



10th May, 2019

Prof. Olanrewaju Ishaq Oloyede
The Registrar General
Joint Admission and Matriculation Board
National Headquarters
Suleja Road, Bwari,
P.M.B. 189, Garki,
Abuja.

Dear Sir,

**REQUEST PURSUANT TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, 2011 FOR THE
COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF THE PROMINENT POLITICIANS WHO PASSED THE
JAMB EXAMINATION THROUGH PROXIES**

The above subject matter refers.

It was conveyed via online news media platforms, Amiloated news on the 5th May, 2019 in a report titled, "JAMB Will Publish Names of Prominent Politicians Who Cheated During UTME - Registrar, Ishaq Oloyede". Sahara Reporters also published on 4th May, 2019 in a report¹ titled, "JAMB to Publish Names of Prominent Politicians Who Cheated During UTME".

The crux of both reports is that the Registrar General of the Joint Admission and Matriculation Board stated that the Board would publish the names of politicians who cheated during their JAMB examinations by using proxies to write the examination. Although, it was relayed in the reports that the names to be published are not in active service, and as such there would be challenges in prosecuting them which is why the Board would publish the names with the aim of humiliating the politicians.

Human and Environmental Development Agenda (HEDA Resource Centre) is a non-governmental organization and non-partisan human rights and development league that has the mandate to protect and promote universally recognized human rights, accountability and environmental justice in Nigeria and Africa, in accordance with international standards.

At this juncture, we would like to point out that publishing the names of the perpetrators is not sufficient as there is the need to bring them to book within the full force of the law and more so, criminal offenses are not time bound which in essence means that the culprits can still be prosecuted within the ambit of law.

¹ <http://saharareporters.com/2019/05/04/jamb-publish-names-prominent-politicians-who-cheated-during-utme>

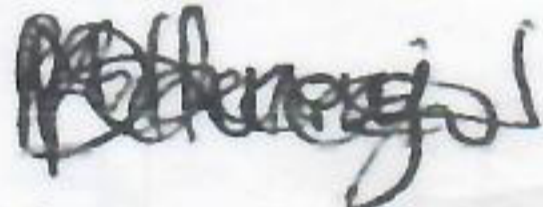
In our bid to strengthening the course of accountability and transparency, we believe going beyond publishing the names and prosecuting them would further this course and serve as a strong pointer and precedence for future perpetrators and law breakers and most importantly, our organisation is keen on compelling appropriate law enforcement agencies to prosecute.

In line with Sections 2, 3 and 4 of the Freedom of Information Act, 2011, we write to request for the list of the prominent politicians who wrote the JAMB examinations through proxies, in order to ensure the diligent strategic follow up with relevant and appropriate enforcement agencies to ensure speedy investigation and onward commencement of prosecution of the perpetrators within the confines of the law.

We look forward to your utmost cooperation and the prompt response to this requested information and in any event, within seven (7) days of the receipt of this application as provided for under the Freedom of Information Act.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,



Rebecca David (Miss)
(Legal Officer)

