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RATIONALIZATION OF NON-PRIORITY EXPENDITURE AND THE SUSPENSION OF PROCUREMENT OF PROMOTIONAL MERCHANDISE

In steering the nation towards economic renaissance, the Administration continues with the implementation of the **Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA)**, within the framework of a macroeconomic strategy focused on fiscal consolidation.

The policy on fiscal consolidation is anchored upon enhanced revenue mobilization as well as austerity measures underpinned by the rationalization of non-priority expenditure and implemented in a manner that nevertheless protects essential social development spending.

In keeping with this plan, the 2024 Budget Policy Statement (BPS) approved by Parliament is themed as "Sustaining Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda for Economic Recovery and Improved Livelihoods."

In that regard, and in an effort to further streamline expenditures and optimize the utilization of public resources; all Ministries, State Departments, and State Corporations/Agencies are directed to:

- I. Optimize their operations and **rationalize all non-priority expenditure items** in accordance with the guidelines issued by the National Treasury;
- II. Suspend and immediately cease the procurement, printing and production of corporate wear; including but not limited to t-shirts, shirts, tracksuits, and any other branded clothing items; and
- III. **Suspend and immediately cease** the **purchase of promotional merchandise** such as calendars, diaries, umbrellas, power banks, key holders, bags, flasks, cups, branded traditional blankets/"Shukas", notebooks, and any other promotional materials.

Please proceed and take appropriate action to secure the full implementation of these additional austerity measures.

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