



## **HANDING OVER SPEECH BY THE OUTGOING PRESIDENT ATUBGA DAVID ATIA IBRAHIM; OF THE INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS UNION (ISU) OF UESTC ON THE 5<sup>TH</sup> OF JUNE, 2016 AT THE STUDENTS' ACTIVITY.**

Mr. Chairman, Representative(s) from the Office of the International Education, the Outgoing Executive Board of ISU, Executive Board of Incoming Executive, Noble Graduands to be, Colleague Students, Invited Guest, Ladies and gentlemen; a day was once born and finally came to an end in the evening. Permit me to use this opportunity to humbly express our sincerest gratitude to the Dean and Staff of the School of International Education of UESTC as well as to the whole student body for the enormous support you gave us from 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2015 when we assumed office till 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2016. We really appreciate you all and lack the right adjectives to describe our feelings or happiness. It is stated in one book entitled; "As you like it" written by William Shakes Spear that "This world is like stage" and indeed the International community of UESTC is a stage upon which the 2015/2016 Executive Board appeared and have played our part.

### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

I would say that some achievements came through because of your effort not our effort alone. We were together with our noble volunteers and received our 2016 Academic year batch freshers.





We organized sporting activities ranging from badminton, soccer, cricket, volleyball, table tennis



We again organized Academic seminars Thesis writing, paper publications and conference presentations for our International students.



We assisted International Office to organize Karaoke singing competition



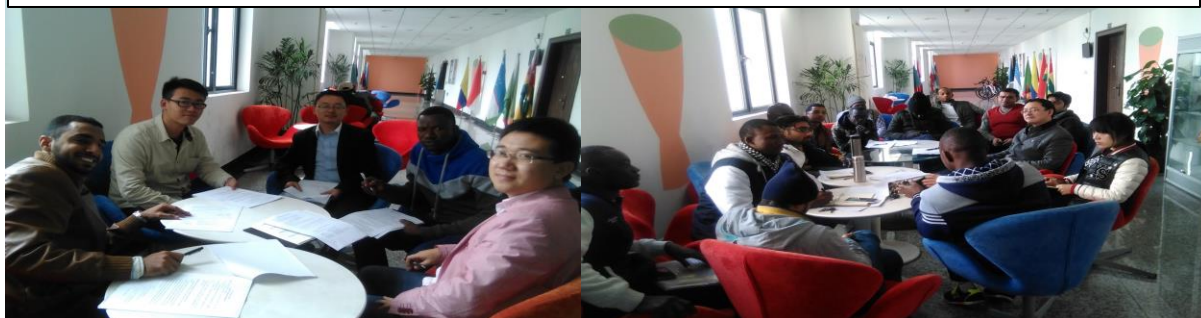
We represented ISU at University of Glasgow's First International Student Leadership Youth Forum October 2015.



Contributed to the progress of DEC Company in Chengdu, 9<sup>th</sup> January 2016

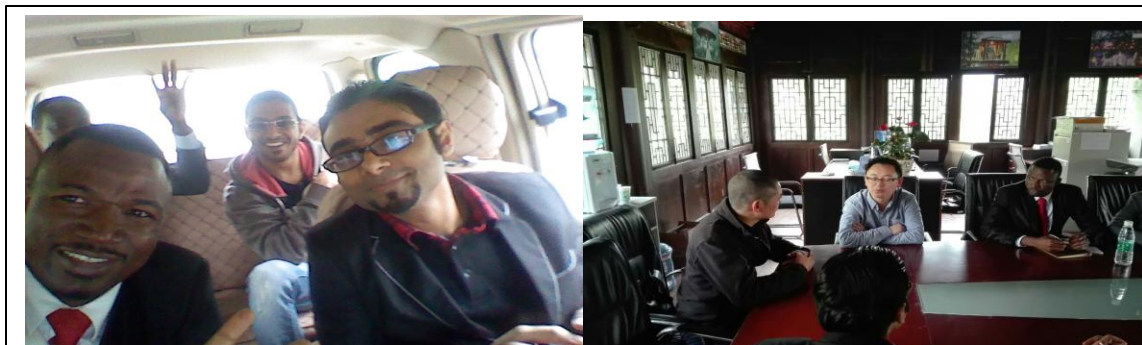


We held series of meetings to resolve students' concerns from time to time with within the core Executives and also with Office Staff





Again assisted School of International Education organized Cultural shows September, 2015



In order to create intensive opportunities for our International Students, we had negotiations with some Companies in Chengdu with the kind support of our Office Staff (Companies: IT HUB, Huawei, DEC, Regalia Group company around Duliang Dam)



We assisted Office to organize social trips to various vital tourists' sites in Chengdu





We helped office to carry out dormitory inspections.



We also appreciated the hard works of our Dear Staff of the School of International Education.

In summary, We received our 2016 fresh ladies and men, organized sporting activities for them and with a party on the last day, organized karaoke singing competition, help office to carry out dorm inspections, we also helped office to organize the 2015 International Students Cultural Show, we represented ISU at University of Glasgow First International Student Leadership forum, Contributed to the progress of DEC company in Chengdu, meeting with Regalia group, IT HUB and Huawei to create opportunities for International students for intensives, we held series of meetings with concern staff to resolve students' issues, successfully organized the 2015/16 New Year party, and again, we have been able to maintain the long lasting Unity that existed within the

International Community of UESTC and we hope this mantle can be handled same way or better. However, we pursued the issues of the Card system for the Master Dormitory and the printing of our ISU tracksuit but we could not achieve these. At least, we have tried our part NOT every problem is meant to be solved.

It marks a big step in one development when one come to realize that with the support of other people we can achieve a lot than the theme could do alone. Courage is resistance to fear, mastery of fear is not absence of fear. To love truth for truth's sake is the principal part of human perfection in this world, and the seed-plot of all other virtues. A long apprenticeship is the most logical way to success. The only alternative is overnight stardom, however, I may not be able to give you the appropriate formula for that. We must be willing to fail and to appreciate the truth that often, Life is not a problem to solve but rather a mystery to be lived. My advice is, Ability may get you to the top but it takes character to keep you there. Hence forth, permit me to say; our burden constant worries we give to International Office is over from today, my pressure on my hardworking executive board and committees is over from today, my pressure on my august Country Representatives is over and my disturbance on my dear International Students is as well over from today. My long messages have finally come to an end.

### **My last take home scenario**

Knowledge, wisdom and experiences are not meant for an individual.

No matter who you are, how experienced you are, and how knowledgeable you think you are, always delay judgement. Give others the privilege to explain themselves. What you see may not be the reality. Never conclude for others. That is why we should never only focus on the surface and judge others without understanding them first.

Those who like to pay the bill, do so not because they are loaded but because they value friendship above money.

Those who take the initiative at work, do so not because they are stupid but because they understand the concept of responsibility.

Those who apologizes first after a fight, do so not because they are wrong but because they value the people around them.

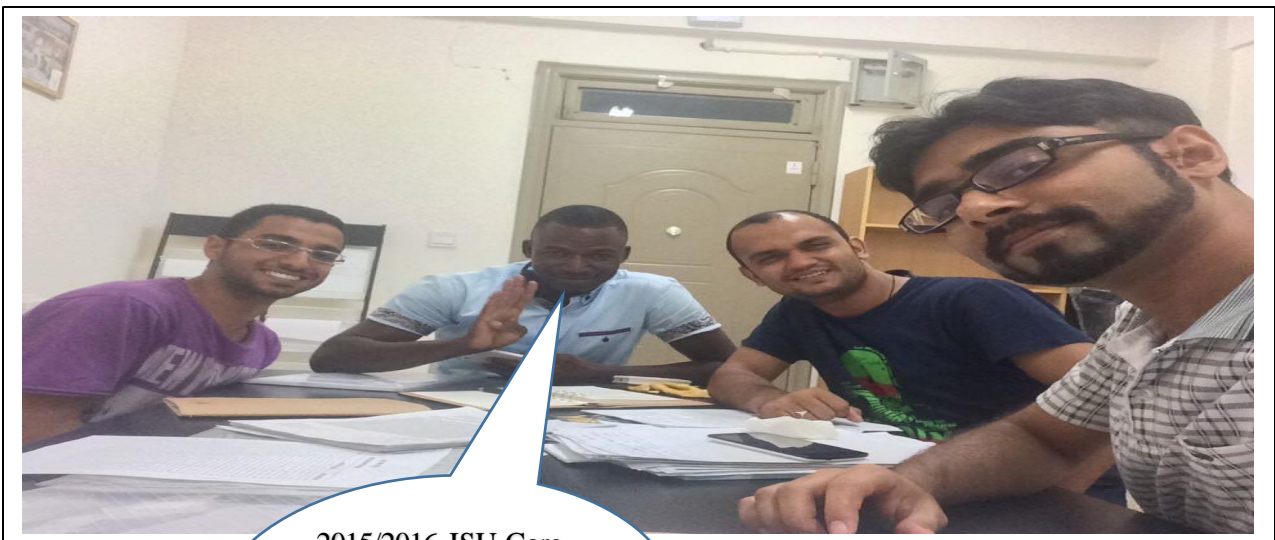
Those who are willing to help you, do so not because they owe you anything but because they see you as a true friend.

Those who often text you, do so not because they have nothing better to do but because you are in their heart.

One day, all of us will get separated from each other; we will miss our conversations of everything & nothing; the dreams that we had. Days will pass by, months, years, until this contact becomes rare... One day our children will see our pictures and ask 'Who are these people?' And we will smile with invisible tears because a heart is touched with a strong word and you will say: 'IT WAS THEM THAT I HAD THE BEST DAYS OF MY LIFE WITH' in the University of Electronic Science and Technology of China.

The 2015/2016 outgoing Executive Board of ISU Say, GOODBYE to everyone and we wish you all the best in life.

Long live China; Long live UESTC; Long Live Everyone. Xie Xie, ni, Thank you very much. GOOD BYEEEEEE!!



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