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PREAMBLE

The Green Campus Initiative (GCI) is the first campus based environmental advocacy organization in Nigeria. It organizes and consolidates the efforts of Nigeria’s college students on campuses across the country to be catalysts of transformative change. GCI tackles the challenges of climate change and environmental sustainability through innovative academic research, results based green initiatives, building a generation of environmentally conscious, socially conscious student leaders. We train university students and equip them with the tools needed to create Green Initiatives on their own campuses. Through a teach-the-teacher model, we seek to compound of passion for green change around Nigeria. In line with the above mission, the__________ chapter:

DO HEREBY MAKE, ENACT AND GIVE TO OURSELVES THE FOLLOWING CONSTITUTION TO BE KNOWN AS THE CONSTITUTION OF THE GREEN CAMPUS INITIATIVE (GCI), ____________________________.
ARTICLE 1

DEFINITION/INTERPRETATION OF TERMS

In this Constitution, except as otherwise provided:

**Initiative:** means the Green Campus Initiative (GCI), ________________ Chapter.

**Members:** means students who join the Initiative by registering online and taking the Green Pledge (www.greenthecampus.org) and have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Initiative in every session, which includes but not limited to:

a) Dues/Levies as may be agreed by the congress on the recommendation of Executives and which shall be fixed subject to review by the Executives and the Congress from time to time.

**Officer:** Comprise Persons holding any of the Fourteen (14) Executive portfolios as given in Article 5 (a) – (n)

**Faculty:** includes the Faculties of the University.

**The Executives:** means the Executive Council, comprising of the past governors (subject to studentship in the university) and the present officers.

**Legal Function:** Any act or omission that is not inconsistent with the spirit of the Initiative and the provisions of this constitution.

ARTICLE 2

GENERAL PROVISIONS

(a) **CITATION:** This Constitution shall be cited as the Constitution of the Green Campus Initiative (GCI) (herein after refer to as this Constitution).

(b) **ESTABLISHMENT:** There is hereby established an Initiative to be known as the Green Campus Initiative ________________ Chapter (herein after refer to as the Initiative effective from the date of the adoption of this Constitution).

(c) **SUPREMECY:** This Constitution is the supreme law guiding and regulating the activities and conduct of members of the Initiative and all organs as well as committees established pursuant to its provisions. Any policy, conduct or activity contrary to it shall be null and void.
(d) **MEMBERSHIP:** Membership of the Initiative is open to any student of the university irrespective of the programme.

(e) **MOTTO:** Achieving Sustainability socially, economically and ecologically.

(f) **LOGO:**

(g) No person shall be qualified for any post except he/she is a student of the school and has a minimum CGPA of 2.40 (or equivalent of second class lower), he/she is a consistent member of the initiative and paid dues up to date as at the time of the election.

(h) **STAFF REPRESENTATIVES:** Appointed by GCI Headquarters.

(i) **PATRON:** There shall be one Patron for the Initiative who shall be the chief adviser to the Initiative and will offer moral, financial and other assistance to the Initiative.

   i. **Qualification:** For someone to be appointed the Patron, he must be a senior member of the academic staff of the university community who has a proven record of identifying or associating with the Initiative and shall come from the Faculty of Environmental Design or Agricultural Science subject to the overriding powers of the congress.

(j) **MATRON:** There shall be one Matron for the Initiative who shall be the chief adviser to the Initiative and will offer moral, financial and other assistance to the Initiative.

   i. **QUALIFICATION:** For someone to be appointed the Matron, he must be a senior member of the academic staff of the university community who has a proven record of identifying or associating with the Initiative and shall come from the Faculty of Environmental Design or Agricultural Science subject to the overriding powers of the congress.

(k) **GRAND PATRONS:** There shall be one Grand Patron for the Initiative who shall constantly be the Vice Chancellor of the university. He shall play the fatherly role and may provide financial assistance to the Initiative.

**ARTICLE 3**

**AIM/OBJECTIVES OF THE INITIATIVE**
The Initiative shall have the following as its aim and objectives;

**AIM:**

**OBJECTIVES:**

(a) To create and pursue avenues to enhance the knowledge of environment by its members and the university community.
(b) To make University and its environs a sustainable and environmentally friendly institution.
(c) To shift University towards a carbon neutral, environmentally conscious institution through the volunteer efforts of staff and students.
(d) To become a vehicle to create, support and implement green projects driven by the university community that will reduce ABU’s carbon footprint and increase its use of sustainable practices.
(e) To render humanitarian, social or community base services where capable and when the need arises.
(f) To foster unity, collaboration and peaceful co-existence among students and the university community at large.
(g) To manifest and promote the culture of environmental best practices in the utilization of our environment.

**ARTICLE 4**

**PRINCIPLES**

The Initiative shall function at all times in accordance with the following principles:

(a) Utmost good faith and honesty.
(b) Equality of all members and equal opportunity to participate in all the programmes, activities and offices of the Initiative provided they meet the requirements stipulated for the office.
(c) Peaceful resolution of disputes in the spirit of oneness.
(d) Non-involvement in partisan politics.
(f) The pursuit of social justice, environment, economic and educational development

(g) Solidarity and unity of purpose.

(h) Transparency, accountability and regard to democratic norms and values.

ARTICLE 5

EXECUTIVE ORGS OF THE INITIATIVE/FUNCTIONS/QUALIFICATION.

There is hereby established the Executive Organs of the Initiative which shall comprise the following fourteen (14) offices:

a) Governor
b) Deputy Governor
c) Commissioner of Environment and Climate Change
d) Commissioner of Media and Public Relations
e) Commissioner of Innovation and Social Entrepreneurship
f) Commissioner of Health
g) Commissioner of Education and Advocacy
h) Commissioner of Innovation and Social Programmes and Planning.
i) Commissioner of Finance
j) Commissioner of Agriculture and Rural Development.
k) Commissioner of Sport
l) Commissioner of Recruitment and Citizenship
m) Commissioner of Sustainable Transport
n) Commissioner of Happiness

a) GOVERNOR

i. Monitors all Commissioners and ensure smooth operation of the Initiative

b) DEPUTY GOVERNOR

i. Monitors all Commissioners and ensure smooth operation of the Initiative in the absence of the Governor.

ii. And perform such other functions as may be necessary from time to time for the benefit of the initiative.
c) COMMISSIONER OF ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE

i. Developing a plan to combat climate change and reduce greenhouse gas emissions
ii. Working to sustain the air, land, and water to guarantee healthy communities, ecological protection and sustainable development on campus and beyond using science and research to develop policies, regulations and standards on campus
iii. Enforcing compliance with environmental law on campus
iv. Monitoring and reporting to track environmental progress over time
v. Advocating for renewable energy, sustainable transportation, effective waste management system on campus
vi. Creating a natural environment and organic landscaping for 65% of the campus landscape areas
vii. Planting of trees not just beautification and serenity but to improve the freshness of the air we breathe in.
viii. Engaging in community based projects to foster teamwork as well as environmental sustainability on campus

d) COMMISSIONER OF MEDIA AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

i. Building and managing the reputation of the institute and its program
ii. Understanding the environment while influencing opinion and behaviour of targeted audience. This can be achieved by nurturing community relations through events such as open days and through participation in community initiatives
iii. Monitoring publicity and conducting research to find out the concerns and expectations of our stakeholders.
iv. Planning, developing and implementing PR strategies such as communicating with and answering enquiries from media, colleagues, spokespersons, individuals and other organisations, often via telephone and email
v. Researching, writing and distributing press releases to targeted media
vi. Writing and editing in-house magazines, case studies, speeches, articles and annual reports; organizing and overseeing the production of publicity
brochures, hand-outs, direct mail leaflets, promotional videos, photographs, films and multimedia programmes

vii. Organising events including press conferences, exhibitions, open days and press tours; sustaining information on the organisation's website as well as engaging with users on social media sites such as Twitter and Facebook.

e) COMMISSIONER OF INNOVATION & SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP.

i. Setting an ambitious one year innovation and diversification strategy

ii. Encouraging budding entrepreneurs to gather and innovate for social change.

iii. Developing sustainable solutions to tackling pressing global challenges like environment, climate change, poverty, immigration, health, human rights, gender inequality or any other social issue.

iv. Providing expert insight on developments in technology, eLearning, digital inclusion, digital government, community development, social innovation and related skills, and learning agendas

v. Strategically and creatively lead market analysis and innovation, driving the team to generate new ideas and business streams to grow the business while turning that into realistic plans and workflows in order to enhance Green Institute’s reputation

vi. Working with the media, giving speeches and presentations, and experience of blogging and using social media to promote the Institute’s brand

f) COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH

i. Improving, promoting and protecting the health of all citizens in the school community

ii. Organizing workshops, seminar, drives to promote healthy lifestyles

iii. Research to provide vital statistics on diseases

iv. Consultation and referral services

v. Advocating for the use and consumption of organic products and food.

g) COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION AND ADVOCACY
i. Cultivating individual potential in attaining the knowledge, skills and abilities needed to contribute to a healthy society and a flourishing and sustainable economy

ii. Using arts and various forms to advocate for green practices and technologies

iii. Encouraging schools to incorporate environmental education into their curriculum

iv. Providing information on scholarships, fellowships and various opportunities

v. Educating people on the general idea of going green

vi. Implementing and leading environmental education and outdoor recreation programs for families, adults, and children at within and outside the campus community.

h) COMMISSIONER OF INNOVATION AND SOCIAL OF PROGRAMS AND PLANNING

i. Plans, cultivates, implements, and coordinates strategic operational and administrative programs, projects, and/or services of broad significance to the institute.

ii. Creating and implementing short- and long-range organizational goals, objectives, strategic plans, policies, and operating procedures; monitors and evaluates programmatic and operational effectiveness, and effects changes required for improvement.

iii. Governing need and plans while developing and evaluating a wide range of integrated communications strategies and programs for and on behalf of the institute's principal executive.

iv. Designing, creating and sustaining an organizational structure and staffing to effectively accomplish the organization's goals and objectives

v. Overseeing recruitment, training, supervision, and evaluation of ambassadors, associates, staff and other participants.

vi. Providing strategic advice and consultation to leadership in the development, implementation, and evaluation of modifications and enhancements to existing operations, systems, and procedures.
vii. Recommending and participates in the development of policies and procedures; may serve as representative of the Green Institute on Campus planning and policy-making committees.

viii. Representing the Institute to governmental agencies, funding agencies, national organizations, and/or the general public; may represent the principal executive at various community and/or business meetings, as assigned.

ix. Performing miscellaneous job-related duties as assigned.

i) COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE
   i. Managing all financial resources for sustainable development
   ii. Generating revenue through innovative ideas
   iii. Budget
   iv. Fundraising
   v. Preparing quarterly, midyear and annual review

j) COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT
   i. Creating jobs, wealth and ensuring food security by transformation of the agricultural sector within the campus community
   ii. Promoting locally grown foods and products from our school farms.
   iii. Stimulating investments by developing partnerships with local farmers as well as various levels of government (local, state, federal)
   iv. Developing entrepreneurship with a sharp focus on youth and women

k) COMMISSIONER OF SPORT
   i. Leading and developing sporting excellence alongside the participation of all stakeholders for their enjoyment, health and lifelong engagement.
   ii. Encourage members to be fit
   iii. Organize sporting events and competitions on regular basis.
   iv. Represent the institute at relevant conferences and meetings on sports related matters
   v. Liaise closely with the Health Centre in matters relating to injuries and accidents

l) COMMISSIONER OF RECRUITMENT AND CITIZENSHIP
   i. Responsible for coordinating membership and recruiting new members
ii. Handling a database of members with reference to birthdays, anniversaries, email, phone numbers etc.

iii. Monitoring trends, research and responding to member needs and identifying gaps.

iv. Developing and facilitating virtual training seminars and workshops that support the performance of staff.

v. Providing expert, advice, guidance and support to members.

vi. Providing leadership for national recruitment initiatives.

m) COMMISSIONER OF SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT
   i. Promoting walking, use of bicycles and carpooling on campuses
   ii. Designing business ideas to promote sustainable development

n) COMMISSIONER OF HAPPINESS
   i. Overall welfare of members and the community at large
   ii. Understanding of the issues, concerns and interests of others.
   iii. Impartiality and ability to treat all members in a non-judgemental way.
   iv. Organizing fun events as well as team building activities

ARTICLE 6

ZONING ARRANGEMENTS

1. The leadership of the Initiative shall be based on faculty of study save where there is no student from such Faculty or there is, but he/she is disqualified for one reason or the other. These are:
   i. Faculty of Administration
   ii. Faculty of Agriculture
   iii. Faculty of Art
   iv. Faculty of Education
   v. Faculty of Engineering
   vi. Faculty of Environmental Design
   vii. Faculty of Medicine
   viii. Faculty of Law
   ix. Faculty of Life Sciences
   x. Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences
xi. Faculty of Physical Sciences  

xii. Faculty of Social Sciences  

xiii. Faculty of Veterinary Medicine  

2. On no occasion shall the Governor and Deputy Governor be from the same faculty.  

ARTICLE 7  
COMMITTEES  

The Association shall have standing committees or adhoc committee as required by the congress with the exception of:  

(a) MISCONDUCT INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE: This committee shall be established whenever there is a reported case of any misconduct.  

i. They shall be constitute a panel of six officers from any faculty as agreed by congress.  

ii. In a case where the all officer are accused, the panel shall constitute six members as agreed by congress  

(b) ELECTORAL COMMITTEE  

(c) GREEN PROJECT COMMITTEE:  

There shall be at least two Green Projects within an academic session having at least one per semester. A proposed project can be presented by any member of the Initiative  

i. This committee shall be established whenever there is a project to be executed.  

ii. It shall comprise of the officer whose office is mostly related with the intended project.  

iii. It shall have the governor as the head of the committee.  

iv. It shall comprise a minimum of five (5) other members or officers of the initiative.  

ARTICLE 8  
CONGRESS  

a) There shall be at least two congresses per semester.  

b) The congress shall comprise all members of the Initiative in accordance with the provisions of this Constitution.
c) The congress shall be the most powerful organ of the Initiative and shall have the following powers:

i. Approve members of any committee to be set up by the Initiative.

ii. Set up ad-hoc investigation committee to look into the finance of the Initiative, enquire into the administration of the Initiative or institute an impeachment procedure as the case may require.

iii. Pass a vote of no confidence on any or the entire Executives.

iv. Nominate members of the electoral committee.

v. Call for an extra-ordinary congress at the instance of at least fifty (50) members at least twenty five (25) from each campus. They shall write their names, registration number and sign as well as stating the venue, date, time and reasons for the meeting and must circulate such notice widely on the two campuses. They shall in the notice request the president to attend and preside. The Secretary General shall take minutes as in a normal congress with the Executives members in attendance.

vi. Have the power to set up a Constitution review committee and adopt or reject the reviewed Constitution in accordance with the provisions of this Constitution.

vii. Have the right to deliberate on all issues concerning the Initiative and may reverse the decision of Executives by a two third majority.

viii. Any committee set up by the congress shall reflect the two zones of the Initiative except where there is genuinely nobody from a particular zone.

ix. A quarter of total members shall form a quorum in ordinary congress and six (15) members shall constitute a quorum in extra-ordinary (emergency) congress.

ARTICLE 9

MEETINGS

1. The Initiative shall have the following three meetings:

(a) Congress

(b) Executive meetings and

(c) Committee and Investigation panel meetings.
2. The **Green Pledge** shall be said at the beginning and end of all meetings of the Initiative.

3. **Congress**: shall be held in accordance with the provisions of this Constitution.
   
   (a) The Initiative shall hold congress **at least once in a semester or as the need arises** subject to a minimum of two congresses during the life span of any officers.
   
   (b) All congresses must be presided over by the Governor or the Deputy Governor in the absence of the Governor and in that order.
   
   (c) In the case of an extra-ordinary meeting, where the Governor and Deputy Governor refuse to preside, the six (6) signatories who are the conveners of the meeting shall select among themselves a member to preside for the purpose of that meeting only.

4. **Executive Meetings**: Physical meetings shall be held from time to time as the need arises. **Electronic meetings are always on going.**
   
   (a) Executives meetings shall be presided over by the Governor or Deputy Governor in that order in the absence of the Governor.
   
   (b) **Seven (7) members of the Executives shall form a quorum of an Executives meeting.**

5. **Committee and Investigation Panel Meetings**: Shall proceed according to their determination subject however to this Constitution and their terms of reference.

**ARTICLE 10**

**MONETARY AFFAIRS.**

(a) Members of the Initiative shall pay annual dues which shall be **N2, 000** subject to review by the Executives and the congress from time to time.

(a) Donation from members, non-members and organizations, whether governmental or non-governmental shall also serve as a source of fund for the Initiative.

(b) The Initiative shall also be free to engage in fund raising activities from time to time as it shall be deemed necessary.

(c) As provided in this Constitution, all monies of the Initiative shall be kept in a reputable bank to be decided upon from time to time by the Executives.

(d) The Governor, **Commissioner of Finance** and the **Commissioner of Environment & Climate Change**.
(e) In the event of a withdrawal of money from the Initiative’s account, the signature of the Governor and any of the two signatories as specified in Article 10 (d) shall suffice.

(f) Spending of monies belonging to the Initiative shall be by the written authorization of the Governor or any person directed by the Governor subject to the prior consent of the congress unless where due to the urgency of the matter, consent of the congress is impracticable.

ARTICLE 11

TENURE OF OFFICE

1. TENURE OF OFFICE: The tenure of every officer and that of the Standing Committees shall be one academic session. All Ad-hoc Committees and Investigation Panels constituted shall not subsist the tenure of each Executives.

2. IMPEACHMENT:
   a) An officer of the Association shall be impeach on the commission of any of the following offences:
      i. Violation of the provisions of this Constitution.
      ii. Gross misconduct, corruption and financial mismanagement or misappropriation.
      iii. Negligence of duty and conduct incompatible with the person holding such office.
   b) Procedure for Impeachment:
      i. Notice of such allegation shall be tabled before the congress and copied to the affected officer(s) and signed by at least twenty (20) members, ten (10) from each campus who have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Initiative.
      ii. A Misconduct Investigative Committee is set up.
      iii. The investigation panel shall have power to summon any member of the Initiative and to request for any documents or correspondences from any member of the Executives and to receive and hear evidence in furtherance of its assignment and may make appropriate recommendations of disciplinary nature to the congress for any defaulting member.
      iv. On presentation of a no case to answer by the committee, the matter shall be laid to rest. If on the other hand a prima facie case is established against
the officer, if he is the Governor shall step down to allow the Deputy Governor to preside over the meeting for the purpose of the impeachment proceedings.

v. Where the Deputy Governor has been also indicted, an acting Governor shall be elected from among the officers to preside over the proceedings.

vi. On receiving the findings, if it is a finding of a prima facie case, the acting Governor shall take a motion for impeachment and it may be seconded. Where it is seconded, a counter motion shall be requested from the congress. In the absence of a counter motion, the officer(s) stands impeached.

vii. Where there is counter motion validly made and seconded, the matter shall be put to vote. In the case of the Governor, he stands impeached by a vote of two third majority of the members present and voting. In any other case, by a simple majority.

viii. Any person or officer indicted shall have the opportunity of being heard by the panel of investigation and shall be given another opportunity to make a defence before the congress prior to voting for his impeachment.

ix. Election to any impeached office shall be conducted immediately by nomination and simple voting. But where it is one month to the expiration of the session, a caretaker officer shall be nominated and elected to fill the vacancy by the congress bearing in mind the zoning arrangement of offices.

3. VOLUNTARY RESIGNATION: Any officer of the Initiative wishing to resign his office may do so after complying with the following procedures:

(a) Serve a two week notice to the Governor stating his reasons.

(b) In the case of the Governor, he shall serve a two week notice to the congress stating his reasons.

(c) Such notice shall be accompanied by a comprehensive report of his activities in the office and must conclude with an undertaking that he did not embezzle, misappropriate or otherwise, misuse the Initiative’s monies or property or assets.

(d) In the case of the Governor where his resignation is accepted by the congress, he shall forthwith hand over to the Deputy Governor who shall assume the
office of the Governor of the Initiative pending the conduct of an election to replace the resigned Governor.

(e) The election to replace a resigned Governor shall be restricted to members of the Zone producing the Governor and contestants shall have fulfilled all their financial obligations.

(f) In any other case, where it is an office possessing a deputy, the deputy shall act in a substantive capacity. Where the Governor accepts the resignation of the officer(s) in question, a bye election may be conducted to replace the resigned officer in compliance with the zoning arrangement.

4. **COMPULSORY RESIGNATION**: A vote of no confidence may be passed on any or all the members of the Executives. Where it is the entire Executives that are affected, the vote shall be effected by a two third majority of financial members of the Initiative. In any other case, it shall be by a simple majority.

(a) The officer(s) concern shall be given two week notice of the intention to move motion for vote of no confidence after which he shall be given the opportunity to be heard before the general congress.

(b) Where the motion is successful, the officer(s) shall be deemed to resign compulsorily.

5. **DISMEMBERSHIP**: This could be by death, expulsion and other occurrences. Where this is the case, the procedures aforementioned in this article shall be used.

**ARTICLE 12**

**ELECTIONS.**

1. Elections into various offices of the Initiative shall be conducted at least two weeks before the second semester examinations.

(a) An Electoral Committee ELCOM shall be constituted in accordance with the provisions of this Constitution for this purpose.

(b) The ELCOM shall consist of five (5) members from different faculties and shall not have any member of the Executives as its member. The members shall meet and decide from among them who shall be the chairman and secretary and other posts.

(c) The ELCOM shall within a reasonable time before any election spell out the guidelines for the conduct of such elections.
(d) All financially up-to-date members of the Initiative shall be eligible to vote and be voted if in addition they have fulfilled the constitutional provisions and all the ELCOM guidelines as published for the elections.

(e) A candidate to any office shall be disqualified by the ELCOM if:
   i. He attempts to use physical violence, abusive language or intimidate other contestants or their supporters.
   ii. If he contravenes the provisions of this Constitution or electoral guidelines.
   iii. If he has been convicted for any criminal offence by the court of law and or A.B.U Security or SRC court.

2. **BYE-ELECTIONS:** Bye-elections shall be conducted to fill vacant posts left by the Executives within two (2) weeks after such vacancy has been created.

3. **ELECTION PETITIONS:** All election petitions must be filed within 72 hours to the investigation committee of the Initiative.

4. **ELECTION RESULTS:** Must be announced immediately after the voting

**ARTICLE 13**

**CODE OF CONDUCT/DISCIPLINARY MEASURES**

1. Executive and ordinary members of the Initiative shall at all times uphold and defend the provisions of this Constitution and in this regard shall:
   (i) Enforce all the provisions of this Constitution
   (ii) Behave in a manner befitting of officers of the Initiative.
   (iii) Shall exhibit boldness and imagination in leadership
   (iv) No member of the Executives shall absent himself from any meeting of the Initiative without prior approval or lawful justification.
   (v) It is an offence for any Executives or member to be unruly or to stage a walk out in any meeting of the Initiative.
   (vi) Any member who contravenes any provisions of this Article shall be treated in accordance with the laid down provisions of this constitution dealing with suspension of members.

2. Congress members shall at all times act in conformity with the provisions of this Constitution and in this regard shall:
   (a) Not fight or harass one another in or outside the meeting
(b) Not use derogatory language on any Executives or Congress member
(c) Not walk out of any meeting without lawful cause
(d) Violation of the code of conduct rules may attract disciplinary measures as stipulated in the constitution after proper investigation of the matter has been conducted and report tabled before congress for resolution.
(e) No member of the Initiative shall report a fellow member in connection with the affairs of the Initiative to the security office or submit any dispute to the University authorities or the law enforcement agents without first submitting such matter to the Initiative through Executives for resolution.

3. **SUSPENSION:** An officer or member of the Initiative may be suspended for a period of not more than one semester for offences ranging from lack of commitment to the Initiative, absence from meetings and failure to carry out designated duties.

(a) **Procedure for Suspension:** Same as those of impeachment save that no person shall be suspended from the Initiative for more than one semester.

**ARTICLE 14**

**AMENDMENTS AND REVISION**

1. Any member of the congress may in a congress; raise a written motion which must have been submitted to the Executives at least one (1) week before the congress for amendment of this Constitution or any part thereof stating his reasons and the motions shall be seconded.
2. The presiding Governor shall request a counter motion and if seconded, the matter shall be put to vote.
3. On the resolution of two third majority of financially up-to-date members, a committee shall be set up to review the Constitution or any part thereof in accordance with the motion.
4. The reviewed Constitution shall be presented to the congress and shall be adopted by a two third majority vote of financially up-to-date members of the Initiative.

**ARTICLE 15**

**FINAL PROVISIONS**
1. All decisions and resolutions of the congress shall as much as possible be implemented to the letter by the Executives.

2. The Executives and all committees set up by the Initiative shall adopt their own rules of procedure but must be in line with the provisions of this constitution.

3. The Executives in conjunction with the congress may establish specialised or technical committees when necessary.

4. Anti-Initiative activities including challenge to the legitimate authority and legally constituted executive members shall after due investigation and if found guilty be sanctioned by suspension or such other disciplinary measures as may be decided by the congress.

5. English language shall be the official language and decent dressing shall as much as possible be adopted at all gatherings of the Initiative and occasions.

6. Development projects and Initiative welfare schemes for the benefit of members shall be spread evenly between the two campuses of the university.

7. The Initiative shall express concern by way of courtesy calls; condolence visits etc. in instances of sad occurrences affecting members of the Initiative and may express joy and share in the happiness on such occasions involving its members.

SCHEDULE TO THE CONSTITUTION

OATH OF OFFICE

I .................................................., do solemnly swear/affirm that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to the Green Campus Initiative (GCI), _____________________ University and that I will preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the Green Campus Initiative. That as........................................of the Initiative, I will discharge my duties to the best of my ability and in accordance with the Initiative Constitution and always in the best interest, integrity, solidarity, well-being and progress of the Initiative. That I will strive hard to uphold and preserve the principles and objectives of the Initiative contained in the Constitution. That I will not allow personal interest to influence or conflict with my official conduct or decisions and that I will devote myself to the service and well-being of the entire members of the Green Campus Initiative, _____________________ University, Zaria.

SO HELP ME GOD!
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