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The Minister of Infrastructure,

Pursuant to the Constitution of the Republic of Rwanda of 04 June 2003, as amended to date especially in Articles 14, 120, 121 and 201;

Pursuant to Law n° 01/2007 of 20/01/2007 relating to protection of disabled persons in general, especially in Article 26;

After consideration and approval by the Cabinet, in its session of 19/06/2009;

HEREBY ORDERS:

Article One – Purpose of this Order

This Order determines the modalities of facilitating persons with disabilities on necessary travels within the Country.

Article 2 – Definition

The term “necessary travel” shall mean the travel undertaken by a person with disability who is in the first and second categories with the purpose of getting the needed services or reach the place where he /she gets such services.

Article 3 – Exemption from transportation fare

A needy person with disability in the first and second categories is exempt from transportation fares when boarding State-owned public transport vehicles.

Article 4 – Identity card for a person with disability

For the purposes of Article 3 of this Order, a person with disabilities in the first and second categories shall obtain from authorized Organs a card allowing them to benefit from free transportation in State-owned public transport vehicles.

Persons specified under this Article shall only be entitled to this benefit in case of necessary travels.

Article 5 – Seats reserved for persons with disabilities in public transport vehicles

The State shall adopt an appropriate program that would facilitate persons with disabilities in general to board public transport vehicles by requiring public transport vehicles owners to reserve seats and entrance doors for persons with disabilities.

Article 6 – Bus stops

All bus stops for public transport vehicles must be developed in such a way that they facilitate persons with disabilities to easily board vehicles.

Article 7 – Repealing provision

All prior legal provisions contrary to this Order are hereby repealed.

Article 8 – Commencement

This Order shall come into force on the date of its publication in the Official *Gazette* of the Republic of Rwanda.