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FROM: Chief Education Officer

TO: Deputy Chief Education Officers
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Heads of Practical Instructional Centres

DATE: July 22, 2009

SUBJECT: Prohibition on the use of Alcohol and Alcoholic Beverages and Smoking on school Premises and at School Related Activities.

The Ministry of Education has noted with much concern, the use of alcohol and cigarettes at school-related activities. The well-being of students and teachers is seriously threatened. This situation will no longer be permitted.

With immediate effect, a ban is hereby placed on the use, possession and sale of cigarettes and alcoholic beverages at any school-related activity, be it on or away from the premises.

Any one who contravenes this circular will be subject to disciplinary action.

The entire school population must be informed and reminded of this stipulation, which must be shared at meetings of the Parent-Teacher Association.

Kindly bring this circular to the attention of all members of staff who must affix their signatures as having read and understood same.

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