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Dear Sir/Madam,

**NON-RECOGNITION OF DOCTOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (DBA) FROM SWISS
MANAGEMENT CENTRE (SMC) UNIVERSITY AND DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PHD)
FROM UNIVERSIDAD CENTRAL DE NICARAGUA (UCN)**

Further to our letter dated 20th October 2025, concerning the non-recognition of certain tertiary education institutions by the Ghana Tertiary Education Commission (GTEC), the Commission has received numerous enquiries regarding the recognition status of the following qualifications:

- Doctor of Business Administration (DBA) awarded by Swiss Management Centre (SMC) University; and
- Top-up Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) awarded by Universidad Central de Nicaragua (UCN).

The Commission wishes to inform all Heads of Tertiary Institutions that it does not recognize the following qualifications:

1. The Doctor of Business Administration (DBA) awarded by Swiss Management Centre (SMC) University; and
2. The Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) jointly awarded by Universidad Central de Nicaragua (UCN) and Swiss Management Centre (SMC) University.

Accordingly, any such qualifications obtained from the above-mentioned institutions are **not recognized** by the Ghana Tertiary Education Commission for academic or professional purposes.

This notice **supersedes all previous communications** issued by the erstwhile National Accreditation Board (NAB) and the current GTEC on this matter.

Yours faithfully,

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DIRECTOR-GENERAL**

Cc: All Heads of Tertiary Institutions