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

To: Supervising Officers i/c Ministries/Departments

Australia Awards – Africa Fellowships 2014

The Australian Government, in partnership with the Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms, is offering Africa Fellowships in 2014 to African countries, including Mauritius. The Africa Fellowships will normally last for three months and the fields of study are as follows:

➢ Agriculture/Food Security
   • Soil and Water Conservation Agriculture
   • Post Harvest Management
   • Livestock

➢ Public Policy
   • Organizational and Employee Development
   • Public - Private Partnerships
   • Trade

2. The aim of these Australia Awards Fellowships is to foster and strengthen capacity of partner countries, in the areas mentioned above, for mid to senior level professionals.

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3. The Australian government will cover the full cost of tuition fees, training materials, accommodation, living expenses, health insurance for basic medical and hospital care in Australia and in Africa, and travel within Africa and to and from Australia. Female candidates and persons with a disability are strongly encouraged to apply.

4. Applicants should read the information contained in the box ‘Desired Applicant Profile’ (DAP) for the relevant field of study which includes details of course content to ensure that they meet the criteria before completing the application form. Applicants can download the Preliminary Application Form and other documents from the Mauritius page of http://www.australiaawardsafrica.org or from this Ministry’s website: http://civilservice.gov.mv. The deadline of submission of preliminary applications is **Friday 17 January 2014**

5. Applications should be submitted either electronically as per instructions on the website (www.australiaawardsafrica.org) or in hard copy directly to Australia Awards (Africa), Pretoria Office, Senior Manager-Awards, GRM International Pty Ltd, 1140 Prospect Street, Level 3, Building 3, Hatfield Square, Hatfield, Pretoria, 0028, South Africa. A hard copy of the application should be submitted to The Senior Chief Executive, Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms, Attn: Mr S. Ramasawmy, 4th Floor, Atom House, Royal Street, Port Louis, through the Supervising Officer of the candidate.

6. Before submitting their application, officers should imperatively need to obtain confirmation from their respective Supervising Officers that they would be released on being selected for the Africa Fellowships. Upon selection, officers of the civil service would be granted study leave with pay.

7. It would be appreciated if the content of this Circular Letter could be brought the soonest possible to the attention of all eligible public officers serving in the different Divisions of your Ministry/Department including Statutory Bodies falling under the purview of your Ministry.

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Senior Chief Executive

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