## GOVERNMENT OF SIERRA LEONE MINISTRY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

10th June, 2020

The Mayor, Freetown City Council Bi-Centenary House, 17 Wallace - Johnson Street Freetown.

Your Worship,

Following our WhatsApp communication on 18th June 2020 on matters relating to concerns raised by the public on increasing property rate in Freetown, I write to request that any planned increase be put on hold until the ramifications Freetonians during this difficult Covid -19 economic time are given proper consideration. You will agree with me, that Government has been making tremendous effort to reduce the economic impact on Sierra Leoneans by implementing several policies to reduce the burden on livelihoods.

It is the position of this Ministry that the proposed increase would inevitably result in all round increase in prizes and consequently impact the lives of Freetonians in a negative way.

In view of your response to my proposed meeting on Tuesday 23rd June 2020, I have created time for us to meet Friday 26th June 2020 at 10am in my office.

I trust this is all in good order.

Yours sincerely,

Minister of Local Government and Rural Development

Cc: Hon. Vice President

Chief Minister

Minister of Finance