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GUIDELINES FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE 2013 – 2015 BUDGET PROPOSALS

In accordance with Article 179 (1) of the Constitution and Section 152(1) of the Financial Administration Regulations, we circulate on behalf of the President, for your information and necessary action, guidelines for the preparation of the 2013 -2015 Budget Proposals which will inform the preparation of the Government's Budget and Economic Policy.

Please note that the 2013 budget is the last year of implementation of the GSGDA. MDAs are therefore to ensure that outstanding priority issues are given the needed attention in the 2013 Budget.

Chief Directors are also to ensure that the content of these Guidelines is strictly adhered to and all issues therein addressed in their Draft Budget Estimates.

In line with the Constitutional provision relating to the submission of draft Estimates to Parliament by 30th November as well as this year being an election year, the full budget will be presented in the first quarter of 2013 whilst a three months estimates in lieu of appropriation will be presented in November, 2012.

Chief Directors are to ensure that all budget documents requested by the Guidelines should reach the office of the Director of Budget, (Room 417) Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning not later than <u>Thursday</u>, 6th <u>September</u>, <u>2012</u> in both hard and soft copies. A detailed budget hearing timetable will be communicated to all MDAs in due course.

Thank you and counting on your cooperation.

HON. DR. KWABENA DUFFUOR
MINISTER FOR FINANCE AND ECONOMIC PLANNING

ALL SECTOR MINISTERS
ALL REGIONAL MINISTERS
ALL DISTRICT CHIEF EXECUTIVES

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His Excellency, The Vice-President

The Chief of Staff & Min. of Pres. Affairs

The Chairman, NDPC

The Hon. Deputy Ministers, MOFEP

The Head of Civil Service

The Auditor-General

The Controller & Acct.-General

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All Heads of Depts/ Agencies

All Reg. Co-ord. Directors

All Reg. Budget Officers

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