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From: Supervising Officer, Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms

To : Supervising Officers i/c Ministries/Departments

All Africa Public Sector Innovations Awards 2007

The All Africa Public Sector Innovations Awards (AAPSIA) is an initiative of the Pan African Conference of Ministers of Civil Service and Mauritius has been designated to champion this Award Scheme in Africa. The AAPSIA is the first continental Africa-wide awards programme that celebrates innovation in the public sector. The objectives of the AAPSIA are:-

- (i) to recognize and reward the achievements of public servants and their partners from the private and not-for-profit sectors who have successfully developed innovative solutions to service delivery and governance challenges;
- (ii) to recognize successful and effective service delivery projects and initiatives that have been achieved through the application of innovative approaches, methodologies and tools;
- (iii) to promote and encourage best practice in public sector innovation and service delivery; and
- (iv) to provide opportunities for information sharing, lesson learning, partnerships and the possible replication of successful initiatives all over the African continent.

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- 2. Participation can be in any of the following three categories:-
 - (i) Innovative Service Delivery Improvements;
 - (ii) Innovative Partnerships between Government, Private Sector and Civil Society Organizations;
 - (iii) Innovations in the Systems and Processes of Governance.
- 3. All public sector organisations, including parastatals, are eligible for participation. However, the projects which are presented should pinpoint direct benefits accruing to the citizens of Mauritius or the African continent and should have been in existence for 2 years or more. Details of the AAPSIA Programme and Submission Form are available on the following website:-

http://civilservice.gov.mu

4. Nominations should be forwarded by 30 June 2007 as per Submission Form directly to:

Ms Dudu Mthembu International and African Affairs Ministry of Public Service and Administration Republic of South Africa

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5. It would be appreciated if you could disseminate the contents of this Circular Letter to all Divisions/Units of your Ministry/Department and Parastatal Bodies falling under your aegis and encourage participation in the AAPSIA 2007.

Supervising Officer

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