

BUNGOMA COUNTY RESIDENTS
26TH MAY 2020

THE VICE CHANCELLOR
KIBABII UNIVERSITY
P.O. BOX 1699 – 50200
BUNGOMA



Dear Sir,

RE: FOR NOW WE THE BUNGOMA RESIDENTS DO NOT NEED ANYTHING FROM KIBABII UNIVERSITY APART FROM A LETTER OF CONFIRMATION FOR PROF. DONALD NAMASAKA SIAMBA

The above subject refers.

We the residents of Bungoma County do not need anything for now from Kibabii University apart from a letter of confirmation of Prof. Donald Namasaka Siamba in the position of Deputy Vice Chancellor (Administration, Finance and Development). He has been acting in the said position for the last 12 months and natural justice demands that he is confirmed in the position. Prof. Siamba is a person of integrity and very hard working and it appears there are forces which do not want him in that position so as to continue with the corrupt practices and acts that do not help the local community. **At the moment, anything from the university to the community is taken as a bribe to blind the local community from asking for their right of representation in the university management.** We are aware that the following are some of the reasons those fighting prof. Siamba do not want him confirmed:

1. There is corruption in the award of tenders an example being award of Security services and cleaning services to a couple from Thika, which can be traced to the Chairman of the university council. The Baaps company that is running the security services and Ice clean company belong to a couple from Thika and the awards to the couple was influenced by the chairman of the university council who fears that Prof. Siamba may come and correct the corruption by the university council and procurement department.
2. The Composition of the University Council is unconstitutional for not observing the one third gender rule (only one female out of nine members) and the council has no representation from the Luhya Community and has over representation from Kikuyu and

Luo communities (refer to the attached list). As Bungoma residents, we are demanding for the dissolution of the Kibabii University Council for fresh appointment as per the law.

3. The university council is against anybody from the local community. A case in point is refusing to confirm Prof. Siamba and a case where Mr. Butali was victimized wrongly by bringing an audit firm specialized in Finance to audit Human Resource to accuse Mr. Butali because he is a local. This made one Council member by name Harriet to swop with Mr. Wambua. That was a scheme to lock out locals from the community in the university council so that the university council can do all forms of corruption with impunity.
4. The Vice Chancellor with the influence of the Council Chairman appointed Ms. Martha Konje as Chairperson of Biological Sciences Department who has no PhD to qualify to be a senior lecturer as per the Kibabii University Statute XXXI (1). The Vice Chancellor and the University Council fears that this will not happen if Prof. Siamba who has integrity is confirmed. The rule of law must be observed in all appointments.
5. One University Council Member Mr. Asunah was sacked as Director in Kisumu County together with Prof. Obonyo (Registrar, PPRI) as CECM in Kisumu County. Mr. Asunah being on the university Council influenced the appointment of Prof. Obonyo as Registrar (PPRI). This is officers whose integrity is at question but serving in the top governance and administration of the university.

These are just a few cases of corruption at Kibabii University that the University Council having the Vice Chancellor as their Secretary fear confirmation of Prof. Siamba a person of integrity. As residents, we are not interested in the bribes of handouts, jericans, masks, soap or sanizers. Our only interest for now is a confirmation letter of Prof. Donald Namasaka Siamba as Deputy Vice Chancellor (Administration, Finance and Development) then later bring those items because we urgently need that at this time of Corona.

Yours,

John Wanjala Muchele

For BUNGOMA COUNTY RESIDENTS

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1. Chancellor, Kibabii University
2. Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Education

KIBABII UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

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| 3. Prof. Julius Kimaiyo – | Ag. Deputy Vice Chancellor (ASA) – | <u>KALENJIN</u> |
| 4. Prof. Donald Siamba – | Ag. Deputy Vice Chancellor (AFD) - | <u>LUHYA</u> |

SUMMARY BY TRIBE

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| 1. Kikuyu – | 2 |
| 2. Luo - | 2 |
| 3. Kamba - | 2 |
| 4. Taita - | 1 |
| 5. Somalia - | 1 |
| 6. Kisii - | 1 |
| 7. Teso - | 1 |
| 8. Kalenjin - | 1 |
| 9. Luhya - | 1 |

10. Remaining 32 tribes – Zero (0)



SUMMARY BY GENDER

FEMALE – 1
MALE - 11