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PRESS RELEASE - IRO RIOTOUS CONDUCT AT FBC

The Management of the University of Sierra Leone wishes to inform the public about the disciplinary actions taken against the students who were involved in the riotous conduct at Fourah Bay College (FBC), University of Sierra Leone on 23rd and 24th September 2020.

The FBC Administration received complaints on 23rd September 2020 against some students who unlawfully disrupted the Examination process for the Second Semester of the 2019/20 academic year. The aforesaid students refused to pay and register for the 2019/2020 academic year. As a result of their non compliance with the instructions from the Deputy Registrar to pay their fees, they were peacefully asked to leave the Examination Hall.

Unfortunately, some of the students pelted stones on other law abiding students and invigilators leading to the injury of their colleagues, one of whom, a pregnant student, had to be rushed to the hospital for emergency treatment as a result of the incident. They also vandalized college property.

The College Discipline Committee investigated the matter thoroughly in accordance with the Universities Act 2005 and other related rules and regulations of the University of Sierra Leone. The findings and the recommendations of the Discipline Committee were also submitted to the Legal retainers of the University for Legal Advice.

The Management has therefore resolved as follows in accordance with the Universities Act 2005 and other related regulations of the University of Sierra Leone:

Expulsion of "Category A" culprits -

10(ten) Students

Rustication of - "Category B" culprit(s) -

1(one) Student

Cash Fines levied against "Category C" culprits - 183 (One hundred and eighty three) students

The University Registrar will officially write to each of the culprits. These students have the opportunity to appeal to the University Court, through the Pro-Chancellor of USL.

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