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1. STAFF MATTERS

1.1. NEW APPOINTMENTS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POST</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>
Mr. J.I. Kanyamario	Tutorial Fellow	Botany
Dr. F.A. Ndemo	Tutorial Fellow	Pharmacy
Dr. Nzau-Muimi	Tutorial Fellow	Medicine
Dr. K.O. Sigu	Tutorial Fellow	Medicine
Dr. M.H. Butt	Tutorial Fellow	Dental Surgery
Dr. M.J. Chindia	Tutorial Fellow	Dental Surgery
Mr. George K. Ngugi	Tutorial Fellow	Meteorology
Mrs. M.L. Ebangit	Assistant Lecturer	Community Health
Dr. E. Keleta	Lecturer	Economics
Mr. S.M. Kimuyu	Lecturer	Architecture
Mr. M.K. Mang'oli	Lecturer	Electrical Engineering
Dr. E.A. Afari	Lecturer	Community Health
Mr. W.F. Mwalukware	Lecturer	Architecture
Dr. G.J. Consolomaguo	Lecturer	Physics
Dr. G.M. Mwabu	Lecturer	Economics
Dr. V. Jethwa	Lecturer	Electrical Engineering
Mr. John Arimi	Lecturer	Electrical Engineering
Dr. C.N. Kotei	Lecturer	Diagnostic Radiology
Dr. D. Orinda	Lecturer	Paediatrics
Dr. W.M. Nabakwe	Lecturer	Philosophy

1.2. PROMOTIONS

Mr. E.K. Kazungu	Assistant Lecturer	Linguistics & African Languages
Mr. O. Okoth-Okombo	Lecturer	Linguistics & African Languages
Mr. G.P. Arap Chepkurui	Lecturer	Business Administration
Mr. M. Churchil Kibisu	Lecturer	Business Administration
Mr. Zeke Waweru	Lecturer	School of Journalism
Miss W.F. Gatechah	Lecturer	Business Administration
Mr. Martin Ogutu	Lecturer	Business Administration

1.3. RE-APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Q.B. Misango	Tutorial Fellow	Mechanical Engineering
Mr. P.M. Muchiri	Tutorial Fellow	Biochemistry
Mr. J.M. Khalagai	Tutorial Fellow	Mathematics
Miss Y.W. Kamau	Tutorial Fellow	Accounting
Dr. J.K. Gathuru	Tutorial Fellow	Biochemistry
Dr. G.O. Owiti	Tutorial Fellow	Veterinary Anatomy
Mr. R.K. Omwami	Tutorial Fellow	Forestry
Mr. C. Odegi Awuondo	Tutorial Fellow	Sociology

1.3. RE-APPOINTMENTS (cont'd)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POST</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>
Mr. H. Ochieng Kojwang	Tutorial Fellow	Forestry
Miss Elizabeth Shah	Tutorial Fellow	Physics
Mr. J.W. Mwangi	Tutorial Fellow	Pharmacy
Dr. S. Njoroge	Tutorial Fellow	Human Anatomy
Dr. P.M.F. Mbithi	Tutorial Fellow	Clinical Studies
Mr. G. Kiragu Njiru	Tutorial Fellow	Agricultural Economics
Mrs. W.W. Mutitu	Assistant Lecturer	Crop Science
Mrs. H.W. Kinoti	Assistant Lecturer	Religious Studies
Mr. J.K. Kateregga	Research Fellow	H.R.D.U.
Dr. S.G. Gatere	Lecturer	Psychiatry
Dr. A.R. Taylor	Lecturer	Botany
Dr. P.E. Coughlin	Lecturer	Economics
Dr. H. Schlemper	Visiting Lecturer	Linguistics & African Languages
Mr. G.E. Kayondo	Lecturer	Electrical Engineering
Dr. V.J. Turkish	Lecturer	Paediatrics
Dr. M. Mugenyi	Lecturer	Government
Dr. D. Mazzeo	Lecturer	Government
Dr. C.W. Mullins	Senior Lecturer	Mathematics
Dr. D. Widdowson	Senior Lecturer	Botany
Mr. R.A. Caukwell	Senior Lecturer	Surveying & Photogrammetry
Dr. T.G. Visweswaraiya	Senior Lecturer	Civil Engineering
Dr. K. S. Rangasami	Senior Lecturer	Civil Engineering
Dr. C.S. Kigundu	Senior Research Fellow	Obstetrics & Gynaecology

1.4. RESIGNATIONS/EXPIRY OF CONTRACTS

Mr. D.M. Kabagambe	Lecturer	Urban & Regional Planning
Dr. R.M. Nyonyintono	Lecturer	Sociology
Dr. P. Walji	Lecturer	Sociology
Dr. V. Mvano	Lecturer	Economics
Mr. Z.T. Ngcakani	Lecturer	Civil Engineering
Dr. S. Ghaley	Clinician	Clinical Studies
Dr. E. Valberg	Lecturer	Philosophy
Mr. S.J. Kibathi	Lecturer	Architecture
Mrs. G.N. Adam	Lecturer	Mathematics
Mr. J. A. Codjo	Chief Technician	Medicine

2. UNIVERSITY STAFF ATTEND PASSING OUT PARADE OF
THE 1984 PRE-UNIVERSITY STUDENTS AT GILGIL

Over 60 members of the University Community attended the passing out parade of the 1984 pre-University students at Gilgil on 13th August 1984. Headed by the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. J. M. Mungai, the group witnessed a colourful parade in which the guest of honour was His Excellency the President and Chancellor of the University of Nairobi, Daniel T. arap Moi. All the Principals of the six colleges, Deans of faculties and Directors of Institutes were invited to the function. Also present were the Vice-Chancellor of Moi University, Prof. D. Odhiambo, the Principal, Kenyatta University College Prof. J. Maitha, and the two Deputy Vice-Chancellors of the University of Nairobi, Prof. P. M. Mbithi and Prof. F. A. Mutere. In addition, all the university personnel who had given lectures to the students during their training, were also present.

In his welcoming speech, the Director of the National Youth Service Mr. Griffin recalled that it was last December that the Chancellor resolved the long standing dilemma which enabled the 1984 pre-university students to start the Youth service this year. He said that 'the pre-university induction programme was tough and had to be tough in order to achieve the desired objectives'. Noting that the drop-out rate of the pre-university was less than 1%, Mr. Griffin revealed that it was less than the usual drop-out rates in the Youth Service. In his vote of thanks he singled out the University for the role its staff had played and the interest shown by the large number of staff who attended the function.

In his speech, the President emphasized the need for the youth of this country to think as Kenyans and to identify with the aspirations of the country. He expressed satisfaction with training that the pre-university students had undergone and intimated that if it were possible university lecturers and professors should also undergo similar training. He

drills, had made the students physically fit and better prepared to face university education. He revealed that the programme would be undertaken annually and that the recruitment policy and procedure would be reviewed to ensure that all students joining higher educational institutions would pass through the National Youth Service Scheme.

Students interviewed by the Varsity Focus said that they had initially found the programme tough but later adjusted without any difficulties. They said that the scheme had made them attain a higher degree of self-discipline, self-control, and more responsive to their environment.

The creation of National Youth Service was among the first acts of independent Kenya. The decision to create it was made in late 1963 and the Directorate was formed in April 1964. The initial recruits were taken in August 1964 and the passing out parade of the first pre-university students coincided with the 20th Anniversary of the National Youth Service.

3. ASSOCIATION OF EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICAN
UNIVERSITIES FORMED

At a workshop of the Vice-Chancellors, Presidents, and Rectors of Universities in Eastern and Southern Africa held in Harare, Zimbabwe in June this year, an association bringing together all the universities of the region was formed and it was resolved that it would be known as the Association of Eastern and Southern African Universities.

In addition to ratifying the constitution of the Association, the heads of University institutions in the region agreed that the Association would have a secretariat, headed by an Executive Secretary, to be initially located in Kampala. It was further resolved that the first Chairman of the Association would be Prof. W. Kamba, the Vice-Chancellor of the University

of Zimbabwe assisted by an executive committee of four Vice-Chancellors who would be elected on a sub-regional basis covering North-eastern Africa, East Africa, Central Eastern Africa and Southern Africa.

According to the Harare Declaration of Cooperation among Universities in Eastern and Southern Africa, the objectives of the Association which are enshrined in the constitution shall be:- to promote cooperation among the universities of the region, to provide a forum for discussion on a wide range of academic and other matters relating to higher education, to maintain high comparable academic standards and to strengthen the work of the Association of African Universities, especially on a regional basis.

The functions of the Association shall include the following:-

- to organise regular academic meetings and conferences as well as the General Conference of the Association
- to facilitate the interchange of university staff, students and examiners and the sharing of limited resources and facilities
- to foster cooperation in the development of complimentary undergraduate and postgraduate activities
- to foster inter-university cooperation in the learning of university staff and to collect, publish and distribute information on matters of interest to the universities, Governments and peoples in the region and also to facilitate the exchange of information and production of teaching materials
- to foster joint research projects among the universities and countries in Eastern and Southern Africa.

As an immediate start to the cooperation, the Vice-Chancellors agreed to promote programmes of exchange of staff, students and external examiners, staff development,

and the execution of joint research projects amongst their universities.

The Workshop was opened by His Excellency the President of the Republic of Zimbabwe, the Reverend C. Banana and was closed by the Minister of Education Comrade Dr. Dzingai Mutumbuka. It was attended by 27 delegates from the Universities of Asmara, Makerere, Dar-es-Salaam, Kenyatta University College, Malawi, Mauritius, Edvardo Mondlane, Nairobi, Lesotho, Botswana, Swaziland, Zambia, Zimbabwe and the Inter-University Council for East Africa. It was also attended by 22 observers from ACU, EEC, UNESCO, UNDP, African American Institute, NUFFIC, WUS (Canada), HEDCO (Ireland), DAAD, USAID, British Council (London), FNF, Ford Foundation, Rockefeller Foundation, AAU, USAURP and Moi University.

The University of Nairobi was represented by Dr. F.N. Owako, while Prof. J.K. Maitha and Prof. M.K. Maleche represented Kenyatta University College.

4. NAIROBI UNIVERSITY STAFF FOOTBALL CLUB

Reports from the officials of Nairobi University staff Football Club indicate that their team continues to perform well in the 1984 football league. Currently in the second position in the Second Division Nairobi League, the team has had 12 outings, have won 10 matches, drawn and lost once in this season. Dr. Mkangi, the Coach/Player indicates that "despite financial constraints and transport problems, the players are in good spirit and the team is doing extremely well, and enjoys the support of the administration and staff". Other officials of the club include Mr. Okaye, Chairman and Dixon as Team Manager.

More staff are urged to become members. For further details contact Dr. Mkangi, Coach/Player, Department of Sociology, Ext. 2225.

5. DISTINGUISHED VISITORS TO VICE-CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE

The following visitors paid a courtesy call on the Vice-Chancellor on 26th July 1984. They were accompanied by Dr. David Court of the Rockefeller Foundation.

Dr. Richard W. Lyman - President, Rockefeller Foundation, New York Headquarters.

Dr. Joyce Moock - Assistant Director of Social Services, N.Y. Headquarters.

6. FORTHCOMING CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

6.1. National Workshop on Mental Health is scheduled to take place during the second week of November 1984.

6.2. WHO Seminar on Psychopharmacology is scheduled to take place in December 1984.

7. UNIVERSITY LECTURER INVOLVED IN TRAIN ACCIDENT

Dr. Hogg, a Senior Lecturer in the Department of Veterinary Anatomy was amongst the victims of the train crash which occurred in Scotland in late July 1984. Dr. Hogg lost his wife and daughter and was hospitalised together with another daughter who survived the accident.

Latest reports indicate that both Dr. Hogg and his daughter are still in hospital.

The family left for Britain on July 14, 1984 for a two month leave and were due back in late September. Dr. Hogg is on secondment to the Department of Veterinary Anatomy from the University of Glasgow through the British Council. We wish him and his daughter quick recovery.