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(Made under section 76 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2015)

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the Judicature (Amendment) Bill, 2023 has been examined as required under Section 76 of the Public Finance Management Act 2015 (as amended).

I wish to report as follows:

a) Objectives of the Bill

The objective of the Bill is to give effect to Articles 130 and 134 of the Constitution by prescribing additional number of Justices of the Supreme Court and Justices of the Court of Appeal. The Bill further seeks Parliament's approval to increase both the number of Justices of the Supreme Court and Court of Appeal to such higher numbers as Parliament may by resolution prescribe.

I further note that the amendment will:

- i. Enable both the Supreme Court and Court of Appeal to effectively and efficiently administer justice to the people of Uganda;
- ii. Promote the rule of law, peace and security and promote investment;
- iii. Correspondingly lead to improved service delivery by the Judiciary, arising out of the elimination of case backlog and correspondingly bring judicial services nearer to the people, to whom judicial power is ultimately vested.

b) Expected Outcomes

Efficient and effective dispensation of Justice as well as promotion of rule of law, peace, security and investment.

c) Expected Outputs

The major expected output is to promote the right to a fair trial, through fair, speedy and public hearings, which will in turn facilitate justice for all.


d) Funding and budgetary implications

The associated financial implications are integrated in the Judiciary staff establishment/structure approved by Cabinet under Minute 177 (CT 2021) but not yet implemented. However, the implications for increasing the Judges and Justices will require additional Wage funding of UGX. 36.6Bn, additional allowances and other capital and operational costs. These will be incorporated in the budget for the Judiciary in the Medium Term.

e) Expected savings and/or Revenue to Government

There will be savings from the Bill arising from elimination of cases in the Commercial and Land Divisions of the High Court that will release to the economy the equivalent financial value of approximately UGX. 83 Trillion, currently pending court decisions.

Submitted under my hand this 19th day of October 2023


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MINISTER OF FINANCE, PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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24th October 2023