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All Secretaries to Ministries.

Use of Public Enterprise Resources by Ministries

Your attention is drawn to the Public Enterprises Guidelines for Good Governance.

The Auditor General has on several occasions reported that individual Ministries use resources of public enterprises to augment Ministry resources to carry out normal duties. Such resources include use of vehicles, staff, premises and allocations for foreign travel.

It is observed that several Ministries still use public enterprise's resources for Ministry purposes. This practice is not in keeping with proper budgetary management of such enterprises and will distort the true expenditures of Ministry operations. It is also a violation of Public Enterprises Guidelines for Good Governance.

You are therefore advised to appraise your Hon. Minister of the above situation and ensure that resources of public enterprises are not used for Ministry purposes.

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