Abuja airport manager slumps on duty, dies

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Aniekan Effiong

An air traffic controller of the Nigerian Airspace Management Authority has died while on duty.

PUNCH Metro learnt that the deceased, Aniekan Effiong, was an Assistant General Manager, Operations, NAMA, before his demise on Monday.

Our correspondent gathered that he slumped at the approach radar control site of NAMA, in the Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport, Abuja.

The management of the agency, while confirming Effiong's death in a statement signed by its spokesman, Khalid Emele, on Monday, said, "He was a hard-working and dedicated staffer who died at the prime of his career.

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"Effiong reported to duty at the Abuja TRACON on November 21, 2021 at 6pm without any sign of illness whatsoever. He was to close by 7am today (Monday). However, at about 4am this morning, he experienced difficulty in breathing. A FAAN ambulance was called to take him to the nearest medical facility. He was immediately taken to the Air Force base clinic, where he died."