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Hon. Minister of Finance
Hon. Deputy Minister of Finance
The Secretary to the President
The Secretary to the Cabinet and Head of the Civil Service
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The Director General, Human Resource Management Office (HRMO)
The Commissioner General, National Revenue Authority (NRA)
The Auditor General, Audit Service Sierra Leone
The Chairman, Parliamentary Finance Committee

BUDGET CALL CIRCULAR FOR THE MTEF PERIOD FY2019 - 2021

I INTRODUCTION

1. In accordance with Section 31(1) of the Public Financial Management Act of 2016, I have the pleasure to transmit to you the Budget Call Circular that will guide the preparation of the 2019 budget and the two outer years (2020 and 2021). It is particularly important that MDAs focus on operational activities for 2019 especially geared towards the completion of ongoing programmes and projects focused on the policies and programmes in the new direction. Good quality plans will have a positive impact on resource allocation and budget execution.

2. The purpose of this Circular therefore is to communicate:

- i) guidelines to Budgetary Agencies in preparing their budget proposals;
- ii) indicative resource envelope and MDA expenditure ceilings for FY 2019 and the medium term;
- iii) Government's priorities for FY 2019 in line with the Presidential Address delivered on the Occasion of State Opening of the First Session of the Fifth Parliament of the Second Republic of Sierra Leone which is