Airport official dies in Abuja radar room

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Late Aniekan Effiong

Nigerian Airspace Management Agency (NAMA) has announced the death of one of its Air Traffic Controllers (ATCO), Mr Aniekan Effiong, while on duty yesterday.

Mr Khalid Emele, NAMA spokesman, confirmed it in a statement in Lagos yesterday.

Emele said that Effiong died on duty at the approach radar control site of NAMA Total Radar Coverage of Nigeria (TRACON), Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport, Abuja.

The ATC officer, until his death, was an Assistant General Manager, Operations at NAMA.

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Emele mourned the sudden death of the NAMA official, saying, "He was a hard-working and dedicated staff member who died in the prime of his career.

"Effiong reported to duty at the Abuja Approach Radar Control (TRACON) on November 21 at 6p.m. without any sign of illness whatsoever.

"He was to close by 7a.m. the next day (Monday). However, at about 4 a.m. this morning, he experienced difficulty in breathing. FAAN ambulance was called to evacuate him to the nearest medical facility. He was immediately taken to the Air Force Base clinic where he died. Effiong was a hardworking and dedicated staff

who died at the prime of his career. He will be missed by the entire NAMA community," said the statement.	