



SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS

RESOLUTION OF SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS ADOPTED AT ITS EMERGENCY MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, 13th AUGUST, 2020 ON THE PURPORTED REMOVAL OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS, PROFESSOR OLUWATOYIN T. OGUNDIPE, FAS

At an Emergency Meeting held on Thursday, 13th August, 2020 at 8:30a.m., Senate received from one of its representatives on the Governing Council (Council), a report of the proceedings of Council meeting held on Wednesday 12th August, 2020 which culminated in the purported removal of the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oluwatoyin T. Ogundipe, FAS.

The Senate noted that:

- i. The action by Council constitutes a violation of Section 3(8), (9), (10) and (11) of the Universities (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Amendment) Act, 2003 on the removal of the Vice-Chancellor of any Federal University in Nigeria.
- ii. It was neither invited to participate nor did it participate in any Joint Committee of Council and Senate as required by law.
- iii. It received the news of the removal of the Vice-Chancellor from office from the social media.
- iv. The purported appointment of an Acting Vice-Chancellor of the University of Lagos breaches section 3(8) (13) of the Act.
- v. Due process was not followed in the purported appointment of the Acting Vice-Chancellor as the Senate was neither informed nor invited to forward its recommendation to Council.
- vi. Its functions and its powers have been completely appropriated by the Council in breach of the Law.

Senate resolved to:

1. Reject the purported removal of the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Lagos, Professor Oluwatoyin T. Ogundipe, FAS
2. Reaffirm its confidence in Professor Oluwatoyin T. Ogundipe, FAS as the substantive Vice-Chancellor of the University of Lagos.
3. Pass a Vote of No Confidence on the Governing Council of the University of Lagos, led by Dr. Bolanle Olawale Babalakin, SAN and calls on the Visitor for **immediate dissolution** of the Council.
4. Reject the appointment of Professor Theophilus Omololu Soyombo, as the Acting Vice-Chancellor of the University of Lagos.

Professor Chioma K. Agomo

Chairman, Senate Emergency Meeting

Professor J. Dele Olowokudejo

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Professor Oluwole A. Atoyebi

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Professor Folasade B. Akinsola

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Professor Lucian O. Chukwu

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