UNIVERSITY OF IBADAN DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY

MY STEWARDSHIP II

Dear colleague,

As you are aware of, I will be vacating the headship of the Department tonight, after exactly one year in office. I should like to reiterate the immense joy I have derived from serving in this capacity.

For the sake of posterity, may I crave your indulgence to put on record some of our initiatives during the unusually very short tenure.

- *Establishment of Students' Data Processing Centre*, equipped with the state-of-theart computer systems.
- *Computerisation of students' records*, especially students' academic transcripts.
- Prompt release of examination results.
- *Refurbishing of the Departmental car.*
- Sourcing of funds and other forms of benefaction from alumni and friends of the Department.
- Democratisation of decision-making by empowering Departmental Committees such as Appointments and Promotions Committee, Postgraduate Committee, ICT Committee, and the Finance Committee.
- Improved teaching and learning environment through resuscitation of tutorial classes, enhanced sanitation and security facilities.
- Maintaining an active academic environment demonstrated by a functioning Departmental seminar series, including presentation by outside participants.

Whatever may have been achieved in the process was due to your cooperation and support. I trust you will extend the same hands of fellowship to the new helmsman, Dr. A. F. Abimbola, whom I am sure will add value to and surpass the achievements of those who have had the good fortune of being his predecessors in office as Head of Department.

Once again, a million thanks for everything. With best personal regards and best wishes for peace profound, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

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