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PUBLIC NOTICE

AUTOMATED VALUE ADDED TAX (VAT) FILING & COLLECTION SYSTEM

AUTOMATED VAT COLLECTION SYSTEM FOR FIRS COVERING; BRANDED SHOPS, SUPER STORES, GENERAL SUPERMARKETS, STANDARD RESTAURANTS AND EATERIES NATIONWIDE.

The Federal Inland Revenue Service wishes to inform the general public of its AUTOMATED VAT COLLECTION SYSTEM for; Branded Shops, Super Stores, General Supermarkets, Standard Restaurants and Eateries Nationwide.

This program will enable efficient and seamless collection and remittance of VAT on all vatable transactions in the wholesale / Retail sector as well as enable direct audit/reconciliation of all VAT transactions to ensure compliance with relevant tax laws.

Effective from **April 1, 2020**, the Automated VAT Platform [**VATrac**] becomes the approved channel for all VAT returns filing and payment processing, hence your compliance and timely connectivity with the FIRS automated VAT platform is mandatory.

By this notice, all categories of the aforementioned businesses are hereby implored to liaise with the nearest FIRS Tax Office in order to be connected to the FIRS eVAT platform for access and timely compliance.

Furthermore, you are to also ensure that your Transactions/Sales Receipts to customers must henceforth show the following tokens;

- 1) FIRS Tax Identification Number [TIN] or Joint Tax Board TIN
- 2) Print Date
- 3) Goods/Product Description
- 4) Receipt Number
- 5) Grand Total billed to the customer
- 6) Standard 7.5% VAT amount applicable on the total [as a line item]

As with other FIRS services, please note that the new eVAT Platform is for your 'ease of business' with FIRS and has no disruptive or negative impact on your routine [daily operations] and existing systems, as the platform is built to interoperate with any standard Point of Sales [POS] / Fiscal machine.

Signed:

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