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Professor Barnabas Nawangwe, PhD.
Vice Chancellor, Makerere University

Dear Professor Nawangwe,

I am writing to express our sympathies to you, and to the faculty and students of Makerere University in the wake of the fire in the Ivory Tower. We recognize that many people on your campus, and your alumni (including those here at Washington University), are experiencing sorrow due to its importance. This iconic building is not just the center of administration, but also an important symbol of Makerere University.

Please know that we are thinking of you here at Washington University. There are many alumni, research collaborators, and friends here who care and have you in our thoughts.

We are confident that Makerere University will overcome this challenge, based on the strength of its people and the support of its friends. If we can be of assistance, let us know.

With best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kurt Dirks".

Kurt Dirks, PhD