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Federal Republic of Nigeria  
on the  
Visitation Panel Report into the Affairs of the  
Federal University of Technology, Minna  
(2011 - 2015)**

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(2011-2015)**



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(vii) examine the Law establishing the University including the relationship between the various internal organs, units and offices, and indicate the ways the Law has been observed by the competent authorities, and also suggest any modifications to the Law;

(viii) trace the historical evolution of the University and take stock of its net achievements and problems as well as its style and direction ;

(ix) examine the general security in the University and how the University has dealt with it, and recommend appropriate measures ; and

(x) examine the processes and structures of discipline of students in each University in line with due process of the rule of law.

1.3. Details of the Findings/Observations and Recommendations of the Visitation Panel, as well as the comments indicating recommendations accepted, noted or rejected by the Visitor are contained in a tabular format in sections 2 – 11 of this gazette. The highlights of the Visitor's directives include:

(i) Federal Government should consider making academic development and academic achievements a distinct and separate item in the terms of reference for the Visitation Panel ;

(ii) Federal government should take into account competence, experience and integrity in recommending any staff for appointment into the office of the University Registrar;

(iii) Council should ensure computerisation of the Bursary Department;

(iv) The Management should ensure that the renovation and upgrade of the library block and its facilities are effected comprehensively and timely;

(v) Management to ensure that the operations of the library is computerised ;

(vi) Council should ensure that the Managing Director, FUTMIN Ventures, possesses the characteristics of a successful entrepreneur ;

(vii) Council to ensure that the Venture be made the hub for the commercialisation of the several research products of the university;

(viii) Management should make the Directorate for Collaboration, Affiliation and Linkage more vibrant, so as to generate additional income;

(ix) The Management should promote the micro finance bank, including by opening a branch at the Gidan Kwano Campus;

(x) Council to reorganize the University Consultancy outfit;

(xi) Council and Management should work towards attracting and recruiting more academic staff in the required departments ;

(xii) Management should encourage eligible academic staff to explore other sources of funding for International Conferences;

(xiii) Management should pay greater attention to the supervision of all staff;

## TERM OF REFERENCE ONE

*"To inquire into the level of implementation of the White Paper on the last visitation."*

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2.1.	REPORT ON LAST VISITATION EXERCISE	<p>(i) The White Paper on the 2010 Visitation Panel Report has been fully implemented.</p> <p>(ii) The Governing Council of the university has monitored and ensured that the directives of the Visitor as contained in the White Paper were carried out to the letter.</p> <p>(iii) This success could be attributed to the peaceful and cordial working relationship existing among members of the Council on the one hand and the Management Team on the other.</p>	<p>(i) Council should be commended for the effective managerial, supervisory and directing roles it has played in running the affairs of the university in providing a sound policy direction and rancour-free environment for effective academic pursuit.</p> <p>(ii) The management team of the university, the Vice-Chancellor and the Principal Officers, within the period under review should also be commended and urged to sustain the good work they are doing in running the day-to-day affairs of the university.</p>	<p><i>Visitor notes these recommendations.</i></p>

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		<p>(iii) Staff promotions were regular and staff development encouraged.</p> <p>(iv) Council exercised its functions in accordance with its schedule and adherence to the university laws.</p>	<p>(iii) Council should be advised to sustain its effort in ensuring that staff promotion is regular and other activities regarding welfare of staff remain a priority in the affairs of the university.</p>	<p>(iii) Visitor accepts recommendation (iii) and directs Council to ensure that this effort is sustained.</p>
3.3.	THE VICE-CHANCELLORS	<p>(i) Two (2) Vice-Chancellors served in the office during the period of this report.</p> <p>(ii) The final years of the Vice-Chancellor that served from 2007-2012, lacked cordiality in relating with many organs of the university, including the Governing Council. The tenure of the Vice-Chancellor that served during the period under review was however, generally peaceful and commendable.</p>	<p>(i) Vice-Chancellors should sustain involvement in all matters affecting the management and progress of the University.</p> <p>(ii) Vice-Chancellors should maintain cordial relations with all organs of the University.</p>	<p>Visitor notes these recommendations and enjoins the Vice Chancellor to sustain cordial relations with all organs of the university.</p>
3.4.	THE UNIVERSITY SENATE	<p>(i) The Senate was quite active meeting fifty-four (54) times during the period under review. Dominant items of discussion were staff concerns and student issues.</p> <p>(ii) From 2009, there was regular publication of a book of Extracts of the Major Decisions of the Senate.</p>	<p>(i) Management of the university should be commended for publishing the annual book of Extracts of the Major Decisions of the Senate.</p> <p>(ii) All federal universities should adopt the practice of compiling and publishing their book of Extracts of the Major Decisions of the Senate, as well as the</p>	<p>(i) Visitor notes recommendation (i).</p> <p>(ii) Visitor notes recommendation (ii) while observing that this is the standard practice in most universities.</p>

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		<p>(ii) The appointment of the two (2) Bursars covered in this report was in line with the University Regulations, as the appointments were both ratified by the Governing Council of the university.</p> <p>(iii) There were no complaints against the operations of the Bursary Department; and the Bursars had good working relations with the Vice-Chancellor, staff and students.</p>	<p>staff in their official work and increase their efficiency.</p>	
37.	THE UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN	<p>(i) Two librarians had held office within the period.</p> <p>(ii) The Library needs comprehensive rehabilitation.</p> <p>(iii) Library stocks are inadequate in some subject areas and the Research Section was not functional.</p> <p>(vi) The operation of the library has not been computerised.</p>	<p>(i) The Management should ensure timely renovation and upgrading of the library.</p> <p>(ii) The work should be carried out without disrupting the regular services of the library to the readers.</p> <p>(iii) Special attention should be paid to enhancing the internal lighting condition, especially in the reading sections.</p> <p>(iv) The Management should enhance and update the library collections regularly, so as to make them adequate for the readers in all disciplines.</p>	<p>(i) Visitor notes recommendation (i)</p> <p>(ii) Visitor notes recommendation (ii).</p> <p>(iii) Visitor accepts recommendation (iii) and directs Management to implement.</p> <p>(iv) Visitor notes recommendation (iv) and directs Management to implement within available resources.</p>





















