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Telecommunications and Radiocommunications Regulator

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Subject: World Telecommunication and Information Society Day (WTISD) May 18th 2012

Dear Regulator,

The World Telecommunication and Information Society Day (WTISD) is celebrated each year on 17th May to mark the anniversary of the signature of the first International Convention in 1865 which led to the creation of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU). The ITU Secretary General, Dr Hamadoun I. Toure invites all member states and sector members of ITU to celebrate the 147th anniversary of ITU.

As the Minister responsible for ICT and Telecommunication of Vanuatu, and by virtue of being a member of ITU, I has taken the initiative to celebrate the WTISD, and at the same time launch its first ever ICT Day in Vanuatu which will become an annual event.

This year event however will be held on 18th May 2012 since the 17th May is a public holiday.

With the availability of resources and capacity obtained in your office, I as Minister responsible for ICT and Telecommunication hereby give my approval and support for the World ICT Day working team to proceed in coordinating and planning of activities to celebrate this event.

This event is significant as it will support the draft National ICT Service Policy which aims to achieve the Government vision of "ICT for All", where it also incorporated

within the Government the Government Priority Action Agenda (PAA) 2006 – 2015 and the Planning Long Action Short (PLAS) as approved by the Government of Vanuatu.

In addition, it is my pleasure to inform you that I will make myself available to officially open this first ever World ICT Day celebration in Vanuatu.

Thank you for your cooperation in this event and continuous support to the developments in the newly established Office of the Government Chief Information Officer (OGCIO).

Sincerely,



Hon. Melfek Sato KILMAN LIVTUNVANU (MP)
Prime Minister

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