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14th November 2011

The Permanent Secretary to the President
All Permanent Secretaries
The Commander, BDF
The Commissioner of Police
Attorney-General
Auditor-General
The Registrar of the High Court of Botswana
The Registrar of Industrial Court
The Director General, Directorate on Intelligence and Security
The Director General, Government Implementation and Coordination Office
The Director, Directorate on Corruption and Economic Crime
The Ombudsman
Clerk of the National Assembly
The Secretary, Independent Electoral Commission
All District Commissioners
All Chairpersons, Ministerial Tender Committees

Dear Sir/Madam:

SUBJECT: CONSOLIDATION OF GOVERNMENT INITIATIVES ON PROCUREMENT

The above subject matter refers.

The Board has noted that there are numerous empowerment initiatives conceived and driven by the various addressees. The initiatives are applauded in so far as they are geared towards the betterment of our nation in the area of citizen empowerment. It has been noted further that some of the initiatives border on public procurement and asset disposal. Part VIII of the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Act makes provision for formulation of empowerment initiatives and policies by Government. It is believed that the said initiatives are conceived under the said provisions of the Act.

Further, Part V of the Act mandates the Board to ensure that all decisions on public procurement and asset disposal carries within themselves and/or promotes certain stipulated principles. The Board is however not formally

notified of the ongoing initiatives, does not fully understand their import and is not in a position to answer to as the procurement authority. In line with this mandate, the Board is concerned that as matters stand, there is no coordinated approach and management of the various initiatives and it is not even known whether or not they are carried out in line with the principles and processes enshrined in the public procurement legislation. The Board as the custodian of public procurement wishes to receive, consolidate all the initiatives bordering on public procurement and to ensure proper coordination, monitoring effective implementation and alignment with statute where necessary. Lastly, it is also desirable that the initiatives are widely publicized and provided for in the public domain to promote transparency and confidence in our processes.

For the foregoing, the Board requests to be furnished with all procurement related empowerment initiatives planned and implemented in all Government Ministries and Departments for its appreciation and possible guidance in the implementation of such. It would be appreciated if we could receive this information not later than the 16th December 2011.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,



BRIDGET P JOHN
EXECUTIVE CHAIRPERSON