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MEDIA STATEMENT

Passing of Emergency Medical Care Student

The NUST community regrets to announce that a second-year Bachelor of Emergency Medical Care student, Mr Fillemon Primus, passed away during a rescue training exercise.

His next of kin have been informed. The entire NUST Management, Fillemon's classmates and lecturers extend, with heavy hearts, sincere condolences to his family and friends.

The incident happened on Thursday afternoon, 4 April 2024, at the City of Windhoek's Emergency Training Centre, where such training normally takes place. At this stage, it is unclear what caused the incident.

The Department of Clinical Health Sciences at NUST, which houses the qualification, together with the City of Windhoek, is cooperating with law enforcement and health professionals who will determine the cause.

NUST is halting all training for this course until further notice. Communication with students and stakeholders is ongoing. The students that were involved in this tragic incident continue to receive psycho-social support through NUST.

Mr Primus was a qualified Intermediate Life Support Provider with pre-hospital industry experience. He was a promising student, furthering his education by pursuing his passion to become an Advanced Life Support Paramedic. He will be dearly missed by his classmates, fellow students, and lecturers.

We urge the public to be sensitive to the bereaved during this difficult time.

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