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Dear Sirs,

### RE: NATION MEDIA GROUP PLC – HALF YEAR RESULTS

We forward herewith the company's Half Year unaudited results for the period ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

We enclose the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income; the Statement of Financial Position, Capital and Reserves, Assets and the Condensed Cash Flow Statement, together with the announcement of the interim dividend for your record.

Yours Faithfully,

James C. Kinyua  
GROUP COMPANY SECRETARY

## **NATION MEDIA GROUP PLC**

The Directors are pleased to present the unaudited half year Group results, for the six-month period that ended on 30th June, 2018.

Group turnover at Kshs 4.9 billion was 6.7% below last year, while the profit before tax and exceptional items (provision for overdue debt Kshs 291.6 million and foreign currency exchange loss Kshs 49.7 million) at Kshs 1.1 billion was 7.4% below last year.

The Group performance was adversely affected by revenue shortfall as a result of reduced advertising and circulation volumes, the closure of NTV at the beginning of the year, the increase in global newsprint prices and foreign exchange depreciation, particularly in Uganda.

The provision for the overdue debt is in line with Group policy and has been caused by delays in payments especially by the government. This provision will be reversed once debt payments are received.

The Group has intensified the focus on new revenue sources, in addition to managing the costs to ensure sustained positive performance in the long term.

### **INTERIM DIVIDEND**

The Directors have resolved to declare an interim dividend of Kshs.1.50 (60%) per share (2017: Kshs.2.50 per share) for the half year, on the issued share capital of 188,542,286 ordinary shares of Kshs.2.50 each. The total interim dividend payout will amount to Kshs 282.8 million (2017: Kshs 471.4 million).

The dividend will be paid less withholding tax where applicable on or about 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2018, to shareholders registered at the close of business on 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2018.

The register of members will be closed from 19<sup>th</sup> September to 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018, both dates inclusive.

By order of the Board

**J C Kinyua**

**GROUP COMPANY SECRETARY**

**17 August 2018**

**Nation Media Group PLC**  
**Unaudited Group results for the six months to 30 June 2018**

<b>Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income</b>	<b>June 2018 Kshs.million</b>	<b>June 2017 Kshs.million</b>	
<b>Turnover</b>	<b>4,923.1</b>	<b>5,274.2</b>	
<b>Profit before income tax and exceptional items</b>	<b>1,103.1</b>	<b>1,190.9</b>	
Exceptional items:			
Provision for overdue debts	(291.6)	(17.5)	
Revaluation of financial assets	(49.7)	(2.2)	
<b>Profit before income tax after exceptional items</b>	<b>761.8</b>	<b>1,171.2</b>	
Income tax expense	(232.6)	(351.4)	
<b>Profit after income tax</b>	<b>529.2</b>	<b>819.8</b>	
Other comprehensive income	(74.2)	5.8	
<b>Total comprehensive income</b>	<b>455.0</b>	<b>825.6</b>	
<b>Attributable to:</b>			
Owners of the parent	453.6	823.9	
Non controlling interest	1.4	1.7	
	<b>455.0</b>	<b>825.6</b>	
Earnings per share (Kshs)	2.41	4.37	
Interim dividend per share (Kshs)	1.50	2.50	
<b>Statement of Financial Position</b>			
	<b>30th June 2018 Kshs.million</b>	<b>31st December 2017 Kshs.million</b>	
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Share capital	471.4	471.4	
Other reserves	(142.0)	(72.5)	
Retained earnings	6,545.3	6,302.3	
Proposed dividends	1,696.9	1,414.1	
	<b>8,571.6</b>	<b>8,115.3</b>	
Non controlling interest	49.7	51.0	
<b>Total equity</b>	<b>8,621.3</b>	<b>8,166.3</b>	
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>	25.0	25.9	
	<b>8,646.3</b>	<b>8,192.2</b>	
<b>Assets</b>			
<b>Non-current assets</b>	<b>4,892.1</b>	<b>5,009.2</b>	
<b>Working capital</b>			
Current assets	7,093.6	6,311.1	
Current liabilities	3,339.4	3,128.1	
<b>Net working capital</b>	<b>3,754.2</b>	<b>3,183.0</b>	
	<b>8,646.3</b>	<b>8,192.2</b>	
<b>Condensed Cash flow Statement</b>			
	<b>6 months ended 30.06.18 Kshs.million</b>	<b>6 months ended 30.06.17 Kshs.million</b>	<b>12 months ended 31.12.17 Kshs.million</b>
Cash generated from operations	1,231.5	2,282.6	3,296.4
Tax paid	(411.4)	(799.2)	(1,112.4)
<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>	<b>820.1</b>	<b>1,483.4</b>	<b>2,184.0</b>
Net cash used in investing activities	(36.5)	147.0	45.3
Net cash from financing activities	-	-	(1,885.5)
<b>Increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>783.6</b>	<b>1,630.4</b>	<b>343.8</b>
At start of period	1,692.6	1,344.7	1,344.7
Exchange gains/(losses) on cash and cash equivalents	(30.4)	0.1	4.1
<b>At end of period</b>	<b>2,445.8</b>	<b>2,975.2</b>	<b>1,692.6</b>

**Group Statement of Changes in Equity  
for the period ended 30 June**

**Attributable to equity holders of the company**

	Share capital Shs m	Other reserves Shs m	Retained earnings Shs m	Proposed dividends Shs m	Minority interest Shs m	Total equity Shs m
At start of year	471.4	(72.5)	6,302.3	1,414.1	51.0	8,166.3
<b>Total Comprehensive income:</b>						
Profit for the period	-	-	525.8	-	3.4	529.2
<b>Other comprehensive income, net of tax</b>						
Currency translation differences	-	(69.5)	-	-	(4.7)	(74.2)
<b>Total other comprehensive income</b>	-	(69.5)	-	-	(4.7)	(74.2)
<b>Total comprehensive income for the period</b>	-	(69.5)	525.8	-	(1.3)	455.0
<b>Transaction with owners:</b>						
Dividends - interim for 2018 proposed	-	-	(282.8)	282.8	-	-
<b>Total transaction with owners</b>	-	-	(282.8)	282.8	-	-
At end of period	<b>471.4</b>	<b>(142.0)</b>	<b>6,545.3</b>	<b>1,696.9</b>	<b>49.7</b>	<b>8,621.3</b>