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PUBLIC PROCUREMENT CIRCULAR NO. 1/2008

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To: All Accounting Officers

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All Managers, Co-operative Societies

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All Principals, Public Colleges/ Schools

All Chairmen, CDF Committees

**NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS FROM
STAKEHOLDERS OF THE PUBLIC PROCUREMENT SYSTEM IN
KENYA**

The Government of Kenya enacted the Public Procurement and Disposal Act, 2005 for the purpose of establishing procedures that govern procurement of goods, works and services and disposal of unserviceable, obsolete or surplus stores and equipment by public entities in order to achieve the following objectives:-

- (a) Maximize economy and efficiency
- (b) Promote competition and ensure fair treatment for all competitors
- (c) Promote integrity and fairness
- (d) Increase transparency and accountability
- (e) Increase public confidence, and
- (f) The promotion of local industry and economic development.

This Act established the Public Procurement Oversight Authority (PPOA) among other bodies, with a general mandate to oversee the public procurement process in Kenya.

In order to facilitate achievement of the above objectives, on 29th December, 2006, the Minister for Finance promulgated the Public Procurement and Disposal Regulations, 2006 vide Legal Notice No. 74, pursuant to Section 140 of the Act. These Regulations operationalised the Public Procurement & Disposal Act from 1st January, 2007.

Section 134 of the Act mandates the Director-General of the PPOA to convene meetings at least annually for the purpose of consulting with persons in the public and private sectors who have an interest in the proper functioning of the public procurement system. Pursuant to the aforesaid Section, the PPOA now invites comments from all interested stakeholders of the public procurement system in Kenya.

The stakeholders' submissions shall determine the agenda for the 1st Annual Public Procurement & Disposal Stakeholders Conference/Forum to be held on a date and a venue that will be announced in due course. All deliberations in the planned consultative meeting will be considered for the purpose of improving the public procurement system in Kenya.

All memoranda of comments should be submitted or faxed to me in the above stated address, or E-mail to:

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gwkuria@treasury.go.ke

Or by hand delivery at:-

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So as to reach not later than 6th February, 2008

You may use all the aforementioned PPOA contacts for further information.


**ROBERT R. HUNJA
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