GOVERNMENT OF ZAMBIA

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT No. 43 of 2001

The Local Government Act (Laws, Volume 16, Cap. 281)

The Shangombo District Council (Timber Levy) By-Laws, 2001

In exercise of the powers contained in sections sixty-nine and seventy-six of the Local Government Act, the following By-laws are hereby made:

1. These By-laws may be cited as the Shangombo District Council (Timber Levy) By-laws, 2001.

Title

- 2. In these By-laws, unless the context otherwise requires—
- Interpreta-
- " area" means the area under the jurisdiction of the council;
- "check-point" means any place within the area designated by the Council for the payment of timber levy;
- " collector " means any officer of the Council authorised to collect timber levy for the Council;
- " council " means the Shangombo District Council; and
- "timber" means the part of any felled or fallen tree which has been cut off, or can be cut off, to provide wood, whether sawn, split, hewn, sliced, veneered or otherwise fashioned, which is sound and reasonably straight, and which is one point two metres or more long and thirty centimetres or more in minimum diameter under bark.
- 3. A person who sells timber within the area or exports timber from the area shall pay to the Council a timber levy at the following rates:

Imposition of timber levy

(i) five hundred kwacha per plank;

(ii) six thousand five hundred kwacha per log; or

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No sale or export of timber without payment of timber levy 4. A person shall not sell within or export from, the area any timber which is not counted and for which a timber levy has not been paid.

Place of payment and collection of timber levy

- 5. (1) A person who sells or exports timber shall pay a timber levy to the collector at the check-point at which the timber is counted.
- (2) The collector shall, immediately after receiving the timber levy issue an official receipt for each such payment.

Offences and penalties

- 6. (1) A person who contravenes any of the provisions of these By-laws commits an offence and is liable, upon conviction—
 - (a) in the case of a first offence, to a fine not exceeding eighty penalty units or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months, or to both; and
 - (b) in the case of a second or subsequent offence, to a fine not exceeding sixteen penalty units for each day during which the contravention continues.
- (2) In addition to any penalty prescribed under sub-law (1), the Court may order that any expenses incurred by the Council in consequence of the contravention be paid by the person committing the contravention.

Made by the Shangombo District Council this 19th day of March, 2001.

C. N. Mabuku, Council Chairman, Shangombo District Council

M. Mwiya,
Council Secretary,
Shangombo District Council

Confirmed by me this 23rd day of March, 2001.

Lusaka [mlgh.102/51/65] B. Namuyamba,
Minister of Local Government
and Housing