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Ministry of Finance P.O. Box 395 Maseru 100

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TO: ALL PRINCIPAL SECRETARIES

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FROM: BUDGET CONTROLLER

SIGNED BY: MALESHOANE LEKOMOLA-DANZIGER

INTERIM BUDGET CALL CIRCULAR 2020/2021 - 2022/2023 BUDGET FRAMEWORK PAPER AND BUDGET ESTIMATES

PART I

- **1.1** The Ministry of Finance as mandated by section 112(1) of the Constitution has commenced budget process preparation for the Financial Years 2020/21-2022/23. In this regard, Chief Accounting Officers are requested to submit to the Ministry of Finance estimates of revenue and expenditure for the Financial Year 2020/2021 and projections of revenue and expenditure for 2021/2022 and 2022/2023 in accordance with the ceilings in Appendices 1 and 2. The estimates must be submitted to the office of the Budget Controller by 4th December 2019. The full calendar is covered in paragraph 1.3.
- **1.2** Ministries are urged to strictly adhere to the given budget ceilings for both Recurrent and Capital expenditure estimates. (See Appendices 1 and 2 respectively).
- **1.3** Ministries are also urged to find innovative ways of increasing domestic revenue and to improve on the existing revenue channels.
- **1.4** It is important that the deadlines for submissions and budget discussions are observed to enable delivery of the budget to Cabinet and Parliament on schedule as proposed below.