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From : Senior Chief Executive, Ministry of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms
To : Supervising Officers in charge of Ministries/Departments

Africa Public Service Day

The Africa Public Service Day has by now become an annual event on the African Union calendar. Emanating from the declaration of the first Pan-African Conference of Ministers of Public/ Civil Service held in Tangier, Morocco in 1994, the Ministers agreed that the 23rd of June every year should be celebrated as Africa Public Service Day to "recognize the value and virtue of service to the community".

2. Africa Public Service Day serves as a platform for the Public/ Civil Service to showcase and reward good initiatives and achievements in the public sector, and it provides an invaluable opportunity for public servants to promote values such as professionalism, accountability, responsiveness, ethics and performance in the delivery of public service. Since the year 2014, the Africa Public Service Day is marked by an event. The theme for 2017 is “The Future is Now: Accelerating Public Service Innovation for Agenda 2030”.

3. This Ministry is hereby inviting all Ministries/Departments to consider organising, at their end, appropriate activities to celebrate the Africa Public Service Day under the abovementioned theme.

4. In due course and at latest by 30 May 2017, this Ministry would appreciate being informed of any activities that you propose to organise to mark the event.

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