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To: Permanent Secretaries
Directors General
Directors and
Heads of Corporations, Parastatal
Organisations and other Entities
with a Government controlling interest

**RECRUITMENT, PROMOTIONS AND OTHER ACTION CONCERNING
PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES IN PARASTATAL ORGANISATIONS
AND IN COMPANIES WITH A GOVERNMENT INTEREST**

Parliament has been dissolved on 1 May 2017 and the General Election will be held on 3 June 2017.

The Prime Minister has instructed me to convey the Government's decision that as from today until a new Cabinet is formed following the General Election, no new processes of recruitment, appointments, promotions or other changes affecting the conditions of service of staff should be initiated. However processes already underway should of course be brought to a conclusion. Exceptional circumstances, where an urgent replacement is required, will be considered on a case by case basis by the Monitoring Committee set up for the purpose.

It should be stressed that this directive applies not only to Government Departments but also to Parastatal organisations, as well as to companies and other bodies in which the Government has a controlling interest or over which it has effective control.

Strict compliance with this directive is required in the interest of good administration.

A Committee composed of Minister Dr George W Vella, the undersigned and both OPM's Permanent Secretaries has been set up to monitor the correct implementation of this circular. In case of difficulty the Committee should be contacted on e-mail managementsupport.opm@gov.mt

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