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From: Electoral Commissioner

To: Heads of Ministries/Departments

**APPLICATIONS FROM GOVERNMENT OFFICERS WILLING TO WORK FOR
“HOUSE-TO-HOUSE INQUIRY (CANVASS)” AND/OR ELECTIONS**

The Office of the Electoral Commissioner is presently updating the list of eligible public officers who are willing to work for “house-to-house inquiry” and/or elections, i.e. National Assembly Elections, Municipal City Council and Municipal Town Council Elections and Village Council Elections.

2. As you may be aware, election work requires the release of officers from their official duties for a few days, whereas the “house-to-house inquiry” is invariably performed outside normal office hours. Both duties are remunerated at rates approved by the Secretary to Cabinet and Head of the Civil Service.

3. The relevant application form [*in recto and verso*] is herewith annexed for distribution to public officers of your Ministry/Department whose release for the above-mentioned exercises should not unduly affect the work of your Ministry/Department.

4. It is emphasized that the following officers are **not eligible** to work for the said exercises:

- (a) those who have taken up employment in parastatal and statutory bodies, local authorities or the private sector; or
- (b) those who are on leave without pay; or
- (c) those who are employed in the service on a contract basis; or
- (d) those who have resigned or retired from the Civil Service; or
- (e) those who are under interdiction or have been dismissed.

5. Officers from the grade of “workmen class” are not eligible; however they may be enlisted to work in exceptional cases, where there is a shortage of public officers.

6. The completed application forms must **bear the official seal** of the respective Ministry/Department and must be submitted to this Office along with **a list of the names of applicants by 30 September 2022 at latest**.

7. Officers should be duly informed –

- (a) of the conditions for eligibility to work for the above exercises (as laid down at Paragraphs 4 and 5);
- (b) **not to apply directly to this Office (either personally or by letter) to offer their services;**

- (c) that incomplete, wrong or inaccurate application forms as well as those not bearing the official seal of the Ministry/Department/Commission will not be considered;
 - (d) **that those who have worked for previous elections and/or “house-to-house inquiries” and/or who have submitted applications in the past should also submit FRESH applications;** and
 - (e) that individual or late applications will **not** be considered.
8. Application forms can also be downloaded from the website of this Office at <http://electoral.govmu.org>
9. As in the past this Office relies on the entire cooperation of all Heads of Ministries/Departments/ Commissions so that **all eligible officers, including those posted in the different sections, outstations or branches** under their aegis, and those **on leave**, are given an opportunity to submit their application forms **in due time**.
10. Your cooperation and assistance will be highly appreciated.

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Electoral Commissioner

Copy to: Secretary to Cabinet and Head of the Civil Service

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