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PRESIDENT DE LEON APPOINTS ASSOCIATE DEAN OF STUDENTS, BUSINESS MANAGER

President Cándido de León announced today the appointment of Edward S. Maynard as associate dean of student services and Fabian N. Amaobi as business manager.

The new associate dean of student services, Edward S. Maynard, comes to Hostos from Medgar Evers College, where he completed a year as director of a Ford Foundation grant given to the new Bedford-Stuyvesant-based college to implement its opening. As director of the Community Service Center at Medgar Evers, Dean Maynard was responsible for establishing a bank of community resources for the college; providing liaisons between the community and college administrators and faculty; recruiting teaching and other college personnel from minority groups; and recruiting "special" students, i.e., veterans and dropouts from other City University colleges.

Persuaded that all too often "students drop out of college for other than academic reasons," the new associate dean is committed to "improving the lot of students in college" through his work in student services. Dean Maynard feels that the systems approach to education--one of the chief reasons he was attracted to coming to Hostos--offers students the best chance of having a successful college experience.

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Previously, Dean Maynard taught education at Brooklyn College where he was responsible for the supervision of student teachers in elementary schools. Fluent in Spanish, Dean Maynard spent nine years in the New York City school system teaching English as a second language to Spanish-speaking students and Spanish to adults; he also taught mentally retarded and emotionally disturbed children in the public school system.

The holder of a B.A. degree from Brooklyn College and an M.A. in special education from Teachers College, Columbia University, Dean Maynard is currently a candidate for the Ph.D. degree in education at New York University.

A United States Marine Corps veteran, Dean Maynard is married to the former Joan Bacchus and has two children by a previous marriage, Jeanne, 13, and Charles, 9.

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Fabian N. Amaobi, the college's new business manager, is the former fiscal director of the Red Hook Neighborhood Health Center in Brooklyn where he was responsible for all accounting and statistical interpretation and analysis, budget preparations, and the development of procedures for handling accounts receivable, securities, and auditing of cash funds.

Prior to his work at the Red Hook Neighborhood Health Center, the Biafran-born Mr. Amaobi was internal auditor for the Crane Company in New York City. He previously held the position of staff accountant for Grace Lines, Inc. From 1965-67, Mr. Amaobi served as financial analyst and statistician for the Board of Trade in London.

After completing his elementary and secondary education in parochial schools in Biafra, Hostos' new fiscal officer worked for two-and-a-half years in Lagos, Nigeria, for a government-owned corporation as a senior accounts clerk. He then went to London where he earned a diploma in marketing, manage-

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ment, and accounting from the Professional Institute. He holds a B.A. degree in management and accounting from London University and an M.B.A. in management and accounting from St. John's University in New York.

Mr. Amaobi is married to the former Rosa Ada Okoro. Born in Biafra and formerly a schoolteacher in Nigeria, Mrs. Amaobi plans to resume her teaching career in New York City after she completes her postgraduate studies in education. The Amaobis reside in Brooklyn.

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