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PRESS RELEASE

The Governing Council has, at its 168 (Special) meeting held on Wednesday, 14th

August, 2024, approved the appointment of Professor Bashir Garba, MFR as the

new Vice Chancellor of the Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto. The appointment

is for a single term of five (5) years and will be with effect from 1st September,

**2024**, when Professor Garba is expected to assume duty.

Professor Bashir Garba, MFR, a staff of the University released on Leave of Absence

to Sokoto State University, was born on 6th June, 1966. He attended University of

Sokoto (now Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto), and University of Jos where he

obtained Bachelor of Science (B.Sc) in Applied Chemistry and Masters Degree in

Applied Organic Chemistry in 1988 and 1994 respectively. Thereafter, he obtained

his Ph.D in Applied Chemistry at Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto, in 1998.

Professor Garba, an indigene of Sokoto-South Local Government Area of Sokoto

State started his working career as a Graduate Assistant at the Usmanu Danfodiyo

University, Sokoto in 1989. He rose through the ranks and became a Professor in

2002.

During the period, Professor Garba held some administrative positions within and

outside the University. These include: Vice Chancellor of Sokoto State University

from May, 2022 to date; Commissioner and member of the Sokoto State Executive

Council from June, 2019 to January, 2022; Secretary to Sokoto State Government from September, 2015 to May, 2019; Rector, Polytechnic of Sokoto State from August, 2012 to September, 2015; Director at Energy Commission of Nigeria (ECN) from April, 2006 to March, 2010; and Director, Sokoto Energy Research Centre (SERC) from August, 1999 to 2005.

He was at various times Chairman and/or Member of many Committees within and outside the University.

Thank you.

PROFESSOR ATTAHIRU MUHAMMAD JEGA, OFR

Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of Council

Date: 14th August, 2024