

RESOLUTION OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ON COVID-19 AUDIT

WHEREAS the National Assembly considered the recommendations of FPAC on the Auditor General's report on the Government, Covid-19 Phase 1 & 2 Audit;

RECOGNISING the good work of the Auditor General;

APPLAUDING the FPAC for working during odd hours to deliver a comprehensive report;

COGNIZANT of the provisions of the 1997 Constitution of the Gambia, Public Finance Act 2014 and the Financial Regulations of 2016;

TAKING NOTE of the previous resolution on the consolidated FPAC report of the 5th Legislature to consolidate the resolutions of both phases of the Covid-19 report;

NOW THEREFORE RESOLVED:

1. That the Executive Director of the NDMA must account for all undelivered food items worth over 100 million dalasis, on or before the 25th September, 2023 to the Accountant General and notify the FPAC, failure of which, the Inspector General of Police must launch an investigation immediately and report back to FPAC within 90 days;
2. That the Executive Director of the NDMA to account for the shortage of delivery of Oil by the International Commodity Insurance worth GMD 37, 653, 700.00 and the money to be deposited to the National Treasury on or before the 25th of September, 2023 and notify the Accountant General, the Auditor General and the FPAC, failure of

which, the Inspector General of Police must launch an investigation immediately and report back to FPAC within 90 days;

3. That the Executive Director of the NDMA must provide to the Auditor General and the FPAC, the Certificate of Confiscation of the damaged food items by the Food Safety and Quality Authority (FSQA) on or before the 25th of September, 2023; failure of which, the FSQA will be summoned by FPAC;
4. Whereas the Executive Director fails to deliver the items/sum mentioned in (1, 2 and 3) above, upon expiry of the deadline, The President must consider sending him on administrative leave pending the outcome of the Police investigations;
5. The Permanent Secretary Ministry of Health must produce the missing payment voucher in respect of the payment of GMD1, 650,000.00 to the Auditor General and the FPAC on or before 25th September 2023; failure of which, the Inspector General of Police must launch an investigation immediately and report back to FPAC within 90 days;
6. The Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health must recover the sum of GMD 1, 165, 548. 00 being an overpayment to Covid -19 Frontline Workers and pay the sum to the Accountant General, notify the Auditor General and the FPAC on or before 25th September, 2023; failure of which, the Inspector General of Police must launch an investigation immediately and report back to FPAC within 90 days;
7. The Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health must provide to the Auditor General and FPAC all material evidence relating to the request for quotations from the independent bidders on or before 25th September, 2023, failure of which, the Inspector General of Police

must launch an investigation immediately and report back to FPAC within 90 days;

8. The Gambia Head of Mission in Beijing, Madrid, Addis Ababa and Abu Dhabi, must account for all unpaid Covid-19 funds meant for Gambian students amounting to GMD 1, 380, 186.08, to the Accountant General Department and notify the FPAC by the end of October 2023, failure of which, the Inspector General of Police (IGP) must launch an investigation immediately and report back to FPAC within 90 days;
9. The Director General Gambia Tourism Board (GT Board) must account for the GMD 202,000.00 being difference of monies received from the Government for payment to individuals in the informal sector, on or before 25th September, 2023; failure of which, the Inspector General of Police must launch an investigation immediately and report back to FPAC within 90 days; and
10. The Grant Management Committee (GMC) and Gambia Press Union (GPU) must return to the AGD the sum of GMD 585, 159.86 being the unused funds for the Covid-19 relief support to media houses, on or before 25th September, 2023; failure of which, the Inspector General of Police must launch an investigation immediately and report back to FPAC within 90 days.

Done on this 14th Day of September 2023