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DIVISION: PUBLIC SERVICE ESTABLISHMENT

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## Tertiary Assistance Programme for Public Sector Employees

This Circular provides clarification on the method of calculation of the interest rate applicable to the Tertiary Assistance loans.

## Interest Rate

In accordance with paragraph (i) of Circular No. 34 dated August 8, 2006, interest rate on all Tertiary Assistance loans is to be calculated at the rate of 5% on the reducing balance monthly and paid quarterly until the loan is fully repaid. Effective Immediately payment must be submitted to the Accountant General's Department on a quarterly basis (March, June, September and December) each year.

Consequent on the calculation of interest on the straight-line method, which has occurred over the last several months, any excess interest collected by the Accountant General will be credited

## PUBLIC SECTOR/GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES PAYROLL DEDUCTION AUTHORIZATION

Pursuant to Operating Principle #(VI) (Circular #34)

In consideration of an Education/Tertiary Loan of	
(\$ ) being granted to me, I hereby give this IRREVOCABLE	E ORDER
for deductions in the sum of	
(\$ ) to be made from my salary on a monthly/fortnightly bas	is and paid
to the Accountant General's Department.	
This ORDER shall remain in force until the loan of \$	is
fully repaid.	
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Name of Witness Name of Appli	icant
Signature of Witness Signature of App	olicant

 $N.B.: \;\;$  Interest  $\;$  is payable at the rate of 5% on the reducing balance calculated monthly and paid quarterly until the loan is fully repaid.

## Deductions

- (a) 36 monthly deductions
- (b) 24 monthly deductions
- (c) 18 monthly deductions
- (d) 12 monthly deductions