and Supervision" he emphasized the need for proper and

effective co-ordination among the various Departments/ Units and individuals involved with the conduct and management of examinations.

He called for the provision of more conducive environment for writing examinations in order to avoid overcrowding and minimize examination malpractices.

Prof. A.I. Ukoha, former Dean of School of Science, spoke on "Continuous Assessment." He contended that continuous assessment as an integrated part of the teaching process was imperative. He further opined that students should be at liberty to have access to the result of their semester tests before going into the semester examination.

Prof. Ukoha stressed the need for proper record keeping by those involved in examination conduct and administration and for lecturers to make proper use of the marking scheme. "Calculation of students grades is an easy task which involves simple arithmetic operations of addition, multiplication and division of numbers." So said Prof. U.B.C.O. Ejike, incumbent Dean of School of Science and first Deputy Vice-Chancellor of FUTO. His paper on 'Calculation of Grade Point Average (GPA)' was presented with mathematical precision and tabular illustrations of how students' grades should be computed from year one to graduation. He noted that error in calculating students grades

may affect their class of degrees.

The immediate past Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Prof. M.U. Iloeje took his paper, from the legal angle. He vividly presented the statutory roles of various bodies and individuals in the conduct and management of examinations. In his words "the legal power to make arrangements for examinations up to presentation of results for consideration and approval by the Senate belong to the School Boards of Studies acting through their respective Boards of Examiners whose members shall by law be appointed by the Senate."

Prof. Iloeje emphasized that proper channel of presenting examination results to the Senate must not be contravened, adding that moderation of examination results is clearly the duty of the Board of Examiners and not that of the Head of Department alone.

*Report by John Nnabuihe
and Dennis Chiedo*

FUTO PLEDGES COMMITMENT TO NIFST

The Vice-Chancellor of the Federal University of Technology, Owerri, Prof. J.E. Njoku has declared the University's readiness to strongly stand behind the Nigerian Institute of Food Science and Technology (NIFST).

Prof. Njoku disclosed this while speaking at the opening of a two-day workshop on 'FOOD PROCESSING QUALITY ASSURANCE AND LEGAL REQUIREMENTS' organized by NIFST Owerri Zone at the FSP Hall Owerri. Prof. Njoku lamented that the food crisis in the country had not been properly addressed by successive governments, adding that NIFST has a great role to play in resolving the food crisis. The Vice-Chancellor noted with pride that FUTO is highly respected in the field of Food Science and Technology and promised to beef up the department for greater efficiency.

In his remark, the Chairman of the Seminar, Mr. U.J. Ukpabia of the National Root Crop Research Institute (NRCRI), said that the workshop was basically organized to enlighten and sensitize the public on the expectations and requirements involved in food processing towards production of wholesome food.

According to the keynote address presented by Mr. Okpara, Director of Livestock on behalf of the Honourable Commissioner of Agriculture Imo State, the food industry plays vital role in the development of a viable economy. He however regretted that on the basis of Human Development Index (HDI) which considers the nutritional status of the citizens and level of her food security, Nigeria is rated very low.

The Commissioner of Agriculture therefore called for

serious sensitization on issues relating to responsibilities of food agencies as regards food quality and management, certification and professionalism in food industry in Imo State.

According to the communiqué signed by the Zonal Co-ordinator of NIFST, Dr. O.S. Eke at the end of the workshop, the need for enlightenment campaign aimed at improving the much designed food processing and techniques was emphasized.

Agencies such as NAFDAC and Standards Organization of Nigeria (SON) were enjoined to be resolute and also to foster co-operation with professional institutes such as NIFST.

Papers were presented by other distinguished food scientists among whom were Prof. J.C. Okaka of Enugu State University of Technology (ESUT), Dr. C.N. Ubbaonu of Federal University of Technology, Owerri (FUTO) and Mrs Mercy Obidigbo of National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC).

Others were Dr. W.I. Obioha of the Federal Polytechnic Nekede, Owerri and Mr. Chidi Osuagwu of the Alvan Ikoku College of Education, Owerri.

The attendance of the workshop clearly captured how the public feels about the theme. Participants were drawn from students and staff of the Department of Food Science and Technology of all the Institutions of higher learning within and outside Imo State. Environmental Health Officers, Food Processing and Packaging Agencies as well as Food Industries within Imo State were not left out.

NIGERIA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION (NLA) GRATEFUL TO FUTO

The Nigeria Library Association, Imo State Chapter has shown appreciation to the Vice-Chancellor of the Federal University of Technology, Owerri, Prof. J. E. Njoku for his assistance during the recently concluded 39th National Library Conference held in Owerri, Imo State.

This was demonstrated with a courtesy call on the Vice-Chancellor by a five-man team of the Association led by their Chairman, Mr. M.S. Onye on Wednesday, August 22, 2001.

In his brief speech, Mr. Onye who doubles as the University Librarian praised Prof. Njoku for being a man of his words having redeemed his pledge and prayed that he should continue to respond to their calls in the future.

Earlier, while breaking the kolanut, Mr. Onye prayed God for the fortification of the University Management. The Vice-Chairman of NLA, Dr. R.U. Ononagbo who is the Librarian of Imo State University presented some gift items on behalf of NLA to Prof. Njoku.

Among the gift items presented were a Conference Bag, a Photo Album and Video Cassette on the 39th Conference. The Vice-Chancellor in his response welcomed their kind gesture, even as he declared his willingness to render more assistance. He noted that it was always worthwhile to go the extra-mile to assist, especially when it has to do with academic development. He remarked that the gift items would always remind him of the Association.

Prof. Njoku commended the successful execution of the conference which he said was an honour to the entire state. He also expressed satisfaction with the attendance at the conference which cut across various age groups. The level of organization and innovations exhibited at the conference was also highly praised by Prof. Njoku.

Reports by Blessing Ekemezie

NAPSON PRESIDENT CALLS ON FUTO VICE-CHANCELLOR

The National President of the National Association of Professional Secretaries of Nigeria (NAPSON) Mr. Chris Ogbeku recently paid a courtesy visit to the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. J.E. Njoku.

Speaking on the visit, Mr. Ogbeku informed the Vice-Chancellor that NAPSON is a professional association which aims at updating the professional competence of its members through organization of workshops and conferences. He requested the Vice-Chancellor to sponsor more of their members in FUTO to attend workshops and to give priority attention to the procurement of modern office equipment to enhance the performance of secretaries.

The NAPSON President also called for the involvement of secretaries in the procurement of office stationery to ensure quality of output. He further appealed to the University authority to consider moving typists to grades higher than their current terminal grade.

Responding, the Vice-Chancellor thanked the NAPSON President for the visit. He observed that the duties performed by the secretaries makes constant update of the professional competence an imperative and declared the willingness of his administration to sponsor many FUTO secretarial staff to NAPSON organized conferences. The Vice-Chancellor also stressed the need for computer literacy for secretaries in FUTO especially now that FUTO is computerizing activities in all the departments.

Moving a vote of thanks the FUTO Branch President of NAPSON Mr. C.E.A. Anaba thanked the Vice-Chancellor for his favourable disposition to staff development.

Report by John Nnabuike

VC URGES FUTO STAFF TO REDUCE STRESS

"We must stay alive as strong and healthy people to work and achieve the peak of our chosen career and retire. This behoves us to create a conducive atmosphere in our homes and offices in FUTO". The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. J.E. Njoku so declared at the opening of the 'Stress Management Seminar' for Principal Officers, Deans, Directors and Heads of Departments of FUTO on August 1, 2001 at the Villa Mariae Guest House, Owerri.

Dr. E.C. Agulanna, the Principal Consultant of Veedae Management Consultants, organizers of the seminar, stressed that the essence of the seminar in relation to FUTO staff, whose jobs were more mental than physical, was to protect the brain from the dangers of stress. In his lead paper on 'The Concept of Stress; Organizational Causes and Consequences', Dr. E.C. Agulanna defined stress as "a situation when we perceive events as straining our coping capacities and threatening our well being." He enumerated the major causes of stress at work as work overload, inadequate material resource, physical variables (temperature, noise etc.) non-involvement in decision making process, and unclear job description and evaluation criteria. Others are unfair performance appraisal and forceful retirement. The ugly consequences include loss of working days caused by stress induced ailments, high medical bills, decreased mental alertness and loss of physical stamina.

Dr. C.C. Ekennia's lecture on 'Domestic Stress' aroused great interest. "Domestic stress is most devastating . . . considering the fact that the family is the nerve centre of all human institutions upon which the survival of society depends", he explained. The more adjusted a home is, the less stress generated in the home, says his theory.

Dr. Ekennia's findings from a multi-component research indicated that family power ran in a sequence, from the man in the first twelve years of marriage to the woman and children thereafter.

He asserted that reckless use of family power by the man disequilibrates the harmony in the home, creates a hostile home environment, alienates him from his wife and children which concomitantly introduces devastating stress.

To enhance a man's longevity and fulfilment particularly later in life therefore, Dr. Ekennia advocated investment in the wife in the early years of marriage as social security. He emphasized the need to create a fertile emotional climate and to treat the wife with understanding, patience, love and care, recognizing the fact that she largely determines the success of the marriage and of the children too.

The high point of the 2-day seminar was the realization of the inevitability of stress in life which confirmed that perception was the key that determined our ability to cope or collapse. Here Dr. E.C. Agulanna reveals eight (8) stress busters:

- Take deep breaths, exhale repeatedly.
- Discuss / share your problems.
- Take a time out.
- Exercise regularly.
- Say No to some of the excessive demands on your time.
- Soothe the nerves with music.
- Pray always.
- Embrace Humour.

After the presentation of papers and discussion session, Dr. (Mrs) G.G. Agulanna also of the Veedae Management Consultants administered stress tests on the participants.

Report by Adaeze Okany

FUTO MONITORING COMMITTEE CALLS ON VICE-CHANCELLOR

The University Monitoring Committee on Wednesday, August 8, 2001 called on the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. J.E. Njoku in his office.

The Chairman of the Committee, Mr. S.E. Akpan related its objectives as monitoring punctuality and staying on the job of non-teaching members of staff and making monthly report to the Chief Executive. This he said was in a bid to restore good work ethics and dignity in the job. The Chairman observed that the report for the month of July showed improvement in the general attitude to work. He promised the team's preparedness to carry out its assignment faithfully and solicited the assistance especially of Heads of Department for more effectiveness.

The Vice-Chancellor commended the team on the job done so far as the effects were already being felt. He emphasized that the right work ethics would help in building a good image for the University.

Prof. Njoku endorsed the strategies being adopted by the committee and charged it to discharge its duties without fear or favour.

The Vice-Chancellor warned that the penalty for defaulters would range from verbal administrative warning to denial of promotion depending on the magnitude of default. He also used the opportunity to inform the team that the issue of staff accommodation problem was being vigorously addressed as arrangement were on the way for the building of quarters for the different categories of staff at the campus.

Other members of the monitoring committee present at the occasion were Dr. C.B.C. Ohanuzue; Dr. B.O. Esonu; Mrs. I.C. Ude; Mr. E. Amadi and Miss C. Ibekwe.

Report by Lois Obimba

FUTO EMERGES CHAMPION

History was made on Tuesday, June 10, 2001 as the Federal University of Technology, Owerri emerged champions of the NICON/NUFOL Football Tournament, a feat that made FUTO the first University east of the Niger to win a national trophy within the last four decades.

The above revelation was made by the Sports Officer, Mr. G.A.C. Emejeamara during the presentation of the trophy to the Vice-Chancellor. The Director further revealed that the tournament kicked off on June 24, 2000 with FUTO as the headquarters of Zone 6. During the tournament, FUTO played a total of thirteen matches, won eight, drew four and lost only one. He informed the Vice-Chancellor that FUTO conceded only six goals, the least in the entire tournament and that the goalkeeper was adjudged one of the best.



VC Prof. J.E. Njoku displays the NUFOL football trophy Won by FUTO

In a brief remark at the occasion, the Ag. Dean of Student Affairs, Dr. O.N. Oguoma specially thanked the Vice-Chancellor for all his support and encouragement. He expressed joy at the fact that the team did not disappoint the Vice-Chancellor. He also thanked all who worked on the technical side to bring about the victory.

While receiving the trophy on behalf of the entire University community, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. J.E. Njoku, thanked God and congratulated all who contributed to the achievement. He stated that he never lost hope after their defeat and so was undaunted in supporting the team. He expressed gladness at the fact that the team justified the hope that was reposed in it. Prof. Njoku stated his belief that the victory signified better things that are to come to the University. He affirmed his commitment to good showmanship for FUTO as that would help in improving the image of the institution. The Vice-Chancellor commended the players for their discipline and the team spirit and promised a sporting complex and befitting reception by the University Community. He wished them more success in their future encounters.

Report by Lois Obimba

NIGERIAN REPRESENTATIVES RETURN FROM CHINA

Four students and two members of staff of FUTO who represented Nigeria at the 21st World University (Unversaide) Games held in China between August 21 and September 4, 2001 are back to FUTO.

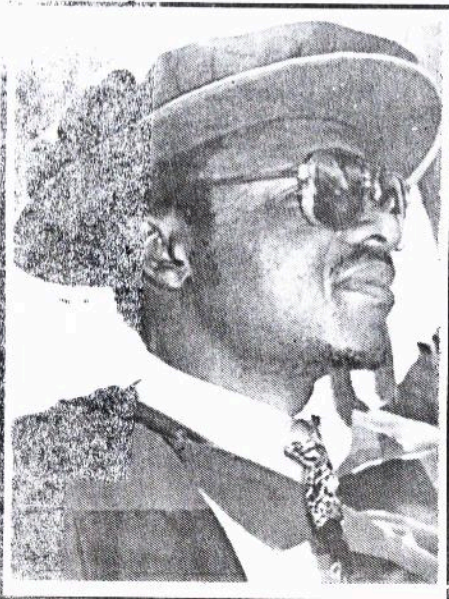
The students included Chijioko Onyi (Industrial Chemistry), Obianika Okafor (Civil Engineering), Paul Anyanwu (Maths/Computer) and Michael Nwokedi (Civil Engineering).

The staff are Gab A.C. Emejeamara – Chief Coach and Don Obichere – Senior Coach.

FUTONews on behalf of the University Community welcomes the sports ambassadors.

VC BECOMES SUG GRAND PATRON

The Students' Union Government (SUG) has appreciated the Vice-Chancellor's fatherly disposition towards solving the problems of students of the University.



The Students' Union Government President, Comrade J.C Ayoka made this disclosure on October 2, 2001 when the union executives presented to the Vice-Chancellor a Certificate of Investiture as Grand Patron of the union.

Comrade Ayoka commended the Vice-Chancellor for his achievement so far including the completion of the 500 Capacity Lecture Theatre, the provision of a mini sports complex and the road rehabilitation, all of which are geared towards alleviating the problems of FUTO students in their study environment.

In his response, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. J.E. Njoku apologised for not finding time to receive the souvenir earlier, stating that he knew their problems even before meeting with him.

He stated that though he would not claim to have solved all their problems, he had the zeal to do so in the shortest time. He promised to secure a supporting generating set for the hostels in due course and called for their understanding with the University Management.

The Vice-Chancellor also reiterated the need for employing dialogue for conflict resolution, reminding them of the regard and respect FUTO students command from outsiders owing to the stability the University had enjoyed.

He finally revealed the readiness of the Council to award the contract for the building of the scholarship hostel and called for their hard work to maintain the good reputation of the University.

Report by Blessing Ekemezie

COMMUNITY REQUESTS VC TO CALL STUDENTS TO ORDER

The Vice-Chancellor of Federal University of Technology, Owerri, Prof. J.E. Njoku recently invited the Executive of Eziobodo Union for dialogue over complaints of anti-social behaviour of some FUTO students living among the villagers. In his opening remarks, the Vice-Chancellor who was represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) Prof. A.B.I. Udedibie told his guests to regard FUTO students living in their midst as their own children and wards, and to report any misdeed on the part of students to FUTO authority for immediate investigation and appropriate action.

The Vice-Chancellor described the location of the University as a blessing to the host communities and assured them that FUTO would continue to give them favourable consideration in the areas of employment and minor jobs.

In his speech the President-General of Eziobodo Town Union, Mr. V.C.A. Ekeugo, who led the delegation, thanked the Vice-Chancellor for inviting them and apologised for sending their complaint to the state Governor without first informing the Vice-Chancellor. He stated that the community was made to believe that the university had no effective control over students living outside the campus, adding that the degree of offence warranted

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their action in order to avoid a breach of peace in the community.

He informed the Vice-Chancellor that some FUTOLA students in black uniforms were sighted heading for the farms and the next day what looked like an initiation ground was discovered. That, he said, was regarded as a taboo by the villagers. The President-General requested the Vice-Chancellor to call students to order as the community would not tolerate any further desecration of their farm lands.

Commenting on the report, the Ag. Dean of Student Affairs, Dr. O.N. Oguoma told the delegation that all students of FUTOLA were under the authority of the University wherever they reside, as long as they remained students of FUTOLA, adding that they were expected to be found worthy in both character and learning before being admitted into the degrees of the University. He urged the community to always inform the University authority of any misconduct by FUTOLA students and suggested that landlords of FUTOLA students should enter into written agreement with their student tenants and copies of such agreement made available to the University.

Contributing to the discussion, the Ag. Chief Security Officer, Mr. Simon Gokop suggested that the community Vigilante Group should always furnish FUTOLA with vital information concerning the activities of FUTOLA students.

In his closing remarks, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) advised the Town Union to maintain constant communication with the University.

Other members of the delegation were Mr. Fabian Amadi, Vice-President, Mr. K.C. Chieke, Assistant Secretary, Mr. D. Eke and Mr. Ben Ekedo.

*Report by John Nwabuihe
and Dennis Chiedo*

A 19 man delegation of the FUTOLA Landlord Association (FUTOLA) on Tuesday, September 25, 2001 called on the Vice-Chancellor of the University.

The leader of the team and FUTOLA Chairman Chief Sir A.N. Ekeopara, in a brief remark stated that the purpose of the meeting was to strengthen the peaceful relationship existing between FUTOLA and the University Community. He said that FUTOLA as a partner in progress with FUTOLA deserved to be informed on happenings in the University that would need the association's attention. Chief Ekeopara assured the Vice-Chancellor that FUTOLA is a peace-loving association that believed in dialogue as means of resolving her differences with any party.

In an address read on behalf of the association by its Vice-Chairman, Deacon G.N. Onyemechara, the FUTOLA solicited more employment quota in the junior staff cadres and scholarship for their sons and daughters. The association warned about the presence of a group it referred to as 'dissident element' which it believed was not working for the interest of the University. It then called on the Vice-Chancellor to ask the group to either stop their activities or merge with FUTOLA if they must operate. The association pledged its unalloyed loyalty to FUTOLA and affirmed that it was against any form of breach of peace in the campus.

While responding, the Vice-Chancellor promised that

with time, the presence of the University would be more felt by the host communities. He however informed the association that FUTOLA can not guarantee the provision of pipe borne water and tarred roads for the communities. On the issue of employment and scholarship, the Vice-Chancellor assured FUTOLA that their sons and daughters who qualify would be duly considered when such vacancies and services are available.

The Chief Executive condemned the hostile attitude of some members of the host communities which manifested in the illegal harvesting of cassava from the FUTOLA students' demonstration farm, an act that culminated in the suspension of the programme. He pledged that FUTOLA on its part would do everything possible to maintain peace with the host communities. He also promised to look into the complaints of the collection of illegal rates/fees by the Students' Union Government from various categories of vendors on campus.

Other university functionaries present at the occasion were the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) Prof. A.B.I. Udedibie; Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration) Prof. I.C. Ogwude; Director, Office of University Development, Engr. G.I. Nwandikom and the Public Relations Officer, Mr. J.U. Nnabuihe.

*Report by John Nwabuihe
and Dennis Chiedo*

DIALOGUE - VC TELLS OLA

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. J.E. Njoku has implored the representatives of the Original Landlords Association (OLA) to always seek resolution of grievances with the University through dialogue. He gave this advice while welcoming the OLA delegation led by its Chairman, Chief F.O. Okorochoa, on a visit to FUTO.

He drew the attention of the Association to the fact that FUTO operated under difficult conditions and called for patience and understanding on the part of the Original Landlords Association.

The Vice-Chancellor observed that the Association had not maintained regular communication with the University and so was bound to be full of misgivings. He placed it on record that "I do not deceive anybody ... let us be genuine and straightforward".

He therefore urged the Association to seek relevance in the affairs of the University. He maintained that no vacuum existed in the University in the absence of the Vice-Chancellor since the University had other Principal Officers who acted for the Vice-Chancellor in his absence.

In his reply to complaints made by the Association on employment matters, the Vice-Chancellor vehemently stated that he had implemented his policy of giving priority to host communities in employment and patronage of minor contractors. He confirmed recruitment of indigenes who had met the employment criteria. The Vice-Chancellor wondered how ill-prepared candidates were expected to scale through the hurdle of competitive written exams and oral

interviews. "We must be seen to do the right thing", he declared. He challenged the Association to bring forward names of recommended and appointable candidates that were denied employment.

As regards cults, he enjoined the Chairman to forward the names of any FUTO student caught 'red handed' in cult activities for outright expulsion. In another vein, he reiterated his decision to maintain a neutral stand in any disagreements between associations of host communities, but also advised them to avoid internal wranglings which do not augur well for peace and development.

The Chairman of the Original Landlords Association, Chief F.O. Okorochoa pledged the support of the Association and craved the opportunity to contribute its quota to the progress of the University.

Chief Okorochoa had expressed displeasure with the non-employment of natives of host communities in recent recruitment exercises in FUTO. He also frowned at the delay in the payment of local contractors and also narrated a case of cult activity involving some FUTO students.

The 22 man delegation representing Eziobodo, Ihiagwa and Obinze communities included Rufus Ejimogu, the Vice-Chairman and J.A. Nwachukwu, the General Secretary.

Report by Adaeze Okany

ABI RECOGNIZES PROF. A.B.I. UDEDIBIE

Quiet and purposeful Prof. A.B.I. Udedibie has been uniquely honoured by his acronym, ABI - American Biological Institute. He was "chosen for distinguished standing" and conferred with an honorary appointment to the Research Board of Advisers.

A season of glory it has been for Prof. Udedibie in 2001, having been elected Chairman, Committee of Deans, FUTO in January; selected for the conferment of Fellow of the Nigerian Society for Animal Production in March and appointed Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) in July.

FUTO News congratulates Prof. Udedibie on his achievement and wishes him more feathers in his cap.

Hearty Cheers.

ANAFULU HONoured BY THE NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Mr. Joseph C. Anafulu, former University Librarian (1981-1997), now Managing Director of FUTO Bookshop Limited was awarded the Fellow of the Nigerian Library Association (FNLA) by the Council, for his unrivalled and extraordinary contributions to library development in Nigeria.

Mr. Anafulu received the NLA's highest professional award on June 21, 2001 at the Imo Concorde Hotel, Owerri during the association's 39th National Conference.

We, at FUTO News congratulate him on his well deserved honour.

P.B.U. ACHI BAGS FIEE

The Director of the University Computer Centre, Prof. Peter Benson U. Achi has been admitted as Fellow of the Institution of Electrical Engineers with effect from July 19, 2001. The institution with headquarters in Westminster London, was founded in 1871 and incorporated by Royal Charter in 1921. The University Community rejoices with Prof. Achi on his advancement to the status of a Chartered Engineer.

**EMEJAMARA BAGS
TWO NATIONAL
APPOINTMENTS**

FUTO Sports Officer, Mr. Gab Emejeamara was recently honoured with two national appointments.

First, he is now and for a term of four years the Treasurer of Nigerian Universities Games Association (NUGA) Executive Committee. The second appointment coming simultaneously is as a member of the National Commission for Colleges of Education (NCCE) Accreditation Team for this year at Cross River Field Centre for Physical and Health Education.

FUTONews congratulates the Sports Officer on the new appointments.

**VC RECONSTITUTES
MEMBERSHIP OF BOARD
OF SURVEY**

The Vice-Chancellor has re-constituted the standing Board of Survey with the under listed as members:

1. Prof. J.I. Ejimanya (Dean, SEET) – Chairman
2. Registrar
3. Bursar
4. University Librarian
5. Chairman, Committee of Deans
6. Director of Works
7. Director, OUD
8. Director, FUTO Consult
9. Chief Security Officer
10. Head, Internal Audit
11. Chief Stores Officer
12. Mr. J.E. Nwogu
13. Mr. R.E. Amaechi
14. Secretary to be provided by Registrar

The terms of reference of the Board are as follows:

- (a) To identify and take stock of all obsolete items in FUTO.
- (b) To determine the value of such items.
- (c) To make recommendations for the approval of the Vice-Chancellor on the modalities for boarding such items.

PROMOTIONS

On the recommendation of the Academic Staff Appointments and Promotions Committee (Non – Professorial) held on May 30, 2001, the Vice-Chancellor, on behalf of the Governing Council approved the promotion of DR. GODWIN E.I. NWORUH from Senior Lecturer on HATISS 13/8 to READER on HATISS 14/6 with effect from October 1, 1998.

Also, on the recommendation of the Administrative and Professional Staff Appointments Committee, the Governing Council at its 90th meeting held on November 10, 2000 approved the promotion of the following staff:

S/NO	NAME	DEPT/UNIT	FORMER RANK	NEW RANK	EFFECTIVE DATE
1	NWAGBARAOCHA, RHODA C.	STAFF SCHOOL	PRIN. MASTER	ASST. CHIEF MASTER	OCT. 1, 2000
2	OPARA, FERDINAND	"	"	"	"
3	ANYANWU, SYBIL	"	SNR. MASTER	PRIN. MASTER	"
4	AKPAN, ENOBONG S.	"	MISTRESS I	SNR MISTRESS II	"
5	NWUNNEH, GRACE	"	MASTER II	MASTER I	"
6	OBASI, CHARLES	"	"	"	"
7	OGBONNA, CHIKWENDU J.	"	"	"	OCT. 1, 1999
8	OVRI, FLORENCE	"	"	"	OCT. 1, 2000
9	OFULUME, EBELE	"	MISTRESS II	MISTRESS I	"
10	DIKE, BEATRICE N.	"	ASST. MISTRESS	MISTRESS II	"

CONVERSION

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the Conversion of Appointment of the underlisted staff.

S/NO	NAME	FORMER RANK	NEW RANK	DATE OF CONVERSION
1	ONWUCHEKWA, WILSON N.	CHIEF EX. OFFICER	SNR. ASST. REGISTRAR	OCT. 1, 1998
2	ANABA, CHIJOKE E.A.	PRIN. PERS. SEC.	ASST. REGISTRAR	"
3	IGBE, JANE	SNR. EX. OFFICER	ADMIN. ASSISTANT	OCT. 1, 1999
4	UWAKWE, SOLOMON O.	PRIN. CL. OFFICER	ADMIN. ASSISTANT	JUNE 1, 2001
5	AMAEFULI, CHRISTY N.	PRIN. CL. OFFICER	EX. OFFICER	JUNE 13, 2001
6	ANUNOBI, EDWARD	SNR. STORE SUP.	"	"
7	CHUKWUDI, JOSEPHINE	SNR. CL. OFFICER	"	"
8	KENKWO, THERESA U.E.	ASST. CHIEF CL. SUP.	"	"
9	OPARA HAROLD N.	SNR. CL. OFFICER	"	"
10	EMEZIE, CHIJOKE	ASST. CHIEF G/MAN	CL. OFFICER	JULY 27, 2001
11	MGBOROGWU, CHARITY N.	CARETAKER	"	"
12	ONUOHA, UGOCHI	RECORD ATTD.	"	"
13	ONYERIWA, JOSEPH	ASST. PATROL SUP.	"	"
14	OPARA, ANTHONY N.	"	"	"
15	OPARA, HAPPINESS I.	SNR. PATROL WOMAN	"	"
16	OSUJI, REGINALD	ASST. CHIEF G/MAN	"	"
17	ONUOHA, UKACHI	PRIN. LIB. ASST.	LIB. OFFICER	AUG. 6, 2001
18	NWACHUKWU, JOY N.	PRIN. CL. OFFICER	ACCOUNTANT II	OCT. 1, 1999
19	ONUOHA, LUCKY N.	HEO (AUDIT)	"	OCT. 1, 1998
20	OPARA, JOHN	SNR. PORTER	"	OCT. 1, 1999
21	UGAH, ANTHONY C.	ASST. CHIEF CL. SUP.	"	"
22	KALU, OKECHUKWU O.	PRIN. CL. OFFICER	EX. OFFICER (ACCTS)	JUNE 13, 2001

REGULARIZATION

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the Regularization of Appointments of the following Staff:

S/NO	NAME	DEPT / UNIT	RANK	DATE OF ASSUMPTION
1	NWOKO, CHINATU C.	REGISTRY	ASST. REGISTRAR	JAN. 3, 2001
2	AGU, KENNETH I.	"	ADMIN. OFFICER	JAN. 2, 2001
3	AMACHI, CHINWEUBA	"	"	APRIL 2, 2001
4	IHEUKWUMERE, OBIOHA I.	"	"	OCT. 18, 2000
5	EHIRIM, FRANCES I.	"	ADMIN. ASST.	OCT. 10, 2000
6	IBEKWE, CHIOMA N.	"	"	SEPT. 25, 2000
7	OGUOMA, NNENNA U.	"	"	SEPT. 1, 2000
8	IHENACHO, CHRIS N.	"	HIGHER EX. OFFICER	OCT. 10, 2000
9	EZE, FELICIA O.	"	SNR. CL. OFFICER	JULY 21, 2000
10	EBOH, SAMUEL O.	"	CL. OFFICER	APRIL 29, 1999
11	NDU, MGBECHI	"	"	AUG. 1, 2000
12	OHAKWE, CAROLINE	"	CLERICAL ASST.	NOV. 20, 2000
13	NJOKU, FIDELIS	BURSARY	ACCOUNTANT I	APRIL 2, 2001
14	ASHIEGBU, KENNETH	STUDENT AFFAIRS	PORTER	FEB. 5, 2001
15	DANIELS, CHRISTOPHER	"	"	MARCH 26, 2001
16	EGEGAMUKA, CHRISTIAN	"	"	FEB. 12, 2001
17	EJIMOFOR, PAULINUS	"	"	MARCH 26, 2001
18	NWACHUKWU, UZOMA	"	"	FEB. 20, 2001
19	OGUOMA, UZOMA	"	"	FEB. 5, 2001

S/NO	NAME	DEPT/UNIT	RANK	DATE OF ASSUMPTION
20	ABALJEKE, EDITH C.	STUDENT AFFAIRS	PORTRESS	FEB. 7, 2001
21	CHUKWU, HELEN I.	"	"	FEB. 5, 2001
22	EGBUKICHI EBERECHI	"	"	"
23	EKE, UZOMA	"	"	MARCH 1, 2001
24	EKEZIEM, HELEN	"	"	FEB. 6, 2001
25	FLECHI, CHRISTY	"	"	FEB. 15, 2001
26	ELUMELU, EBEL E.	"	"	FEB. 5, 2001
27	NWOSU, SYLVIA I.	"	"	MARCH 23, 2001
28	OGBONNA, CHARITY	"	"	MARCH 1, 2001
29	OKAM, JULIANA C.	"	"	FEB. 5, 2001
30	ONYEJUBA, MARIA	"	"	"
31	UMUNAKWE, HOPE C.	"	"	FEB. 13, 2001

NEW ARRIVALS

Below, is a list of new members of staff who recently assumed duty in the University.

S/NO	NAME	DEPT/UNIT	RANK	DATE OF ASSUMPTION	NATURE OF APPOINTMENT
1	CHUKWU, IMMANUEL C.	FUTO CONSULT	PRIN. PROJ. OFFICER	JUNE 27, 2001	TENURE
2	UMUNNAKWE, GERTRUDE C.	LIBRARY	ASST. LIBRARIAN	AUG. 15, 2001	"
3	AKINDE, TAIWO	"	GRADUATE ASST.	AUG. 16, 2001	"
4	ANYANWU, AUGUSTINE	"	"	AUG. 16, 2001	"
5	IGWE, NKECHI	"	"	AUG. 10, 2001	"
6	MBERU, NGOZI A.	"	"	AUG. 15, 2001	"
7	NNADOZIE, NKIRU	"	"	AUG. 20, 2001	"
8	NWACHUKWU CHINOYEREM	"	"	AUG. 15, 2001	"
9	NWAKWUO, OBINNA LP	"	"	OCT. 2, 2001	"
10	OKIKA, HEYINWA	"	"	AUG. 20, 2001	"
11	ONYEBINAMA, COLETTE O.	"	"	AUG. 20, 2001	TENURE
12	UDE, MARIA	"	"	AUG. 9, 2001	"
13	AMADI, PEACE	LIBRARY	HIGHER LIB. OFFICER	AUG. 16, 2001	"
14	DIKE, CHIDI A.	"	"	AUG. 22, 2001	"
15	EGBUJOR, IRENE	"	"	AUG. 6, 2001	"
16	IWUCHUKWU, CHARITY O.	"	"	AUG. 15, 2001	"
17	MUONEKE, ESTHER	"	"	AUG. 17, 2001	"
18	OGUERI, EMEKA	"	"	AUG. 20, 2001	"
19	OHAEGBU, GRACE C.	"	"	AUG. 16, 2001	"
20	OPARA, CELESTINE C.	"	"	AUG. 15, 2001	"
21	UNAMBA-OPARA, SHEILA	REGISTRY	ASST. REGISTRAR	AUG. 1, 2001	TENURE
22	AGWOCHA, CHINYERE	"	ADMIN. ASSISTANT	JULY 4, 2001	"
23	EKWUGHIA, JULIET C.	"	"	AUG. 6, 2001	"
24	NWACHUKWU, JOAN O.	"	HIGHER EX. OFFICER	JUNE 27, 2001	"
25	NDUGBU, HEYINWA M.	"	SNR. CL. OFFICER	SEPT. 3, 2001	"
26	NJOKU, SAMUEL	"	"	AUG. 28, 2001	"
27	AMAECHI, AMAECHI B.	"	CL. OFFICER	AUG. 24, 2001	"
28	EKEOPARA, CHRISTIAN	"	"	SEPT. 27, 2001	"
29	ENERENWA, KEMAKOLAM J.	"	"	SEPT. 3, 2001	"
30	EZEKWE, JOY	"	"	AUG. 20, 2001	"
31	HEGBU, CLUKWUNYI-RE J.	"	"	"	"
32	IROGBU, ESTHER	"	"	"	"
33	NDUKWE, JOY	"	"	"	"
34	NJEMANZE, IKECHUKWU	"	"	AUG. 20, 2001	"
35	NJOKU, KELECHI C.	"	"	AUG. 17, 2001	"
36	NKWOCHA, ADIBE J.	"	"	AUG. 21, 2001	"
37	NKWOCHA, VINCENT	"	"	SEPT. 3, 2001	"
38	NWOGU, CHIOMA F.	"	"	AUG. 29, 2001	"
39	NWOKOCHA, JUDITH I.	"	"	AUG. 20, 2001	"
40	NWORGU, LEVI	"	"	AUG. 31, 2001	"
41	NZEH, OLUCHI L.	"	"	SEPT. 1, 2001	"
42	OKOLO, PATIENCE	"	"	SEPT. 17, 2001	"
43	OKPE, CAROL E.	"	"	AUG. 22, 2001	"
44	ONYIMA, UCHE	"	"	AUG. 21, 2001	"
45	UZOAGWA, GOODLUCK	"	"	AUG. 27, 2001	"
46	ABANA, NNEOMA	REGISTRY	CLERICAL ASST.	AUG. 27, 2001	"

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47	AGAMMEGWA, MICHAEL	REGISTRY	CLERICAL ASST.	SEPT. 4, 2001	TENURE
48	AGWU, HENRY	"	"	AUG. 27, 2001	"
49	AJAYI, NKECHINYERE F.	"	"	AUG. 23, 2001	"
50	ANUMKUA, ROSELINE N.	"	"	"	"
51	EMELE, RACHAEL	"	"	AUG. 20, 2001	"
52	EMESURUMONYE, HELEN C.	"	"	"	"
53	EMEZIEM, ANTHONY	"	"	AUG. 23, 2001	"
54	EVULEOCHA, ROWLANDA	"	"	AUG. 21, 2001	"
55	EZEKWE, REGINA E.	"	"	AUG. 24, 2001	"
56	GBARUKO, GRACE O.	"	"	"	"
57	IBE, RITA I.	REGISTRY	CLERICAL ASST.	AUG. 20, 2001	TENURE
58	IBI-ZIMAKOR, CHINYERE	"	"	"	"
59	IGBOKWE, ATHANATIUS I.	"	"	AUG. 21, 2001	"
60	IGWEZE, PATIENCE	"	"	"	"
61	ISIAKPENA, CHARLES	"	"	AUG. 20, 2001	"
62	NKWOCHA, DANIEL	"	"	AUG. 20, 2001	"
63	NNADI, MONICA	"	"	AUG. 22, 2001	"
64	NWABUZOR, ROLAND	"	"	SEPT. 3, 2001	"
65	NWOKOMA, INNOCENT J.	"	"	AUG. 21, 2001	"
66	OKERE, EMMANUEL	REGISTRY	CLERICAL ASST.	AUG. 28, 2001	TENURE
67	OKEKE, NKOLIKA G.	"	"	AUG. 21, 2001	"
68	ONU, EZICHI	"	"	AUG. 27, 2001	"
69	ONWERE, IMMACULATA ✓	"	"	AUG. 20, 2001	"
70	ONWUZURIKE, COLLIN E.	"	"	AUG. 23, 2001	"
71	ONYEMA, JULIANS H.	"	"	SEPT. 3, 2001	"
72	ONYEOCHA, MABEL	"	"	AUG. 20, 2001	"
73	ORISAKWE, CHIDINMA	"	"	AUG. 21, 2001	"
74	UNAEGBU, JULIET	"	"	AUG. 20, 2001	"
75	ONUOHA, HELEN O.	BURSARY	ACCOUNTANT I	AUG. 8, 2001	TENURE
76	NWADIKE, EBERE	"	ACCOUNTANT II	AUG. 6, 2001	"
77	OBIDI, UCHIE E.	"	"	AUG. 13, 2001	"
78	ODOH, CHIDIEBERE N.	"	"	AUG. 31, 2001	"
79	OPARA, CHIDIEBERE	"	H/O (ACCOUNTS)	AUG. 9, 2001	"
80	ONONUJU, LILIAN	HEALTH SERVICES	STAFF NURSE/MID W	MARCH 19, 2001	"
81	NWACHUKWU, JONATHAN	ESTATE & WORKS	DRIVER / MECH	JUNE 1, 2001	"
82	MBATA, SALOME	IPRP	PHOTO. ASST.	SEPT. 20, 2001	"
83	DURUNNA, CHUKWUMA E.	ANIMAL SCIENCE	LECTURER I	OCT. 2, 2001	CONTRACT
84	NWACHUKWU, DOMINIC	ESTATE & WORKS	PLUMBER/ELECTR	JUNE 19, 2001	"

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	NAME	DEPT/UNIT	RANK	DATE OF ASSUMPTION	NATURE OF APPOINTMENT
1.	AGU, CLIFFORD M. (DR)	CROP SCIENCE	LECTURER I	FEB. 8, 1999	TENURE
2.	NJOKU, PAUL C. (DR)	ENVIRONMENTAL TECH.	"	MARCH 5, 2001	TEMPORARY
3.	NNADI, FLORENTUS N.	AGRIC. ECNS & EXT.	"	APRIL 1, 2001	TENURE
4.	OJIAKO, OKEY A	BIO. SCIENCES	"	SEPT. 8, 2000	"
5.	UKPONGSON, MATHEW A.	AGRIC. ECNS & EXT.	LECTURER II	JAN. 5, 2001	"
6.	CHIKWE, ANTHONY O.	PETROLEUM ENG.	"	FEB. 26, 2001	"
7.	ADESOPÉ, OLUFEMI M.	AGRIC. ECNS & EXT.	ASST. LECTURER	MARCH 1, 2001	"
8.	ANYA, COLLINS	CIVIL ENG.	"	MARCH 19, 2001	"
9.	NWOYE, CHUKWUKA	MAT/MET. ENG.	"	FEB. 19, 2001	"
10.	ODIBUKWE, STELLA N.	AGRIC. ECNS & EXT.	"	APRIL 1, 2001	TENURE
11.	OGALOGU, NGOZI F.	ANIMAL SCIENCE	"	JULY 27, 1998	"
12.	OGUEKE, NNAMDI V.	MECHANICAL ENG.	"	SEPT. 6, 2001	"
13.	AMADI, SAMUEL U.	PETROLEUM ENG.	GRADUATE ASST.	JAN. 11, 2001	"
14.	OPARA, RAYMOND O.	ELECT. & ELECT. ENG.	RESEARCH ASST.	FEB. 15, 2001	"
15.	NJEMANZE, EDWARD C.	REGISTRY	ASST. REGISTRAR	MAY 15, 2001	"

	NAME	DEPT/UNIT	RANK	DATE OF ASSUMPTION	NATURE OF APPOINTMENT
16.	NJOKU, NGOZI	REGISTRY	ASST. REGISTRAR	MAY 11, 2001	TENURE
17.	OKANY, ADAEZE N.	"	"	MAY 11, 2001	"
18.	AMACHI, CHINWEUBA	"	ADMIN. OFFICER	APRIL 2, 2001	TEMPORARY
19.	CHIEDO, DENNIS A.	"	"	MAY 17, 2001	TENURE
20.	CHIKWENDU, CHINWE	"	"	JUNE 4, 2001	"
21.	CHIOMA, GLORIA I.	"	"	MAY 14, 2001	"
22.	DIALA, BENJAMIN U.	"	"	MAY 15, 2001	"
23.	EJIOFOR, DANIEL	"	"	MAY 11, 2001	"
24.	EKE, RAYMOND	"	"	MAY 14, 2001	"
25.	EKEMEZIE, BLESSING	REGISTRY	"	MAY 14, 2001	"
26.	EWURUM, JULIAN	"	"	MAY 10, 2001	"
27.	NJOKU, ANTHONY	"	"	MAY 14, 2001	"
28.	NJOKU, BEDE	"	"	MAY 10, 2001	"
29.	OKORO, CHRISTOPHER	"	"	MAY 10, 2001	TENURE
30.	OKORO, LINDA C.	"	"	MAY 11, 2001	"
31.	OSUJI, SAMUEL	"	"	MAY 28, 2001	"
32.	AKAGHA, GODSON	"	ADMIN. ASST.	MAY 10, 2001	"
33.	ANOLIFEO, OBIANUJU	REGISTRY	"	MAY 10, 2001	TENURE
34.	ANYANWU, JOVITA	"	"	MAY 11, 2001	"
35.	EKE, FELIX	"	"	MAY 14, 2001	"
36.	EZEDINMA, UGONNA E.	"	"	MAY 10, 2001	"
37.	EZENWA, FLORENCE	"	"	MAY 14, 2001	"
38.	IWUAGWU, UCHE	"	"	MAY 14, 2001	"
39.	IWUCHUKWU, CHIDI K.	"	"	MAY 11, 2001	"
40.	MATHIWS, FRANKLIN C.	"	"	MAY 7, 2001	"
41.	NJOKU, CHITURU V.	"	"	MAY 10, 2001	"
42.	NJOKU, STANLEY U.	"	"	MAY 10, 2001	"
43.	NWOSU, PEACE	REGISTRY	ADMIN ASST.	MAY 10, 2001	TENURE
44.	NWOSU, PROMISE	"	"	MAY 11, 2001	"
45.	NZEDADIBE, ROSE	"	"	MAY 15, 2001	"
46.	OKORI-AFFIA, OBASI	"	"	MAY 10, 2001	"
47.	OSUJI, CHINELO	"	"	MAY 14, 2001	"
48.	EZEANI, CHINELO	"	HIGHER EX OFFICER	JUNE 18, 2001	"
49.	EZIOUSA, ANGELA N.	"	"	JUNE 19, 2001	"
50.	NWEKE, GRACE	"	"	JUNE 14, 2001	"
51.	OBI, UKACHI	"	"	JUNE 18, 2001	"
52.	OKIAGU, CHINYERE	"	"	JUNE 15, 2001	"
53.	AHMED, MARYAM T.	REGISTRY	EX OFFICER	JUNE 12, 2001	TENURE
54.	ONYEWUCHI, STEVE	"	"	JUNE 18, 2001	"
55.	NIOKU, FIDELIS O.	BURSARY	ACCOUNTANT I	APRIL 2, 2001	TEMPORARY
56.	EGWIM, CHIDI (DR)	HEALTH SERVICES	SNR. MED. OFFICER II	MARCH 13, 2001	TENURE
57.	EMELLE, HYACINTH (DR)	"	MED. OFFICER	MARCH 19, 2001	"
58.	IWUAGWU, JOHN U.K (DR)	"	"	MARCH 12, 2001	"
59.	NWUFO, CHINYERE	"	ACNO	MARCH 16, 2001	"
60.	ANYANWU, LILIAN	"	STAFF NURSE/MID W.	MARCH 19, 2001	"
61.	EMEAKAROHA, UDOCHI	"	"	JUNE 6, 2001	"
62.	ESINWALI, QUEEN E.	HEALTH SERVICES	"	MARCH 20, 2001	TENURE
63.	NJOKU, SCHOLASTICA	"	"	MARCH 19, 2001	"
64.	NNEKE, GLORIA	"	"	MARCH 16, 2001	"
65.	ONYIRIOHA, MAUREEN	HEALTH SERVICES	"	MARCH 20, 2001	"
66.	OPARA, JOY A	"	"	MARCH 26, 2001	"
67.	AKAGHA, CATHERINE	"	WARD ATTENDANT	APRIL 30, 2001	"
68.	ANYANWU, PETER	CATERING	HEAD STEWARD	FEB. 1, 2001	TEMPORARY
69.	ASHIEGBU, KENNETH	STUDENT AFFAIRS	PORTER	FEB. 5, 2001	"
70.	DANIELS, CHRISTOPHER	"	"	MAY 26 2001	"
71.	EBOH, TOBIAS	"	"	FEB. 5, 2001	"
72.	EGEGAMUKA, CHRISTIAN	"	"	FEB. 12, 2001	"
73.	EJIOFOR, PAULINUS	"	"	MARCH 26, 2001	"
74.	NWACHUKWU, ANTHONY	"	"	FEB. 20, 2001	"
75.	OGUOMA, UZOMA	"	"	FEB. 5, 2001	"
76.	CHUKWU, HELEN I.	"	PORTRESS	FEB. 5, 2001	"
77.	EGBUKICHI, EBERECHI	"	"	"	"
78.	ELUMELU, EBELE	"	"	"	TEMPORARY

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79. NWOSU, SYLVERIA I.	STUDENT AFFAIRS	PORTRESS	MARCH 23, 2001	TENURE
80. OGBONNA, CHARITY	"	"	MARCH 1, 2001	"
81. OKAM, JULIANA O.	"	"	FEB. 5, 2001	"
82. ACHINIHU, DANDISON	ESTATE & WORKS	DRIVER/MECH	MAY 23, 2001	"
83. AHURUONYE, C.	"	"	MAY 22, 2001	"
84. ANOZIE, CLIFFORD O.	"	"	MAY 23, 2001	"
85. EGWIM, CYRIL	"	"	MAY 23, 2001	"
86. NDIWE, ANTHONY	"	"	MAY 24, 2001	"
87. NWAGBARA, PAUL	"	"	MAY 28, 2001	"
88. OKERE, DONATUS	"	"	JUNE 1, 2001	"
89. OKPE, EMMANUEL	"	"	MAY 24, 2001	"
90. ONUOHA, FELIX M.	"	"	MAY 28, 2001	"
91. ONYEAGORO, HAMILTON	"	"	JUNE 1, 2001	"
92. OPARAOCHA, CHIMEZIE	"	"	MAY 24, 2001	"
93. ONYEAGWALAM, NATHANIEL	"	CRAFTSMAN	SEPT. 25, 2000	"
94. EKE, MARTIN	ANIMAL SCIENCE	FARM HAND	APRIL 10, 2001	"
95. AGBAL, ANDY O.	MATHS/ COMPU.	SNR. LECTURER	MARCH 29, 2001	SABBATICAL
96. NWOSU, ROSELINE	STAFF SCHOOL	SNR. MASTER	APRIL 9, 2001	CONTRACT
97. DURUJI, FLORENCE O.	"	MASTER I	MARCH 26, 2001	"

CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS

The appointments of the underlisted members of staff have been confirmed with effect from the dates indicated against their names.

S/NO	NAME	DEPT/UNIT	RANK	DATE OF CONFIRMATION
1	NWUNNEH, GRACE	STAFF/SCHOOL	MASTER II	AUG. 19, 2000
2	DIKE, BEATRICE	"	ASST. MISTRESS	"
3	MBAKWE, MADU I.	MAT/MET. ENG.	TECH. I	JUNE 24, 2000
4	MBANEFO, RITA C.	CROP SCIENCE	HIGHER AGRIC. SUP'T.	JUNE 1, 2000

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The Vice-Chancellor has approved a one year Leave of Absence with effect from June 12, 2001 for Prof. (Mrs) T. Y. Obah of the General Studies Unit.

FUTO News wishes Prof. (Mrs) Obah a fruitful Leave of Absence.

RETURN FROM LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the reabsorption after Leave of Absence of Engr. Ignatius Nwokoro of the Department of Transport Management Technology with effect from August 1, 2001.

SABBATICAL LEAVE

The Vice-Chancellor has approved one year Sabbatical Leave with effect from July 1, 2001 for Dr. J.I. Lemchi of the Department of Agricultural Economics and Extension

RE-ABSORPTION

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the reinstatement of Miss Mabel Nonye Emeronye on her post of Clerical Officer with effect from July 1, 2001 after her successful completion of a four year course at the University of Uyo.

RENEWAL OF CONTRACT APPOINTMENT

The Vice-Chancellor has also approved the Contract Appointment of Mr. A.B. Ofulume as Senior Lecturer in the Department of Geology with effect from March 9, 2001.

The Contract Appointment of Mr. Sabinus Anyanwu of the Security Unit as Patrol Supervisor has also been renewed for a period of two years with effect from October 1, 2001.

CHANGE OF NAMES

MRS CHINYERE JUDITH UZOMA

I, Miss Chinyere Judith Mbaoma of Department of Health Services (Nursing Section) wish to be known and addressed as Mrs Chinyere Judith Uzoma. All documents bearing my former names still remain valid. FUTO Community and general public are to please take note.

MRS JUDITH IJEOMA UGOH – ONWUKWUE

Miss Judith Amadi of Management Information System Unit, now wishes to be addressed and known as Mrs Judith Ijeoma Ugoh-Onwukwe.

All documents bearing her former names remain valid. FUTO Community and the public please note.

RESIGNATION OF APPOINTMENT

The Registrar of FUTO has formally accepted the resignation of Mr. C.U. Odikagbue, a watchman with the Security Unit of the University.

His resignation took effect from June 30, 2001. FUTO News wishes him best of luck in his future endeavours.

DEATH

Mrs. Judith Ibironke Orebiyi, the mother of Dr. J.S. Orebiyi, Acting HOD, Agricultural Economics and Extension, died on Saturday August 4, 2001 at the age of 68. Her remains has been buried at her hometown, Ogbé, West Yagba Local Government Area of Kogi State.

May her gentle soul rest in perfect peace.

FUTONews condoles with Dr. Orebiyi on his bereavement.

BIRTH

Mr. Stephen Alaoma Ukaegbu, Chief Driver in the Security Unit of the Office of the Vice-Chancellor, was on Sunday, May 27, 2001 blessed with a baby boy.

FUTO News welcomes the new baby boy and congratulates Mr. and Mrs. Ukaegbu.

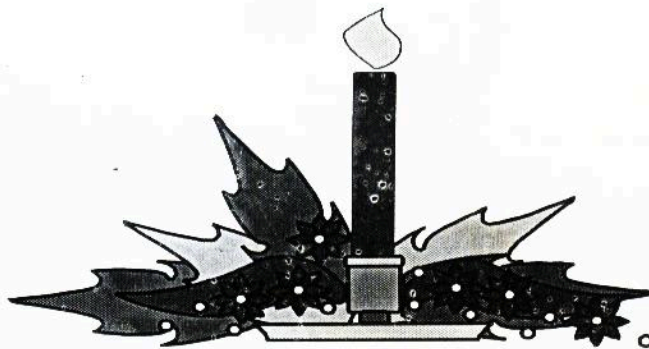
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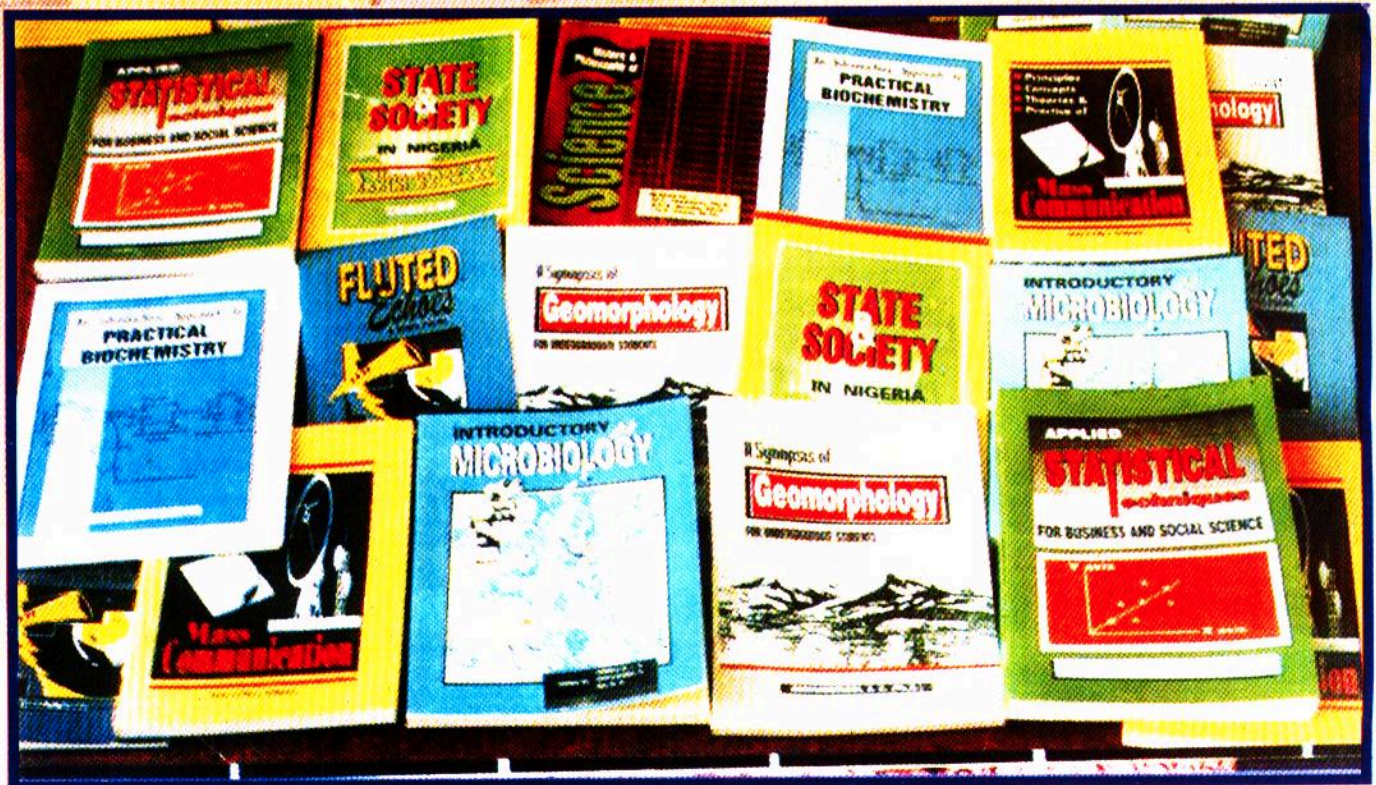
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