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# **AUDITOR GENERAL'S REPORT**



On the Audit the National Identification Registry (NIR) Financial Statements

For the Period ended June 30, 2018

February 2021

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# **Republic of Liberia**

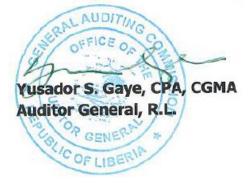


# The Honourable Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro- Tempore of the House of Senate:

We have undertaken the audit of the National Identification Registry (NIR) Financial Statements for the financial year ended June 30, 2016. The audit was conducted under the Auditor General's statutory mandate, as provided for under section 2.1.3 of the GAC Act of 2014.

Findings conveyed in this report have been formally communicated to the Management of the National Identification Registry (NIR). Where responses have been provided by the Management on the audit findings, these have been evaluated and incorporated in this report.

Given the significance of the matters raise in this report, we urge the Hon. Speaker and the members of the House of Representatives and Hon. Pro-Tempore and members of the Liberian Senate to consider the implementation of the recommendations conveyed herein with urgency.



Monrovia, Liberia February 2021

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# AUDITOR GENERAL'S REPORT ON THE NATIONAL IDENTIFICATION REGISTRY (NIR) FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

We have audited the financial statements of the National Identification Registry (NIR), which comprise the statement of Cash Receipt and Payments for the fiscal year ended, the Statement of Comparison Budget and Actual Amounts and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

# Auditor General's Qualified Opinion

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph of our report, the accompanying financial statements present fairly the Statement of Cash Receipts and Payments, the Statement of Comparison of Budget and Actual Amounts and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information for the year then ended in accordance with International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) Cash Basis of Accounting.

# **Basis for Qualified of Opinion**

We noted a variance of US\$36,616.00 between total revenue reported in the NIR Financial Statements from the sale of National Identification Cards and figures reported in the entity's electronic records (data).

The NIR Management did not clearly disclosed in its Financial Statements balances as at June 30, 2018 for the entity's respective accounts domiciled at LBDI and CBL. We noted that the only bulk figures were reported in United States and Liberia Dollars respectively with no indication as to which account those balances represent.

Financial Statements submitted for audit was not in compliance with IPSAS Cash Basis as adopted by GOL.

# Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) Cash Basis of Accounting, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

# Auditor General's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards of Supreme Audit Institutions (ISSAIs). Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the



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assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error.

In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control.

An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our adverse audit opinion.

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Monrovia, Liberia February 2021

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# **General Information**

Registered office: Statistic House, Capitol Hill Monrovia, Liberia

Postal address: Allison Street Congo Town Monrovia Liberia

#### **Review of activities**

Main business and operations of National Identification Registry is to design, establish, maintain and administer implement the National Biometric Identification System (NBIS) of the Republic of Liberia.

#### Results

The Statement of Revenue and Expenditure on page 4 shows a surplus of 79,452 for the year ended June 30 2018 and also a Deficit of (52,219) for the year ended June 30 2017, whilst the Statements of Funds shows US\$187,501 as at June 30 2018 (June 30 2017: US\$30,993) was carried forward as accumulated fund at the end of the year.

#### 3 To the Government of Liberia (GOL)

We have prepared the financial statements of National Identification Registry as set out on pages 4 to 10, which comprise the Statement of Revenue and Expenditure as at June 30 2018, the Statements of Fund balance and the Statements of cash flow for the period then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

National Identification Registry

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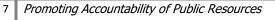
#### NATIONAL IDENTIFICATION REGISTRY

#### STATEMENTS OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2016

Figures in US Dollars	Notes	30 JUNE 2016 US\$
INCOME		4
Income from Government of Liberia Income from sales of ID Cards	2	239,334 -
Total Income		239,334
EXPENDITURE:		
General Allowance/Personnel Cost	3	(128,013)
Communication Expenses	4	(5,388)
Repairs & Maintenance	6	(470)
DSA National Tour/Foreign Travel	7	(39,092)
Advertisement	8	(7,510)
Fuel Expenses	9	(23,947)
Fixed Assets Expenses	10	(95,215)
Petty Cash Expenses	11	(2,500)
Operators Expenses	12	(2,000)
Donation Gift & ENT	13	(607)
Other Expenses	14	(11,844)
Contractor Pay/Consultancy	15	(23,400)
Stationery & Office Supplies	16	(2,255)
Total Expenditure		(342,241)

Surplus/ (Deficit) For the Period	(102,907)





#### NATIONAL IDENTIFICATION REGISTRY **STATEMENTS OF FUND BALANCES** FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2016

Figures in US Dollars	Notes	30 JUNE 2016
Accumulated Fund Balance		
Opening Balances Adjustment for unposted Expenses Surplus/ (Deficit) for the period	5	184,579 (3,861) (102,907)
Fund Balances as at 30 June 2016		77,811



#### NATIONAL IDENTIFICATION REGISTRY **STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS** FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2016

Figures in US Dollars	Notes	30 JUNE 2016
Cash Flows from operating activities		
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year Adjustment for unposted Exp		(102,907) (3,861)
Net Cash Generated from operation		(106,768)
Net Increase (decrease) in cash and Cash and cash at the beginning of the	•	(106,768) 184,625
Cash at the end of the year		77,811
Balance at Bank (US a/C) Balance at Bank (LD a/C)		10,835 66,976
Total		77,811



# ACCOUNTING POLICIES

# a. Reporting Registry

National Identification Registry (NIR) was established by an act that repeals PRC Degree 65 in Liberia as Registry on August 11 2011. The address of NIR is Allison Street Congo Town, Monrovia, Liberia. The principal activity of the Registry to design, establish, maintain and administer implement the National Biometric Identification System (NBIS) of the Republic of Liberia.

# **b. Accounting Policies**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted International accounting principles and the financial regulation of the Government of Liberia. The Financial statement has been prepared using the Cash basis principle.

# c. Functional and presentation currency

These financial statements are presented in US Dollars (US\$) which although the Registry functional currency is both US Dollar and Liberia dollar. All amounts have been rounded to the nearest unit, except when otherwise indicated. All Income received from the Government of Liberia and Expenditure incurred in Liberia Dollar is converted to US Dollar for financial statement presentation using the MOFED and vendor rate respectively at the date of the transaction.

# d. Fixed Asset Recognition and Disclosure

Tangible fixed asset purchased during the period were expensed in the financial statement. Fixed assets record/register exists mainly for control, monitory and audit trail purpose. However, it is the policy of the Registry not to charge depreciation on fixed of Property Plant and Equipment.

#### e. Expenditure

Expenditure is recognized when the obligation to pay has been incurred.



# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### f. Income/ Revenue Recognition

During the year, the Registry received funds from Government of Liberia. Revenue is recognized in the financial statement when cash is received from the Government of Liberia. No Revenue was recorded from the sales of Identification card in this period

#### g. Inventories

No inventory value in the Financial Statement in respect to Stationery and other office suppliers were recorded, all items are expensed at the date of purchase, Inventory record are made for monitory and control purpose.

#### 2. Income from Government of Liberia

	30 JUNE 2016
	US\$
NIR Deposit	22,317
Other NIR Deposit	137,077
NIR Deposit LD Component	79,940
	239,334
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3. General Allowance/Personnel Cost	
Gen Allowance	448
Other General Allowance	127,565
	128,013
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4. Communication Expenses	
Scratch card Allowance	888
Supply of Scratch Cards	4,500
	5,388
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5. Opening Balances Funds	
USD Component	110,756
LD Component	72,823
	184,579



	<b>30 JUNE 2016</b> US\$
6. Repairs & Maintenance	
Purchase of One Tire	225
Vehicle Servicing	245
	470
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7. National Tour/Travel	
DSA for Local Trip	30,588
DSA for Foreign Trip	8,504
	39,092
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8. Advertisement	
PR	1,780
Radio Talk Show	380
Press Conference	260
Media Engagement	300
Other Advert	4,789
	7,510
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9. Fuel Expenses	
Gassoline Allowance	4,894
Fuel Supply	2,929
Purchase of Fuel	16,124
	23,946
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10. Fixed Asset Purchased	
Office Furniture	6,650
Vehicle	74,500
Supply of Office Equipment	5,571
Other Office Equipment	8,494
	95,215
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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)



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		<b>30 JUNE 2016</b> US\$
11.	Petty cash Expenses	
	Cash Replenishment	2,000
	Other Cash expenses	500
		2,500
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12.	Operators Expenses	
	NIR Operators	2,000
		2,000
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13.	Donation & Gift	
	Staff Christmas ENT	607
		607
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14.	Other Expenses Cost of checks books	74
	Cost of checks dooks Civil work	3,618
	In service/Intern	180
	Vehicle insurance	532
	Hall Rental	1,800
	Nationwide engagement	5,640
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		11,844
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15.	Contractor & Consultancy	
	Contractors pay	21,600
	Consultancy fees	1,800
		23,400
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16.	Stationery & Office supplies	
	Printing of Business Cards	280
	Office supplies	804
	Purchase of stationery	1,171
		2,255
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