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Scubed's thought about the installation of the condom machine on campus

The installation of the condom machine on campus has become an issue that has been discussed many times. Scubed now feels the need to publish an official statement to explain its thoughts before what may be a KPS vote about the issue.

Scubed believes in the need of a stronger and a more effective education on sexual health and the use of condoms. As science students, we must also ensure that the condoms are not promoted as to having total protection against sexually transmitted disease. The use of condoms must be done in a responsible manner. Additionally, the installation of a condom machine does not exclusively educate against sexually transmitted diseases. Its presence at the highest educational institution of the country may give a negative impression to some, which has nothing to do from that of sexual health.

Unfortunately, we feel that the issue of a condom machine on campus has gone out of the sexual health awareness campaign and has become an issue of who will manage to install it, even if there is no need for such thing considering this is a University campus not a recreational place. Hence, Scubed feels that at the moment, it is not the time to install such machine, as it would not completely fit the purpose that is promoted in the campaign to install the machine: that of sexual health awareness. Scubed, instead, would be in favour of having a pharmacy on campus, in which condoms will also be available.

We have also noted that surveys done in order to study the idea of having a condom machine on campus have never showed that the students need such machine, but only they 'want' or they 'do not mind'. It was never shown that students wanted to use contraceptives but they did not find any available.

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