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**GHANA SCHOOL FEEDING PROGRAMME**

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**To All Media Houses**

**PRESS BRIEF: RELEASE OF FUNDS TO SCHOOL FEEDING CATERERS**

The Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Protection and the Management of the Ghana School Feeding Programme (GSFP) wish to inform all Caterers under the GSFP that Government has released an amount of **Twenty-one million Ghana cedis (GHC21,000,000.00)** to defray part of arrears owed caterers under the Ghana School Feeding Programme.

The release of the feeding grants disbursed last week covered seven days of the Second Term of 2016/2017 academic year. All caterers have since received their payments.

We again wish to inform caterers that efforts are being made to make another release to cover sixteen days of the same Term (2016/2017 academic year) by 27th October, 2017.

We urge all caterers to exercise restraint and cooperate with the School Feeding Programme as we are expecting additional funds to defray the rest of the arrears.

In line with Government's vision and commitment to sustain the programme and improve upon its quality service to beneficiary pupils, caterers are assured that all outstanding arrears would be settled within the framework of our obligation with them.

SIGNED:

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