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Per Diem Rates for Spouses of Selected Government Officials

The attention of Permanent Secretaries, Heads of Departments and Chief Executive Officers of Public Bodies is invited to the following new guideline with respect to per diem for spouses of selected Government Officials while on official visits abroad.

You are hereby advised that per diem should be paid to the spouses of selected officials, accompanying their wives/husbands on official duties abroad in circumstances where protocol requires their presence on the trip.

The selected public officials include:

- Governor General
- Prime Minister
- Deputy Prime Minister
- Minister of Finance and the Public Service
- Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade
- Other Ministers of Government **representing** the Prime Minister and subject to approval of the Prime Minister.

In accordance with Cabinet Decision No. 26/08 dated August 11, 2008, the per diem rates to be paid to spouses of the above officials, shall be equivalent to that paid to senior public officers.

Permanent Secretaries, Heads of Department and Chief Executive Officers are asked to ensure that this Circular is brought to the attention of all officers concerned.

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