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Prof Joseph Advocates Accommodative, Home Grown Federal System By Mustafa Ibrahim & Lamara Garba

International History and a specialist in transition politics in Africa, has expressed concern over the return of hate speech among Nigerian citizens belonging to different parts of the federation and over sensational reporting in the media, leading to threats of "pulling out" and "expulsion" by and against a particular Community, which sadly looked similar to the upsurge of same in the political discourse of the USA.

He equally advocated for a federal system that meets the needs of Nigerians, as there is no ideal federal system but every country has to work out what suits its needs, as seen in varied models in India, Switzerland and South Africa.

The University Don, who teaches politics at the Northwestern University, Illinois, USA, said the terms "fiscal federalism", "true federalism" and "restructuring" were unhelpful in advancing the current national discourse. Rather, "rebalancing", "reconfiguring", "redesigning" and "re-federalizing" were better suited for promoting understanding and accommodation in this era of national insecurities. Politics is "never do or die", but politicians should believe that "you live to compete another day", he added.

Prof. Joseph was speaking at a public lecture jointly organized by Mambayya House, Aminu Kano Centre for Democratic Research and Training and the Department of Political Science, Bayero University, Kano, on Monday, 12th June, 2017. He spoke on the topic: Electoral Democracy and Integrity in Nigeria: Reflections on INEC's Transformation, 2011 and 2015.

The visiting scholar urged Nigerians to be united in upholding their resolve of "never again" to a repeat of the 12th June, 1993 annulment of the presidential election won by the duo of Chief Moshood Abiola and Babagana Kingibe, following which unfortunately there was a "fractured" response to the event due to the crisis of "national identity".

rofessor Richard Joseph, a John Evans Professor of The Chairman of the occasion, Prof. Professor Attahiru M. Jega, OFR, Department of Political Science, Bayero University, Kano and the former INEC Chairman, praised the speaker for provoking thoughts on building a viable federation. He also urged Nigerians to have dispassionate discussions, talking sensibly and be accommodative of other citizens on the issue of re-federalizing, institution building and developing a framework for good governance capable of withstanding "the recklessness of the political class".

> Prof. Jega admitted that INEC, during his tenure, achieved financial autonomy via a first line charge on the consolidated revenue fund, which empowered it to take charge of the election timetable and its other proactive policies designed to promote free and fair elections. He lamented that the executive branch did not implement the Uwais Commission recommendation that all nominees for the Chairmanship of INEC be submitted to the Judicial Service Commission for screening down to three only, who would then be sent to the National Council of State (NCS). The NCS then sends one name through the executive branch to the Senate for confirmation, a process that might insulate the process from political vagaries.

> Others who made passionate contributions after the lecture included: Dr. Junaidu Mohammed, a veteran politician; Dr. Malumfashi, Political Science Department; Dr. Musa Auyo, University Librarian; Dr. Nasir Fagge, Director CRER; Prof. Sule Bello, Department of Political Science, ABU and Prof. Abdullahi Sule Kano, Director, DRIP.

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From right: Prof. Haruna Wakili, Director AKCDRT, Mambayya House, Prof. Attahiru Jega, the immediate past INEC Chairman and the Chairman of the Lecture (standing), Professor Richard Joseph, the Guest Lecturer and Prof. Bawa Gusau

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Super Eagles Players Ahmed Musa, Shehu Abdullahi Visit Vice Chancellor

By Nura Garba

wo famous Super Eagles of Nigeria players, Ahmed Musa and Shehu Abdullahi, have paid a visit to the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, in his office.

Ahmed Musa, who plies his trade in Leicester City of England and Shehu Abdullahi, who plays for Anorthosis Famagusta of Cyprus were accompanied by the Director of Sports, Professor Rabiu Mohammed, Deputy Director, Technical, Malam Tijjani Salisu Said and coaches, as well as staff of the Directorate to the Vice Chancellor's office in the afternoon on Wednesday, 14th June, 2017.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, expressed appreciation over the visit and wished the players well in their football career.

In an interview, Ahmed Musa expressed his displeasure

over the Super Eagles' loss to the Bafana Bafana of South Africa for the first time in a competitive game, but admitted that they would overcome the loss and beat Libya and Seychelles to qualify for Africa Cup of Nations in 2018.

The former Super Eagles Captain, who commissioned the Ahmed Musa Fitness Centre in Kano, said the Centre was to help young talents to develop. He called on Bayero University to also redouble efforts to boost the sporting activities by providing more facilities for students.

When asked about his recent donation to the less privileged, the former Kano Pillars forward said it was not a new thing to him, as he had been in the forefront of helping the downtrodden in order to inspire them to help others in the future.



Ahmed Musa (2nd left) being flanked by the Vice Chancellor, Prof. M. Y. Bello (3rd left), Director of Sports, Prof. Rabi'u Mohd (3rd right), Shehu Abdullahi (2nd right), Malam Tijjani Salisu Sa'id (right) and Sunusi Shu'aibu (left) at the VC's Office

Together We Make CAMRAT a leading Research Centre

...Prof Galadanci By Lamara Garba & Rabi'u M. Sagir

The Centre for Advanced Medical Research and Training (CAMRAT) has conducted a sensitization workshop with the aim of boosting and encouraging its staff and university community to enhance and promote research and training.

The Director of the Centre, Prof. Hadiza Galadanci, in her address at the opening workshop on Thursday 8th June, 2017, explained that the purpose of establishing the centre was to conduct relevant

research into health problems as well as to facilitate training registered postgraduate researchers and conduct short term training for academics and professionals in medical and allied professions in the University.

Prof Galadanci also advised the staff of the centre to maximally utilize the equipment available within the centre. She added that it was the desire of the management to make CAMRAT a leading centre in



medical research in the country.

Also speaking, the Deputy Director of the centre, Dr. Ibrahim M Nashabaru, stated that the main objective of CAMRAT was to help in facilitating quality medical research through a multidisciplinary approach in solving societal health problems, as well as in conducting

excellent clinical researches that were congruent with the community's aspiration in addressing and ushering responsibility and sustainability in research practice in Nigeria.

In his remarks, the former provost of the College of Health Sciences, Professor Abdulrazaq Garba Habib, suggested that the University to have a research clusters among the staff who would concentrate on research only.

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APPOINTMENT & RE-APPOINTMENTS

Dr. Suleiman Abdul-Rasheed, Faculty of Dentistry

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello has approved the appointment of Dr. Suleiman Abdul-Rasheed as Faculty Assistant Examination Officer, Faculty of Dentistry for a two-year term, in the first instance, with immediate effect.

Dr. Adeoye Joshua is Sub-Dean Faculty of Dentistry

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello has approved the appointment of Dr. Adeoye Joshua of Faculty of Dentistry as Sub-Dean, Faculty of Dentistry for a two-year term, in the first instance, with immediate effect.

Dr. Omeje Kelvin Appointed Deputy Dean

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello has approved the appointment of Dr. Omeje Kelvin of Faculty of Dentistry as Deputy Dean, Faculty of Dentistry for a two-year term, in the first instance, with immediate effect.

Professor Sule Kano Re-appointed Director DRIP

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello has approved the re-appointment of Professor Abdullahi Sule Kano as the Director of the Directorate of Research, Innovation & Partnership for another period of two years with effect from 1st June, 2017.

Dr. Abubakar Kaura Appointed Sub-Dean, Environment and Facilities

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello has approved the appointment of Dr. Abubakar Muhammad Kaura of the Department of Dentistry as the Sub-Dean (Environment and Facilities), Faculty of Life Sciences for a two-year term, in the first instance, with effect from 1st June, 2017.

Dr. Ado Abdulfatah is Chairman, Technical Evaluation Tenders Board

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello has approved the appointment of Dr. Ado Yusuf Abdulfatah as the **Chairman** of the **Technical Evaluation Sub-Committee** of the **Tenders Board** for a period of **one year** in the first instance with effect from 1st June, 2017–31st May, 2018.

Other members of the Committee and their various roles are:

S/N	Name	Department	Role	Designation
1	Dr. Ali Ahmed Yakasai	Lab Managements	Guide on Equipment	Member
2	Rabi'u Dauda	Procurement Unit	Head, Capital Projects	Member
3	Engr. Ismail Abubakar U.	MSD	Engineer	Member
4	Arch M. A. Danmaraya	PPU	Architect	Member
5	Engr Hamza Kabir	PPU	Engineer	Member
6	Qs. Shehu Adamu	PPU	QS	Member
7	Representative	User Department	Guide on Requirements	Member
8	Rabi'u Hussain Sagagi	Procurement Unit	C/Procurement Officer	Member/Secretary

Senior Staff Recreation Centre: Sallah Festival for Children

The Senior Staff Recreation Centre, Bayero University, Kano organizes Sallah Festival for children aged between 1 and 15.

The ceremony will feature traditional musicians such as Koroso Dancers, who will entertain the children. Also, there will be different types of games, such as table tennis, basketball, handball, ludo, e.t.c, in which the interested children can participate.

Additionally, the Centre will conduct quiz among children from different schools, and prizes are up for grabs for the

In a statement signed by the Secretary to the Centre, Malam Nura Garba, free drinks and other items will be distributed to all the children who participate at the ceremony.

The sale of tickets will commence from 20th June, 2017 at Albarka Restaurant, Old Campus and Senior Staff Recreation Centre, New Site, opposite Faculty of Communication at N500 per child.

The ceremony is scheduled for Wednesday, 28th June, 2017.

For more information, you can call the following numbers: 07035020219, 08099478490, 08034000937, 08033525441.

2017 PROMOTION EXERCISE

This is to inform the Provost, College of Health Sciences, Deans of Faculties, all Directors and all Heads of Department/Unit that the following Time-Table for the 2017 Promotion Exercise is approved for their compliance, according a statement signed by the Director Establishment Matters, Malam Jamilu Salim.

S/N	DATE	ACTIVITY	
1.	Friday 21st July, 2017	Latest Date for Departmental and Faculty	
		A&PCs Meetings.	
2.	Thursday 27 th July, 2017	Latest Date for Departments to make	
		Submissions to the Secretariat.	
3.	Friday 28th July to Wednesday 9th August, 2017	Secretariat to Collate all Submissions and	
		Draw Timetable.	
4.	Monday 14 th - Friday 18 th August, 2017	Central A&PC to Meet and Consider the	
		cases.	

Heads of Department should please note the following:

- That staff to be recommended for promotions must have served for at least three years in their positions by 30th September, 2017 and their appointments duly confirmed.
- That cases of administrative staff in various Faculties/Departments should be routed through the Registry Departmental Appointments and Promotions and General Purposes Committee.
- That cases of Bursary Staff/Stores Officers in various Faculties/Departments should be routed through the Bursary Department.
- That cases of Librarians and Library Officers in various Faculties/Departments should be routed through the University Librarian.
- Cases of Academic Staff and Technologist must pass through the Departmental and Faculty A&PC and Minutes of Meeting of the Faculty Appointments and Promotions Committee should be attached to the recommendations.
- Academic Staff on approved Study Fellowship could be promoted up to the rank of Lecturer I or equivalent, provided that he/she would not be promoted twice in one study fellowship period.
- All submissions should be strictly based on the extant guidelines for the appropriate cadres. Faculties, Departments/Units are to forward twelve (12) copies of their submissions to the Director, Establishment Matters not later than Thursday 27th July, 2017.

Notice of Commencement of Bayero University Bus Ticketing System

The Student's Affairs Division commenced the Bus Ticketing System on 12th June, 2017. A statement signed by Dr. Hajara Umar Sanda, Deputy Dean, (Female) said students and commuters can purchase their Bus Tickets from the followings:-

- 1. Students Affairs Office, BUK New Campus from Khadija Mahmoud 08037749823
- 2. BUK New Campus Bus Stop from Mahmud B. Mahmud 08036097058
- 3. Nana Hall BUK Old Campus from Maryam Abdullahi 08060480286
- 4. BUK Old Campus stop from Lawan Mansur 08069404660

The statement advised students and commuters to make sure that they purchase bus tickets only from the above designated staff.

