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4. The school fees to be paid in three instalments within 2020/2021 academic year.
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8. Parents and PTAs are encouraged to report to the educational authorities any schools charging excessive fees.

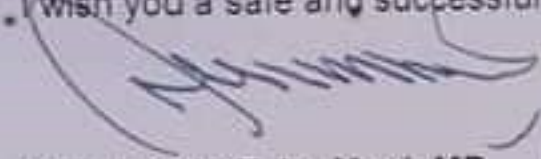
MoGE&I seize this opportunity to reiterate its commitment to supporting and working with private schools to provide quality education in our country. This is particularly important as we are introducing the new National Curriculum for the first time this academic year. For example, with our partners, we will provide all schools with personal protection equipment (PPE) materials, free textbooks, orient teachers on the new textbooks, pay cash transfers to all qualified school girls in private schools etc.

State Ministers of Education are directed to implement the directives in this Ministerial Order. Furthermore, the Ministry's Directorates of Basic and Secondary Education and Schools' Inspections are directed to coordinate with the State educational authorities the implementation of this Ministerial Order.

Action will be taken against any private and Faith-based school(s) found to be in contravention of this Ministerial Order.

This Ministerial Order excludes International and Diplomatic schools.

I wish you a safe and successful new academic year.


Hon. Martin Tako Moyi, MP
The Deputy Minister



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