RULING ON ELECTION TIMELINE

Following discussion with both MONSU and the University, it has been confirmed to me that the arrangements currently in place to hold the ballot for next week cannot be done in a safe or timely manner. Given the basic requirements of polling and the necessary consideration of the safety of participants in the scheduled elections which cannot be guaranteed, no polling will be occurring from 16-18 September as originally planned. This was entirely unforeseen and was not expected to occur during the crucial phase of the election period.

In light of this, and again in consultation with the relevant staff at the University and MONSU, I am therefore changing the dates and times of polling to be October 23 to October 25, from 10am until 3pm each day in accordance with regulation 9.2.2.3 of the Election Regulations. To provide for this new timeline, new notice of the election will be provided on Monday 16 September.

All ticket registrations, nominations and other submissions received until this point will be voided, with new periods for election forms to be received in line with regulation 9.1 of the Election Regulations.

I have been advised that the MONSU Student Council will be making changes to the Role Regulations immediately to clarify eligibility and expectation around office-bearer roles. These changes will then take effect for the upcoming election period and I will communicate these to all previous 2019 election participants once they have been passed.

RULING MADE AT 4:45PM, WEDNESDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2019

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