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GUYANA

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BRICKDAM,  
GEORGETOWN,  
GUYANA.

**2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2017**


**To: All Members of the National Assembly**

**Dear Hon. Member,**

Attached, please find the 2018 Annual Budget Proposals of Constitutional Agencies and the recommendations and comments of the Minister of Finance thereon.

Please note that the Annual Budget Proposals of Constitutional Agencies, which will be laid at today's Sitting, 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2017, will be considered at the next Sitting of the National Assembly.

**Yours sincerely,**

  
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**S.E. ISAACS, A.A.,**  
**Clerk of the National Assembly**

**MINISTER'S RECOMMENDATIONS & COMMENTS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL AGENCIES' BUDGET 2018**

Agency	Actual Expenditure 2016 G\$'000	Budget 2017 + Supplementary Provision G\$'000			Budget 2018 Request G\$'000			Budget 2018 Recommended G\$'000			MoF Comments
		Current	Capital	Total	Current	Capital	Total	Current	Capital	Total	
<b>Parliament Office</b>	<b>1,326,408</b>	1,442,546	76,960	<b>1,519,506</b>	1,600,177	139,655	<b>1,739,832</b>	1,482,100	96,000	<b>1,578,100</b>	The recommended allocation takes into account the economic outlook for 2018 for revenue, expenditure and growth in the economy, challenges in implementation encountered in 2017 and annualisation of salaries. Please note Budget 2018 submission did not fulfill the requirements of the 2018 Budget Circular, paragraph 4.4, i.e. no procurement plan was submitted for Budget 2018.
<b>Office of the Auditor General</b>	<b>701,810</b>	722,068	32,842	<b>754,910</b>	826,903	17,519	<b>844,422</b>	766,357	17,519	<b>783,876</b>	The recommended allocation takes into account the economic outlook for 2018 for revenue, expenditure and growth in the economy, challenges in implementation encountered in 2017 and annualisation of salaries. Please note Budget 2018 submission did not fulfill the requirements of the 2018 Budget Circular, paragraph 4.4, i.e. no procurement plan was submitted for Budget 2018.
<b>Public and Police Service Commission</b>	<b>86,954</b>	87,377	4,226	<b>91,603</b>	138,484	20,225	<b>158,709</b>	92,140	3,000	<b>95,140</b>	The recommended allocation takes into account the economic outlook for 2018 for revenue, expenditure and growth in the economy, challenges in implementation encountered in 2017 and annualisation of salaries. Please note Budget 2018 submission did not fulfill the requirements of the 2018 Budget Circular, paragraph 4.4, i.e. no procurement plan was submitted for Budget 2018.
<b>Teaching Service Commission</b>	<b>95,359</b>	108,771	15,181	<b>123,952</b>	114,742	10,416	<b>125,158</b>	114,742	10,416	<b>125,158</b>	The recommended allocation takes into account the economic outlook for 2018 for revenue, expenditure and growth in the economy, challenges in implementation encountered in 2017, annualisation of salaries. Please note Budget 2018 submission did not fulfill the requirements of the 2018 Budget Circular, paragraph 4.4, i.e. no procurement plan was submitted for Budget 2018.
<b>Guyana Elections Commission</b>	<b>3,098,321</b>	1,909,933	120,000	<b>2,029,933</b>	3,522,320	192,890	<b>3,715,210</b>	2,739,910	160,090	<b>2,900,000</b>	Substantial increase in allocation is due to the hosting of Local Government Elections in 2018. The recommended allocation also takes into account the economic outlook for 2018 for revenue, expenditure and growth in the economy, challenges in implementation encountered in 2017 and annualisation of salaries. Please note Budget 2018 submission did not fulfill the requirements of the 2018 Budget Circular, paragraph 4.4, i.e. no procurement plan was submitted for Budget 2018.

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<b>Supreme Court</b>	<b>1,712,287</b>	1,517,279	248,800	<b>1,766,079</b>	1,826,587	927,276	<b>2,753,863</b>	1,564,354	310,376	<b>1,874,730</b>	The recommended allocation takes into account the economic outlook for 2018 for revenue, expenditure and growth in the economy, challenges in implementation encountered in 2017 and annualisation of salaries. Please note Budget 2018 submission did not fulfill the requirements of the 2018 Budget Circular, paragraph 4.4, i.e. no procurement plan was submitted for Budget 2018.
<b>Public Prosecutions</b>	<b>152,337</b>	153,972	14,385	<b>168,357</b>	203,902	19,980	<b>223,882</b>	160,290	14,000	<b>174,290</b>	The recommended allocation takes into account the economic outlook for 2018 for revenue, expenditure and growth in the economy, challenges in implementation encountered in 2017 and annualisation of salaries. Please note Budget 2018 submission did not fulfill the requirements of the 2018 Budget Circular, paragraph 4.4, i.e. no procurement plan was submitted for Budget 2018.
<b>Office of the Ombudsman</b>	<b>43,237</b>	48,311	-	<b>48,311</b>	62,429	1,669	<b>64,098</b>	56,144	1,669	<b>57,813</b>	The recommended allocation takes into account the economic outlook for 2018 for revenue, expenditure and growth in the economy, challenges in implementation encountered in 2017 and annualisation of salaries. Please note Budget 2018 submission did not fulfill the requirements of the 2018 Budget Circular, paragraph 4.4, i.e. no procurement plan was submitted for Budget 2018.
<b>Public Service Appellate Tribunal*</b>	<b>2,318</b>	30,052	5,000	<b>35,052</b>	84,464	21,086	<b>105,550</b>	46,884	5,000	<b>51,884</b>	Increased allocation caters for full year operating expenses due to the appointment of a Chairman and two members in May 2017. The recommended allocation also takes into account the economic outlook for 2018 for revenue, expenditure and growth in the economy, challenges in implementation encountered in 2017 and annualisation of salaries. Please note Budget 2018 submission did not fulfill the requirements of the 2018 Budget Circular, paragraph 4.4, i.e. no procurement plan was submitted for Budget 2018.
<b>Ethnic Relations Commission</b>	<b>49,429</b>	83,482	1,500	<b>84,982</b>	142,269	-	<b>142,269</b>	86,534	-	<b>86,534</b>	The recommended allocation takes into account the economic outlook for 2018 for revenue, expenditure and growth in the economy, challenges in implementation encountered in 2017 and annualisation of salaries. Please note Budget 2018 submission did not fulfill the requirements of the 2018 Budget Circular, paragraph 4.4, i.e. no procurement plan was submitted for Budget 2018.

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<b>Judicial Service Commission</b>	<b>7,043</b>	10,020	-	<b>10,020</b>	10,020	-	<b>10,020</b>	10,020	-	<b>10,020</b>	The recommended allocation takes into account the economic outlook for 2018 for revenue, expenditure and growth in the economy, challenges in implementation encountered in 2017 and annualisation of salaries. Please note Budget 2018 submission did not fulfill the requirements of the 2018 Budget Circular, paragraph 4.4, i.e. no procurement plan was submitted for Budget 2018.
<b>Indigenous People's Commission</b>	<b>21,242</b>	24,144	280	<b>24,424</b>	27,372	-	<b>27,372</b>	25,683	-	<b>25,683</b>	The recommended allocation takes into account the economic outlook for 2018 for revenue, expenditure and growth in the economy, challenges in implementation encountered in 2017 and annualisation of salaries. Please note Budget 2018 submission did not fulfill the requirements of the 2018 Budget Circular, paragraph 4.4, i.e. no procurement plan was submitted for Budget 2018.
<b>Human Rights Commission</b>	<b>18,964</b>	30,000	4,110	<b>34,110</b>	31,113	-	<b>31,113</b>	31,113	-	<b>31,113</b>	The recommended allocation takes into account the economic outlook for 2018 for revenue, expenditure and growth in the economy, challenges in implementation encountered in 2017 and annualisation of salaries. Please note Budget 2018 submission did not fulfill the requirements of the 2018 Budget Circular, paragraph 4.4, i.e. no procurement plan was submitted for Budget 2018.
<b>Rights of the Child Commission</b>	<b>33,120</b>	41,156	425	<b>41,581</b>	53,475	330	<b>53,805</b>	42,365	330	<b>42,695</b>	The recommended allocation takes into account the economic outlook for 2018 for revenue, expenditure and growth in the economy, challenges in implementation encountered in 2017 and annualisation of salaries. Please note Budget 2018 submission did not fulfill the requirements of the 2018 Budget Circular, paragraph 4.4, i.e. no procurement plan was submitted for Budget 2018.
<b>Women and Gender Equality Commission</b>	<b>36,099</b>	40,820	1,180	<b>42,000</b>	45,297	700	<b>45,997</b>	42,435	700	<b>43,135</b>	The recommended allocation takes into account the economic outlook for 2018 for revenue, expenditure and growth in the economy, challenges in implementation encountered in 2017 and annualisation of salaries. Please note Budget 2018 submission did not fulfill the requirements of the 2018 Budget Circular, paragraph 4.4, i.e. no procurement plan was submitted for Budget 2018.

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<b>Public Procurement Commission*</b>	-	110,373	27,946	<b>138,319</b>	240,812	11,100	<b>251,912</b>	169,786	7,880	<b>177,666</b>	The recommended allocation takes into account the economic outlook for 2018 for revenue, expenditure and growth in the economy, challenges in implementation encountered in 2017 and annualisation of salaries. Please note Budget 2018 submission did not fulfill the requirements of the 2018 Budget Circular, paragraph 4.4, i.e. no procurement plan was submitted for Budget 2018.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,384,928</b>	<b>6,360,304</b>	<b>552,835</b>	<b>6,913,139</b>	<b>8,930,366</b>	<b>1,362,846</b>	<b>10,293,212</b>	<b>7,430,857</b>	<b>626,980</b>	<b>8,057,837</b>	

\* Supplementary Provisions were approved for Public Service Appellate Tribunal (\$22.5m) and Public Procurement Commission (\$62.1m) in 2017