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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