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TREASURY CIRCULAR NO. 10/2022

To: ALL CABINET SECRETARIES

ALL PRINCIPAL SECRETARIES/ACCOUNTING OFFICERS

RE: INVOLVEMENT OF THE NATIONAL TREASURY IN DUE DILIGENCE

EXERCISES BY MINISTRIES, DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

It is noted that various Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) have been requesting for the participation of the National Treasury in due diligence exercises in order to determine the technical, financial and legal capacity of the contractor/supplier to undertake implementation of various projects.

In view of the above, we wish to remind all MDAs that Section 83 (1) of the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal (PPAD) Act, 2015 on Post-qualification provides that 'an evaluation committee may, after tender evaluation, but prior to the award of the tender, conduct due diligence and present the report in writing to confirm and verify the qualifications of the tenderer who submitted the lowest evaluated responsive tender to be awarded the contract in accordance with this Act.'

Given that the due diligence exercise forms part of procurement process which should be handled by the Accounting Officers of relevant MDA as a procuring entity in line with PPAD Act, 2015, the National Treasury has no role in the procurement process and should not be involved in the due diligence exercises. Kindly note that the National Treasury is mandated to source and mobilize financial resources for approved projects in line with the Public Finance Management Act, 2012.

Kindly be advised accordingly.

Yours

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