

Dear Colleagues,

Happy New Year! We wish you all a very prosperous year!

Our Reunion year is here! How time flies!

Conversations about our reunion began in May 2024. At that time, August 2025 seemed a long time away. It is now just 7 months to the Reunion and the final countdown has begun!

Since the 2024 Reunion committee was formed and empowered to organize the reunion, the committee members have been hard at work on planning our reunion.

We have also received comments and questions from alumni, about the different aspects of the reunion and about past financial contributions for a prior planned reunion and class project.

The 2024 Reunion committee want to use this opportunity to provide details of what has been accomplished and provide additional information about the reunion and to provide answers to some questions that have been asked of the committee.

It is important to state here, however that the 2024 Reunion committee's mandate was to organize the class's 30th anniversary reunion based on the polls conducted prior to setting up the committee. Our mandate did not include being the ad-hoc alumni executive committee empowered to investigate and audit past finances or project of the class. That being said, we have strived to obtain information pertaining to prior financial contributions and the available balance in an account that was setup by a prior organizing committee.

This account is domiciled in the Union Bank Branch in Idi-Araba, Lagos.

Obtaining this information in itself has been an onerous effort by the reunion committee members to achieve.

The 2024 Reunion Committee has not been charged with auditing prior accounts and expenditure of Medilag 94+1 accounts.

A: Reunion Committee accomplishments

1. Reunion domain name medilag94plus1.org., website setup and maintenance (voluntary contribution)
2. Fixed reunion dates and set dates of activities
 - Thursday, 31st July - Informal meet & Greet
 - Friday, 1st August - "Beach Day"
 - Saturday, 2nd August – CME activity and Commissioning of Project and Gala Night
 - Sunday 3rd August - Farewell breakfast
3. Committee members personally visited multiple hotels in Lagos and selected Lagos Continental Hotel, A 5-star hotel in Victoria Island as the event hotel for our reunion
4. Deposit Paid for Lagos Continental Hotel Events Venue. (Deposit Amount paid: 3.3 Million Naira)
5. Obtained Discounted room rates at Lagos Continental Hotel for Reunion Attendees (<https://reservations.travelclick.com/112986?groupID=4574826>).
6. Retained services of two events planners to facilitate a successful reunion.
7. Retained Services of a Fast Track, Reliable and Safe Airport Concierge Service for pick-up of attendees from Murtala Mohammed Airport (MMA), process through customs and immigrations and drop off at attendees' preferred location. This is offered at a preferred rate for attendees (PS: Cost is borne by individual members).
8. Logistics; secured Reliable Luxury coach transportation services from Lagos Continental Hotel to all Reunion activities as part of the Reunion expenses.
9. For planning purposes, we have guesstimated approximately 150 -200 Attendees. With a presumed participation rate of 60% and assuming each alumnus comes with a significant other and 1 – 2 children.

B: Reunion Activities and Estimates of Costing* (Please notes all cost are estimates)

- Thursday 31st July 2025. An Informal meet and greet evening gathering at the Lagos Continental Hotel Sugar 52 Lounge. (Venue Cost: 2 Million Naira, Food/Beverage/entertainment cost: 3 Million Naira) **(Estimated Cost: 5 Million Naira)**
- Friday 1st August 2025: A Reunion "Beach" day.) **(Estimated Cost - 17 million Naira).**
- Saturday AM: 2nd of August 2025. A CME event at College of Medicine University of Lagos at Great Hall (Topics and speakers TBD) **(Estimated Cost: 8 Million Naira)**
- Saturday PM: 2nd of August 2025. Commissioning of class project for CMUL.
Currently we are discussing that instead of a brand-new project, we are reassessing the current state of the prior class project which involved renovations of medical students' hostels' (Block 1 and Block 2) bathrooms/toilets and kitchenettes areas, do a new rehabilitation and put in place a maintenance contract to ensure facilities are regularly maintained.
We believe doing this may inspire a maintenance culture rather than a new project, that may soon go into a state of disrepair! PS: The final cost of this has not yet been ascertained. Prior renovations were done at a cost of 13.5 Naira Million Naira in 2020 Naira value. (Using inflationary data, **Estimated Cost: 35 Million Naira**)
- Saturday 2nd August 2025 - Gala and dinner night at Lagos Continental Hotel Grand Africa Ballroom (Venue Cost: Naira 9 million, Food/Beverages Cost: 8 Naira Million , **(Estimated Cost: 17 Million Naira)**)
- Sunday 3rd August 2025 farewell breakfast.

The above costs does NOT yet include additional costs such as Transportation, Memorabilia, Entertainment costs and other miscellaneous expenses as vendors indicate costs will vary by time of reunion.

Information about prior contributions and account balance:

With respect to prior financial contributions, expenditures and project, the reunion committee designated members including the treasurer to looking in to this. The Reunion committee was recently just informed by the Union Bank officials at Idi Araba Branch, about the balance of the prior contributions as at 15th Jan 2025. This is as follows:

- Pounds Sterling £1,777.32 (₦3,642,850)
- US Dollars: \$4,843.79 (₦8,089,129)
- Euro: €938.00 (₦1,585,220)
- Naira: ₦406,417

Total in Naira = ₦13,723, 616 (Reunion Committee does NOT have access to these funds Currently)

We await the formal official Union Bank statements.

The list of donors from 2019/2020 will be posted on the Reunion website under Reunion 2025 tab.

Expenditure related to prior money raised as stated previously falls outside the reunion committee mandate.

Please note that our current reunion funds raising level as shown on the reunion website **DOES NOT** include the amounts above in prior account.

We hope the above information provided, suffices in answering the questions raised and addressing the concerns of class members.

We want to use this opportunity to appreciate our classmates who have registered and contributed to our 30th Anniversary Reunion and also urge those that would like to participate on the momentous occasion to please do so now.

We are looking forward to seeing you in August 2025.

Sincerely,

Your Reunion Committee.