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SPEECH OF THE UDS TO STUDENTS GOING ON HOLIDAYS BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE STUDIES AND FORESIGHT COMMISSION, UNIVERSITY OF DSCHANG

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Dear students of the University of Dschang, Good morning!

- **1.** As you depart for the holidays, the university sincerely thanks you for the confidence you have placed in it to complete your higher education.
- 2. You have personally heard the quality of the results which have just been announced by the Director of Academic Affairs and Cooperation.

These are your results.

Talk and discuss about them with pride!

3. The University of Dschang wishes, moreover, to put you on a mission, from this moment, as ambassadors to your comrades, your brothers and sisters, your friends, your neighbors, all your contacts on the multiple communication networks. This is to tell them about your university, the advantages you have being here in Dschang, rather than elsewhere.

4. To put it better!

Everyone is aware of the ambient but incomprehensible campaign of misinformation against the University of Dschang, of slander and blackmail against its senior officials and of jealousy against you, our dear students.

Indeed, there are people who hide behind the social networks to spread unacceptable. Fortunately your good performances always contradict, same as those of your seniors, both abroad and in the work places are made from here, the University of Dschang.

5. Spread the good news...to everyone what you know, what's being done here and what you're enjoying here. Talk about it around you, with confidence and conviction.

Do I need to remind you of the constant services of the academic institution offered here at the University of Dschang?

Let's take a few examples together:

- At the UDs, each student is covered by a health insurance policy and supported one hundred percent (100%) when he or she falls ill.
- At the UDs, all the Units of the university Social and Welfare services function normally: the University Restaurant, the Bus Shuttle for mobility within our vast campus, the Student Hostel, the Associations, sports and cultural activities for human socialization, togetherness and fitness.
- At the UDs, we respect the resumption date of the academic year and the closing date for departure on holidays as set by the technical supervisor, the Ministry of Higher Education;
- At the UDs, the students go on holidays on the day of the proclamation of the results with their Attestations of success and transcripts. This gives them the latitude, from the 1st August of the same year to apply for national and international university mobility, to take part in competitive exams and to apply for the various scholarship offers;
- At the UDs, dozens of cooperation scholarships are offered to brilliant students to further their studies in foreign universities, while other scholarships and local prizes are constantly provided, year after year, by our academic partners, to distinguish and encourage the best;
- At the UDs, you live in a climate of trust, openness and closeness between teachers and students, administration and students. In this regard, I particularly salute those who come to us from friendly countries, such as Chad, the Centre African Republic, the Congo, and others!
- In this university, your university, the one you have chosen and with good reason, your wishes and requests in these last years have been well heard. Relevant measures are underway to find adequate responses to them for the next academic year.

6. Go on then... valiant and brave students, distinguished ambassadors of the UDs, as missionaries, campaign in your families, your communities, your friends... to tell them that the pre-registration platform is ready and always open here at UDs.

Come on... tell them the truth about our undisputed strengths, our performances, which have quality assurance, performance and student well-being at its core.

These are known assets that have repeatedly made UDs the best university in Cameroon and Central Africa.

7. Come on...

Because you deserve a good vacation where you rest while getting ready; where one prepares by telling those you love and those you care about why they should also prepare to return to the University of Dschang which awaits them with open arms, turned as it is, towards a better future.

Go...and return next year in more numbers than you left!

8. May the Great Almighty God continue to bless and protect you during the holidays. May He bless and protect the University of Dschang, its senior officials, teachers and non-teaching staff.

Thank you for the excellent quality of your attention.

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