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From: Senior Chief Executive, Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms

To: Supervising Officers in charge of Ministries/Departments

## Revised Code of Ethics for Public Officers

The revised 'Code of Ethics for Public Officers' was launched by Hon. A.K. Gungah, Minister of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms on 24 November 2010.

- 2. It replaces the existing 'Code of Ethics for Public Officers' which was published in May 2007. As for the previous document, the *revised 'Code of Ethics for Public Officers'* sets out the standards of expected conduct and behavior for public officers as well as the guiding principles for consolidating the integrity of the civil service and enhancing trust of the public therein. In line with the Maurice Ile Durable concept and new developments, it includes the following three new areas:
  - the prohibition by law of smoking and consuming alcoholic drinks at the workplace;
  - the adoption of a Green Behaviour; and
  - the conduct of officers during pre-election period.
- 3. The main aim of the revised 'Code of Ethics for Public Officers' is to ensure good governance through the promotion of an ethical culture within the civil service. For good governance to prevail, it is crucial that the civil service be staffed with ethical public officers. The values set in the revised 'Code of Ethics for Public Officers' should be adopted by one and all.

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- 4. May I request you to promote these values within your Ministry/Department so that Public Officers across the service are fully sensitized thereon and the credibility of the civil service is collectively upheld. Accordingly, copies of the 'Code of Ethics for Public Officers' are herewith enclosed. The document is also accessible online on the website of the Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms at: http://civilservice.gov.mu
- I rely on your full collaboration and support for the development of an ethical culture within the Civil Service.

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