

Suspects. At least 88 suspects were implicated in the racket that involved staff, alumni and students.

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KAMPALA. Makerere University is stuck with its investigations into university staff implicated in altering marks after police indicated its files pinning culprits went missing.

The university academic registrar, Mr Alfred Masikye, had instructed the former Makerere head of security, Mr Jackson Muchunguzi, to apprehend 88 suspects implicated in a racket that involved Makerere staff, alumni and continuing students whose alleged actions tainted the reputation of the university that prompted it to withhold transcripts of 14,000 students, who graduated last year.

How it started

Mr Masikye, in a letter dated September 7, 2017, ordered Mr Muchunguzi to arrest 88 culprits he named in the letter after evidence pinned them.

"Please refer to our discussion on people who were involved in the change of marks on the results management system (RMS). This is to request you to apprehend the following people (list attached) for prosecution in liason with acting director, legal affairs," the letter read, in part.

Mr Muchunguzi was directed to report back to the university management with a detailed progressive report on the suspects in one month.

Things fall apart

However, Mr Muchunguzi's term in office was cut short after the Inspector General of Police, Gen Kale Kayihura, recalled him and sent him for further studies in Kabale District, before he could execute the arrests

Makerere exam fraud: police file goes missing



Hooray! Some of the graduates during the 68th graduation ceremony at Makerere university last month
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BACKGROUND

Bid problem. The issue of marks alteration at the university escalated towards the 67th graduation ceremony in 2016 after the university withdrew names of more than 69 students over marks alteration.

Mr Muchunguzi, however, told *Daily Monitor* in a telephone interview yesterday that he had already established the whereabouts of the culprits as

he asked for a hand to have them arrested before he was replaced by Mr Enoch Abaine.

Muchunguzi asserted that he handed over the progress report to his successor before he left.

"When I was handing over [office], I gave him the progress report and I expected him to have done his work since he is a senior officer and it was one of the university priority reports," Mr Muchunguzi said.

But Mr Abaine denied having received any files from his predecessor.

"As per available records, there is no one we have arrested over the same. During my take

over, I was not briefed that were pending cases for investigations. You can also check the hand over it does not have any investigative file," Mr said.

He, however, direct contact the academic registrar since he is the one who for the arrests.

We could not reach the registrar since his phone number was switched by press time.

The vice chance Barnabas Nawangwa pick our repeated case time.