

Ministry of the Presidency Vlissengen Road, Bourda, Georgetown Cooperative Republic of Guyana

2019.02.25

Justice James Patterson Chairman, Elections Commission 41 High Street Kingston, Georgetown

Dear Chairman,

I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 2019.02.21.

I have noted your statement to the effect that the Commission does not have the capability to deliver credible General and Regional Elections (GRE) within the three-month time-frame commencing 2018.12.21 and that additional funds, appropriated by the National Assembly, need to be provided.

The Government of Guyana is committed to doing everything possible to ensure that the Commission is provided with the financial resources and has sufficient time to conduct credible elections.

I urge the Commission, therefore, to commence preparations for the conduct of GRE.

The Government will initiate measures to provide the funds required and to seek the approval of the National Assembly to ensure that an agreement can be reached, given both the Constitutional requirements and GECOM's capability.

Yours sincerely,

David Granger

President of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana