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Attn: News Editors

PRESS RELEASE (For immediate release)

The Data Protection Commission (DPC) has expressed grave disappointment at the public screening of a video exposing a female student of Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST) in a sexual act.

This conduct of publicizing the sex video is malicious and contravenes Section 37 of the Data Protection Act 843 (2012) and infringes on the right of the victim involved in the sexual act.

A person who infringes Sec 37 of the Data Protection Act, 2012 (Act 843) commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of not more than 5000 penalty units (GHC60,000.00) or a term of imprisonment of not more than 10 years or to both.

The Commission is appealing to the University, the Police or other relevant security agencies as a matter of urgency to promptly investigate the incident and punish the perpetrators involved in the undercover act and publication of the said video as well as protect the integrity of the victim in accordance with data protection and other laws in the country.

Such a punishment would not only deter people from engaging in such mischievous acts but would also promote sanity, decency and moral uprightness among students on campuses supposed to be academic settings for prospective mentors.

Meanwhile the Commission is again using this medium to advice all to desist from further publication of the video on their platforms since they will also be violating the data protection laws.

For further information please contact the Data Protection Commission on telephone number 0302631445.

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