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ABUSE OF THE AMBULANCE THROUGH FRIVOLOUS TELEPHONE CALLS

By a memorandum coded UHS.19 of 4 March, 2016, the Director, University Health Service (UHS), drew the attention of the Vice-Chancellor and Management to the abuse of the ambulance through frivolous telephone calls.

He specifically brought the following incidents on the above to the Vice-Chancellor's attention:

- i. At 11:36 p.m. on 01/04/2016, a call for the Ambulance came from a purported student of Nnamdi Azikwe Hall using the Number 08072405860. However, when contacted by the Medical Team after arriving Zik Hall, the caller replied it was a joke in commemoration of April Fool's day.
- ii. About 45 minutes after (i) above, another call came from a purported student of Independence Hall who claimed he witnessed a student who slumped while passing by Obafemi Awolowo Hall.

Again, the caller claimed it was in celebration of the fool's day when contacted by the Medical Team on arrival at Awo Hall. Further scrutiny revealed both calls were from the same Number i.e. 08072405860.

It needs to be noted, in this regard, that each time the Ambulance leaves the Health Centre or is occupied in another assignment, another person (who may be in greater distress) is being deprived of its use.

Staff and students are hereby warned not to make spurious calls for the Ambulance and ensure that all calls made are for genuine purposes.

The caller from 08072405860 is, hereby warned, to desist from this unacceptable conduct in his/her own interest.

Thank you.

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