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CLARITY ON THE PUBLICISED UNIVERSITY SENATE EXECUTIVE DECISION TO PROGRESS ALL FIRST YEAR STUDENTS

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Following the online publication relating to first year students' progression by the Sunday Standard Newspaper on the 20th January 2024, the University management would like to clarify that the decision was yet to be considered by the University Senate as recommended by the Senate Executive and therefore not yet final. The Senate Executive decisions are not final decisions to the extent that they need further approval by University Senate.

BIUST continues to maintain its rigorous high academic standards in line with established laws statutes and policies.

Members of the University Community and general public are enjoined to completely disregard the report and note that the recommendation from the Senate Executive Committee shared with the University staff and students was forwarded to the University Senate for consideration.

All students will be progressed in accordance with the established pre-requisites set by law, the regulatory institutions and the University Senate.

Please be reassured of the University's commitment to its mandate and the University regrets the anxiety the publication has caused to the public, students and our stakeholders in general.

About BIUST: The Botswana International University of Science and Technology (BIUST) was established by an Act of Parliament (Act CAP 57:05) as a research-intensive University and the only specialised University in Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM). BIUST is renowned for its academic excellence, research programs, and commitment to innovation. The University has positioned itself to be one of the key drivers for transforming Botswana's economy from a resource-based to a knowledge-driven economy. Not only is the country now able to produce its own scientists and engineers, BIUST has also developed a strong academic value chain comprising of teaching & learning, research & innovation, and engagement for development.

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