#### GOVERNMENT OF ZAMBIA

Statutory Instrument No. 6 of 2015

## The Customs and Excise Act (Laws, Volume 18, Cap. 322)

# The Customs and Excise (General) (Amendment) Regulations, 2015

In exercise of the powers contained in section *one hundred* and ninety-eight of the Customs and Excise Act, the following Regulations are made:

1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the Customs and Excise (General) (Amendment) Regulations, 2015, and shall be read as one with the Customs and Excise (General) Regulations, 2000, in these Regulations referred to as the principal Regulations.

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- (2) These Regulations are deemed to have come into operation on 1st January, 2015.
- 2. Regulation 85A of the principal Regulations is amended in the proviso to paragraph (d) of subregulation (1) by the deletion of the words "six months" and the substitution therefor of the words "twelve months".

Amendment of regulation 85A

3. The principal Regulations are amended by the repeal of regulation 88 and the substitution therefor of the following:

Repeal and replacement of regulation

88. (1) An organisation engaged in a scientific, relief, agricultural, technical assistance or development programme or scheme in Zambia, approved by the Minister and listed in the Third Schedule, shall be granted a rebate, refund or remission of the whole or any part of the duty paid or payable in respect of goods imported or taken out of bond or, in the case of motor vehicles, obtained from open stock, that are to be used in connection with the programme.

Rebate, refund or remission of duty on goods for scientific, relief or other programme

- (2) The Commissioner-General shall require the lodgment of a duly completed declaration made by the responsible member of the organisation referred to in sub-regulation (1) that the goods concerned will be solely for the purpose specified in the agreement or memorandum of understanding relating to the programme and shall not be sold or otherwise disposed of except with the prior consent of the CommissionerGeneral, and upon payment of duty, if any, at the rate leviable at the date of such sale or disposal.
- (3) For the purpose of determining the amount of duty payable on an article in accordance with subregulation (2), the CommissionerGeneral may take into consideration the depreciation of the article since it was imported, removed from bond or purchased from open stocks, and shall remit the duty if the sale or disposal is to be effected more than five years after the date when the rebate, refund or remission of duty was granted.

Repeal and replacement of regulation 88B

> Remission of duty on goods imported for scientific, relief or other programme by third party

- 4. The principal Regulations are amended by the repeal of regulation 88B and the substitution therefor of the following:
  - 88B. (1) Subject to sub-regulation (2), where an implementing agency receives financial assistance from an organisation engaged in a scientific, relief, agricultural, technical assistance or development programme or scheme in Zambia approved by the Minister and listed in the Third Schedule and contracts a third party to undertake the development programme or scheme, the goods imported by the third party for the development programme or scheme shall be granted a rebate, refund or remission of the whole or any part of the duty paid or payable in respect of the goods imported or taken out of bond or, in the case of motor vehicles, obtained from open stock, that are intended to be directly consumed by the development programme or scheme.
  - (2) Sub-regulation (1) shall not apply if the agreement or memorandum of understanding entered into by the organisation referred to in that sub-regulation and the Government of the Republic of Zambia, in relation to the programme, requires the contractor to pay the assessed duties.
  - (3) An implementing agency which contracts a third party to undertake a scientific, relief, agricultural, technical assistance or development programme shall notify the Commissioner-General of the contract, in writing, with such documentation as the Commissioner-General may specify, and any remission granted in respect of the development

programme shall be limited to the goods which are specified in the bill of quantities, where applicable, for the programme that qualifies for a remission.

- (4) Where an implementing agency contracts a third party to undertake a programme referred to in sub-regulation (3), the implementing agency shall notify the Commissioner-General, in writing, of any amendments to the bill of quantities or any other part of the agreement, with such documentation as the Commissioner-General may specify, and any remission granted in respect of the programme shall be limited to the goods which are specified in the amended bill of quantities, where applicable, for the programme that qualifies for a remission.
- (5) The goods specified in a bill of quantities shall be solely for the purpose of the programme for which the funds were provided and shall not be sold or otherwise disposed of except with the prior consent of the Commissioner-General and upon payment of duty, if any, at the rate leviable at the date of such sale or disposal.
- (6) For the purpose of determining the amount of duty payable on an article in accordance with sub-regulation (5), the Commissioner-General—
  - (a) may take into consideration the depreciation of the article since it was imported, removed from bond or purchased from open stocks; and
  - (b) shall remit the duty if the sale or disposal is to be effected more than five years from the date of the grant of the rebate, refund or remission of duty.
- (7) Sub-regulation (1) does not apply to consumables, personal items, office equipment and other equipment and machinery owned by the contractor.
- (8) In this regulation, unless the context otherwise requires—
  - "consumables" means items that are utilised by an organisation and are depleted on a regular basis, and includes fuel, lubricants, spare parts and tyres; and
  - "implementing agency" means a Government Ministry or any other organisation approved by Government to undertake a development programme on behalf of the Government.

Amendment of regulation 98A

- 5. Regulation 98A of the principal Regulations is amended by the insertion, in the appropriate places, of the following new definitions:
  - "assembly" means the fitting together of component parts of a motor vehicle or trailer where the local content value addition is not less than twenty five percent of exfactory price;
  - "equipment and machinery" includes specialised motor vehicles as defined under the Act, but excludes motor vehicles for the transportation of passengers and goods or goods whose unit cost, excluding insurance and freight, is equal to or less than US\$1,000; and
  - "rural area" means an area that is not an area declared, or deemed to have been declared, an area of any city or municipality under the Local Government Act.

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Repeal and replacement of regulations 98C and 98D 6. The principal Regulations are amended by the repeal of regulations 98C and 98D and the substitution therefor of the following:

Refund, rebate or remission on machinery, equipment and inputs for roofing materials

- 98C. (1) The Minister may approve a rebate, refund or remission of the whole or any part of the duty paid or payable in respect of—
  - (a) machinery, equipment and component parts required for the assembly of motor vehicles and trailers by a business enterprise registered by the Zambia Development Agency; and
  - (b) inputs used in the manufacture of roofing sheets and roofing tiles.
- (2) A rebate, remission or refund granted under subregulation (1) is effective from the date of approval by the Minister.
- (3) In this regulation, "component parts" excludes complete unassembled units of motor vehicles, trailers, motor cycles and bicycles.

Refund, rebate or

remission on

etc for use in multi-facility

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- 98D. (1) The Minister may, on the recommendation of the Director-General of the Zambia Development Agency, approve a rebate, refund or remission of the whole or any part of the duty paid or payable in respect of—
  - (a) machinery and equipment, other than spares for the machinery or equipment, required for use in manufacturing activities located in a multifacility economic zone, an industrial park or rural area;
  - (b) machinery and equipment, other than spares for the machinery or equipment, required for use by a business enterprise eligible under the Second Schedule to the Zambia Development Agency Act, 2006; or

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- (c) machinery, equipment and other goods specified in the bill of quantities submitted with an application for approval required for the development of a multi-facility economic zone or an industrial park.
- (2) A rebate, remission or refund granted under subregulation (1) is effective from the date of approval by the Minister.
- (3) Where a rebate, refund or remission is granted pursuant to sub-regulation (1), the goods or inputs concerned shall not be sold or otherwise disposed of except with the prior consent of the Commissioner-General and upon payment of duty, if any, at the rate applicable at the date of the sale or disposal and on such conditions as the Minister may determine.
- (4) For the purposes of determining the amount of duty payable in accordance with sub-regulation (3), the Commissioner General—
  - (a) may take into consideration the depreciation of the machinery and equipment from the time of importation, removal from bond or purchase from open stock; and
  - (b) shall remit the duty if the sale or disposal is to be effected more than five years after the date when the rebate, refund or remission of duty was granted.

(5) A business enterprise to which a rebate, refund or remission is granted under this Part shall, upon the grant of the rebate, refund or remission, be deemed to be listed in the appropriate place in the Fourth Schedule.

Amendment of First Schedule

7. The First Schedule to the principal Regulations is amended—

(a) by the deletion of Part 5 and the substitution therefor of the following:

#### Part V: Fee for Customs Agent's Licence

- 5. The fee for a customs agent's licence shall be a sum equal to 20,000 fee units or part thereof for each licence period of three years.
- (b) by the deletion, in Part 8, of the words "two hundred and seventy eight" and the substitution therefor of the words "four hundred and fifteen";
- (c) by the insertion, immediately after part 8A, of the following new Part:

#### Part 8B: Fees payable for Duplicated Entry

- (i) the fee to be paid on an entry lodged more than once for the same transaction, without authority from the Customs Services Division, shall be 5,000 fee units for each entry lodged after the first lodgment;
- (ii) subject to subparagraph (1), the licence of a declarant that is fined three times shall be withdrawn for the remainder of the duration of the licence period; and
- (d) by the insertion immediately after Part 11 of the following new Part:

# Part 11A: Fee payable on a vehicle or goods in transit diverted from the designated transit route

11A. The fee payable on a vehicle or goods in transit that divert from the route designated by the Customs Services Division shall be 5,000 fee units for any diversion from the route, except that the designated route shall not be inconsistent with the transit route defined in the Public Roads Act, 2002.

8. The Third Schedule to the principal Regulations is amended by the—

Amendment of Third Schedule

- (a) deletion of the organisation "Save the Children Norway" and the substitution therefor of "Save the Children International";
- (b) deletion of the organisation "Japanese Association to Aid Refugees" and the substitution therefor of "Association for Aid and Relief Japan"
- (c) deletion of "Netherlands Volunteers" and the substitution therefor of "SNV Netherlands Development Organisation"; and

Amendment of Fourth Schedule

- (d) insertion, in the appropriate places, of the organisations set out in Appendix I.
- 9. The Fourth Schedule to the principal Regulations is amended by the insertion, in the appropriate places under—
  - (a) sub-heading A of Part I, of the business enterprises set out in Appendix II; and
  - (b) Part III, of the business enterprise set out in Appendix III.

#### APPENDIX I

(Regulation 8)

- 1. Exim Bank of China
- 2. SolidarMed
- 3. Maryland Global Initiatives Corporation (MGIC) Zambia
- 4. Centre for International Programs (Zambia)
- 5. ICAP

#### APPENDIX II

(Regulation 9 (a))

	Name of Investor	Date of Approval	Licence No.
1.	African Foods Limited	13th September, 2013	ZDA 259/07/2008
2.	Barrowdale Inn Limited	11th February, 2013	ZDA 1485/09/2012
3.	Baudot Cement Zambia Limited	27th March, 2014	ZDA 1844/08/2013
4.	Bubezi Investments limited	24th March, 2014	ZDA1956/11/2013
5.	Changsheng Mining Equipment Limited	17th October, 2013	ZDA018/09/2013
6.	Clay Disposal Zambia Limited	29th September, 2014	ZDA2073/03/2014
7.	Clicks Zambia Limited	3rd June, 2014	ZDA 183 2/07/2013
8.	C-ORE Industries Limited	20th August, 2014	ZDA2188/07 /2014
9.	Crossroads Lodges (Solwezi) Limited	19th September, 2013	ZDA 1437/07/2012
	Down Town Hotels Limited	13th September, 2013	ZDA 438/04/2009
	Dream Africa Investments limited	3rd April, 2014	ZDA2032/01/2014
12.	Eastern Comfort Limited	31st October, 2014	ZDA224 7/10/2014
13.	Emerging Cooking Solutions Zambia	19th February, 2013	ZDA1590/12/2012
	Engine Centre Zambia Limited	6th June, 2014	ZDA 1922/09/2013
	ESTIM Construction Limited	27th March, 2014	ZDA 1805/07/2013
16.	Falls Beverage Company Limited	10th January, 2014	ZDA 1898/09/2013
	Farrukh Manufacturing Limited	24th July 2013	ZDA1662/03/2013
18.	Fens Investment limited Assembly	8th January 2010	ZDA570/09/2009
	of Trailers		
19.	Flame Building and Renovation Limited	22nd May, 2014	ZDA 2088/03/2014
20.	Francolet Investments Limited	22nd May, 2014	ZDA 2085/03/2014
21.	Gemstone Marketing and Consultancy	10th July, 2013	ZDA 1070/08/2011
	Limited		
22.	Good Time Steel Company Zambia	18th December, 2012	ZDA 1435/07/2012
	Limited		
	GSY Construction Zambia Limited	6th June, 2014	ZDA 2119/04/2014
	Gypsum Zambia Limited	6th June, 2012	ZDA 1247 /01/2012
25.	Handyman's Paradise Lime Quarries	7th April, 2014	ZDA 1872/09/2013
	Limited		
26.	Handyman's Paradise Lime	7th April, 2014	ZDA 1903/10/2013
	Manufacturing Company Limited		
	Hydro Electric Power Limited	3rd April, 2014	ZDA1953/11/2014
	Kaddoura Holdings Limited	19th February, 2013	ZDA 1603/01/2013
29.	Kapiri Glass Manufacturing Co	13th June, 2013	ZDA 1598/12/2012
	(2008) Limited		
	Kariba Harvest	24th January, 2014	ZDA950/03/2011
	Kawambwa Steel Works Limited	24th July 2013	ZDA 1720/04/2013
	Kingphar Zambia Company Ltd	3rd October,2014	ZDA2135/09/2014
	Likamba La Luna Limited	8th February, 2013	ZDA 1341/04/2012
34.	LIMECO Resources Limited	27th March, 2014	ZDA 1633/07/2013

35. Loukas Sand and Washing Limited       28th April, 2014       ZDA 2007/01/2014         36. Manject Cotton Zambia Limited       24th March, 2014       ZDA 1873/09/2013         37. Mattaniah Investments Limited       10th January, 2014       ZDA 1471/09/2013         38. Mogal Cuisine Limited       18th December, 2012       ZDA 1474/09/2012         39. Mukambi Safari Lodge Limited       24th July 2013       ZDA 1296/03/2012         40. Mukuba Mall Limited       11th February, 2013       ZDA 1589/08/2012
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40. Mukuva Man Linilled 11th February, 2015 LDA 1369/06/2012
41. Muna Aqua and Beverages Limited 6th June, 2014 ZDA2021/04/2014
42. Neelkanth Cables Limited 24th July 2013 ZDA 1664/03/2013
43. Neelkanth Group Limited 25th April, 2014 ZDA 1663/03/2013
44. Northern Coffee Corporation Limited 10th July, 2013 ZDA 1487/09/2012
45. NRB Pharma Zambia Limited 4th October, 2013 ZDA 1423/07/2012
46. Olibul Investments Limited 7th March 2013 ZDA 1502/10/2012
47. Petronics Limited 14th December 2012 ZDA 1503/10/2012
48. Reno Concrete 24th July 2013 ZDA 1757/06/2013
49. Royal Zambia Wildlife Conservation 24th July 2013 ZDA 1410/06/2012
and Safaris Limited
50. S.B Plastics Limited 11th February, 2013 ZDA 1279/02/2012
51. Saro Agro Industrial Limited 8th February, 2013 ZDA 994/04/2011
52. Scimitar Farming Limited 19th September, 2013 ZDA 1817/07/2013
53. Shadong Power Zambia Limited 29th November, 2012 ZDA 1517/10/2012
54. Shengtai Wood Investment Limited 6th June, 2014 ZDA 2128/05/2014
55. Soft Silver Investment Company 14th December, 2012 ZDA1525/10/2012
Limited
56. Solar Explochem Zambia Limited 18th December, 2012 ZDA 1335/04/201
57. The Real Meat Company 3rd June, 2013 ZDA 1559/11/2012
58. Unity Garment Limited 26th June, 2013 ZDA 1462/08/2012
59. Value Share Investments Limited 25th August, 2014 ZDA 1779/06/2013
60. Varun Food and Beverages (Z) Limited 3rd June, 2013 ZDA 1472/09/2912
61. White Gold Milling Limited 3rd June, 2013 ZDA 1651/02/2013
62. Wideway International Zambia Limited 7th April, 2014 ZDA 1933/10/2013
63. World Wide Investments Limited 16th June, 2014 ZDA 2109/04/2014
64. Zam Fertilizer Limited 24th March, 2014 ZDA 2069/03/2014
65. ZM and P (B.V.I) Holdings Limited 11th February, 2013 ZDA 1225/12/2011

### APPENDIX III (Regulation 9 (b))

Name of InvestorName of ZoneDate1. Lumwana PropertiesLumwana Multi-Facility Economic Zone25th June, 2010

Development Company Limited

A. B. Chikwanda, *Minister of Finance* 

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