

## Ministry of Information & Communications Technology

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#### Press Statement

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#### **‘NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT TO REGISTER AND CENTRALIZE ALL GOVERNMENT ELECTRONIC DATA’**

I hereby advise that as per Section 51 of the Digital Government Act 2022, the Department of Information and Communication Technology is required to ‘Establish and Maintain an Electronic Data Register’


In addition, Section 28 of the Digital Government Act 2022, requires the Department of Information and Communications Technology to ‘Establish and Manage the government’s Central Electronic Data Repository’ to which all public bodies are required to back up all electronic data within the Central Electronic Data Repository within ‘one year on the date the Central Electronic Data Repository is established’

‘Electronic Data’ means data entered into an electronic device to be processed, generated, sent, received, stored or shared using a system or device for the purposes of enabling the delivery of digital services and includes, but not limited to, any representation of facts, concepts, and information in the form of text, image, audio, video, multimedia file and machine-readable code or instructions.

All public bodies are hereby advised to work closely with the Department of Information and Communications Technology in implementing these critical mandates.

The Ministry for Information and Communications Technology is responsible for facilitating the whole of government implementation of the Digital Government Act 2022 (the ‘Act’). The Act came into force on 8 August 2022.

Approved for Release

  
**HON. TIMOTHY MASIU, MP**  
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