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INTERPRETATION ACT (CHAPTER 1)

DELEGATION OF POWERS (MINISTRY OF FINANCE) NOTIFICATION 1999

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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 36 of the Interpretation Act, the Minister for Finance, with the approval of the President, hereby makes the following Notification:

Citation and commencement

1. This Notification may be cited as the Delegation of Powers (Ministry of Finance) Notification 1999 and shall be deemed to have come into operation on 1st November 1998.

Definitions

2. For the purposes of this Notification —

“accounting officer” means any public officer who is appointed by any Permanent Secretary to the Ministry of Finance to account for the management of Funds voted under specified heads of the estimates of expenditure;

“Approving Authority” means any person or committee authorised by the Minister for Finance to consider and

approve proposals involving expenditure chargeable to the Development Estimates;

“Establishment List” means the list laid before Parliament under section 17 (2) of the Financial Procedure Act (Cap. 109).

Officers deputed to exercise certain budgetary powers

3.—(1) The Minister for Finance, with the approval of the President, hereby deposes any accounting officer to exercise the power conferred upon the Minister by section 4 (2) of the Development Fund Act (Cap. 80) except where the transfer of funds is for the purpose of supplementing or creating a subhead which relates to loans or capital grants or to any expenditure not previously approved by any Approving Authority.

(2) The Minister for Finance, with the approval of the President, hereby also deposes —

- (a) the Permanent Secretaries, Deputy Secretaries, Directors and Deputy Directors of the Ministry of Finance to exercise the powers conferred by section 17 (3) of the Financial Procedure Act (Cap. 109) in respect of all posts in the Establishment List except political appointments; and
- (b) the accounting officers of all Ministries and Organs of State to exercise the powers conferred by section (17) (3) of the Financial Procedure Act except that —
 - (i) the addition or alteration to the Establishment List shall not result in an increase in the total number of political appointments whose salaries and other emoluments are to be met from the allocations of funds under the head of expenditure; and
 - (ii) the addition or alteration to the Establishment List shall not result in an increase in the total expenditure under the head of expenditure.