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Chief Registrar, Supreme Court of Nigeria,

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Accountant-General of the Federation,

Surveyor-General of the Federation,

Directors-General and Heads of Extra-Ministerial Offices/Agencies and

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RESPONSIBILITY FOR PAYMENT OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS TO PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHERS AND OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENT STAFF

The controversy over the appropriate tier of government that is responsible for the payment of retirement benefits to primary school teachers and other local government staff was brought to the attention of the National Council on Establishments (NCE) at its 42nd meeting held in December, 2020 in Ikeja, Lagos State. The Council discussed the matter and upheld the application and validity of extant Circulars, Ref. No. GHQ/CGS/925 of 10th September, 1987 on: "Review of Local Government Pension Fund" and; Ref. No. PNA.32760/S.19/T1/31 of 14th February, 2003 on: "Responsibility for Payment of Retirement Benefits of Primary School Teachers and Other Local Government Staff".

- 2. Accordingly, in line with the provisions of the two circulars, the respective Local Governments' Pension Boards in the States of the Federation shall continue to bear the responsibility for such payments.
- 3. This Circular complements the earlier ones referred to in the preceding paragraph.
- 4. Please, bring the contents of this circular to the attention of all concerned for compliance.

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