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### **PRESS RELEASE**

# **OPERATING TIMES FOR LIQUOR OUTLETS DURING PRESIDENT'S HOLIDAYS**

The General Public and Liquor Traders are hereby reminded that the Official Trading Hours as stipulated in the Second Schedule of the Liquor Regulations 2008, Regulation 8 of the Liquor Regulations, 2008 read together with Regulation 25 (2) of the Trade Regulations will prevail during **President's Day** Holidays (Monday 16th July 2018 and Tuesday 17th July 2018), as follows:

- A Bar Liquor Licence authorizes the sale and consumption of liquor on 1. the licensed premises between **1400 hours** and **2200 hours** from Monday to Thursday, 1200 hours to 2300 hours on Friday and Saturday, and **1500 hours** to **2200 hours** on Sundays and Public Holidays.
- 2. A Bottle Store licence authorizes the sale of liquor to members of public for consumption off the premises between **1000 hours** and **1900 hours** on Monday to Saturday. On Sundays and Public Holidays **no** Bottle Store shall be open.
- Wholesale Liquor and Distributor Liquor Licences authorize the sale of liquor between **0800 hours** and **1700 hours** on Monday to Saturday. On Sundays and Public Holidays **no** Wholesale Liquor and Distributor Liquor shall be open.
- 4. A Discotheque/Night Club Licence authorizes the sale and consumption of liquor on licensed premises between 1900 hours and 0000 hours from Monday to Thursday, 1900 hours and 0200 hours on Fridays and Saturdays, **1500 hours** to **2200 hours** on Sundays and Public Holidays.
- 5. A Club Liquor Licence authorizes the sale and consumption of liquor on the licensed premises between 1400 hours and 2200 hours from Monday to Thursday, 1200 hours and 2300 hours on Fridays and Saturdays, **1500 hours** to **2200 hours** on Sundays and Public Holidays.

- 6. A Liquor Depot licence authorizes the sale and consumption of traditional beer on the licensed premises between 1400 hours and 2200 hours from Monday to Thursday, 1200 hours and 2300 hours on Fridays and Saturdays, and 1500 hours to 2200 hours on Sundays and Public Holidays.
- 7. No liquor shall be served in restaurants except between 1200 hours and 1430 hours and between 1830 hours and 2230 hours on a daily basis. Furthermore, a restaurant licensee may serve liquor in an unsealed container, to a person who takes a meal in the licensed premises, for consumption on the premises.
- 8. A Temporary Liquor Licence for festivals and other public activities authorizes the sale of liquor between **1400 hours** and **0000 hours** on Mondays to Saturdays.
- 9. A Temporary Liquor Licence for picnics authorizes the sale of liquor between **1200 hours** to **1900 hours** on Mondays to Saturdays.
- 10. A Temporary Liquor Licence for trade fairs authorizes the sale of liquor between **1200 hours to 1800 hours** on Mondays to Saturdays.
- 11. No Temporary liquor licence is issued for Sundays and Public Holidays.
- 12. Furthermore, the Traditional Beer Regulations, 2011 authorizes sale of declared traditional beer (Khadi, setopoti, Mokuru, Nkumbi and Ila) from residential premises between 1400 hours and 1800 hours from Monday to Thursday, 1200 hours and 1900 hours on Fridays and Saturdays and 1500 hours to 1900 hours on Sundays and Public Holidays.
- 13. All liquor business operators and/managers are therefore, advised to observe and comply with the provisions of the Liquor Act and its Regulations as stated above.

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**PERMANENT SECRETARY**