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Hon'ble Secretary,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Gyalyong Tshogkhang, Thimphu.

Sub: RGoB's Membership to International Organizations

Dear *Dasbo*,

The Government is of the view that the RGoB's membership to many international organizations are growing at an alarming rate. It is found that for some, our country failed to pay the annual membership fee and reached at the termination stage and some membership have become redundant by now. In this regard, the Government has directed that if we need to be members, it is important to pay the membership fee on time to avoid embarrassment to the Country.

The Government also noted that some agencies haven't routed through MoFA to become a membership. In this regard, the Government feels that there is a need to develop proper guidelines for membership with stringent criteria for membership to international organization that would prevent serving small purposes such as training opportunities.

Henceforth, all membership proposals have to be routed through MoFA and OAG, and their recommendations have to be submitted for further approval from the Cabinet. For this, MoFA is directed to share the list of existing RGoB's memberships to Ministries/agencies for their update. After compiling all the updated list, MoFA and MoF are directed to thoroughly study on necessity of memberships and provide recommendation to the Government. Similarly, the above two ministries are also directed to review the past MoUs signed by the RGoB with international agencies and ascertain their existing relevance and importance.

Dasbo / PPD /
Please circulate this to all HODs for compliance.