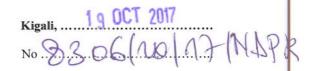
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To: Central Government Chief Budget Manager (All)

Re: The First Planning and Budgeting Call Circular for the 2018/2019 Fiscal Year

A. Introduction

- In accordance with article 26 of Law N° 12/2013/OL of 12/09/2013 on State Finances and Property on Planning and Budgeting Calendar as well as the Ministerial Order relating to Financial Regulations N° 001/16/10/TC of 26/01/2016, I have the pleasure to communicate to you the following information to guide you in the planning and budgeting process for the 2018/19 Fiscal Year.
- The 2018/19 first planning and budget call circular is not a request for budget submissions but rather a request for information to facilitate proper planning and prioritization across all Ministries, Districts and Agencies (MDAs). Information requested should be submitted to MINECOFIN by 15th November 2017.

B. Improving Planning across Government for better Delivery of the National Strategy for Transformation (NST1)

MDAs' adherence to the 2018/2019 planning reforms will require compliance with the principles of NST1 for the planning process to better inform budget prioritization. These include; completing unfinished business from EDPRS 2 and Vision 2020, developing a private sector led economy, promoting innovation, adoption & scale up of home grown solutions, ensuring sustainability, consultation & engagement among others). To this end, the following shall be the guiding principles and processes for the 2018/2019 planning and budgeting cycle:

a) Quality of plans will impact on resource allocation

Good quality plans will have a positive impact on resource allocation. The main expectations for quality plans are to: demonstrate a clear prioritization (aligned to strategic plans and other high level decisions); ensure adequate consultations with key stakeholders, have a clear phasing or sequencing of activities, show strong linkages with outcomes/results and have ownership of

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