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Ministry of Public Administration  
and Home Affairs,  
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To: All Secretaries of Ministries  
and Heads of Departments.

Proficiency in the Official Language

The Official Language proficiency requirements relating to public officers are now being reviewed. Punitive action against public officers for non-proficiency in the Official Language such as termination of services and the stoppage of increments are temporarily suspended with effect from 20th June, 1979.

Q2. Any such action taken after 20th June, 1979, should therefore be deemed to be of no effect.

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Secretary,  
Ministry of Public Administration  
and Home Affairs.