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**REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE OF DOCUMENTS FOR AGRICULTURAL CONFLICT
RESOLUTION AND ENHANCED SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS PROJECT (ACRES)
ON YOUR MINISTERIAL WEBSITES AND IN THE MAIN NEWSPAPER.**

The above subject matter refers.

The Zimbabwean government is seeking a grant of UA 18.21.000 million (USD 24.10 million) from the African Development Bank Fund to support the mitigation of the negative impacts of El NINO through the Agricultural Conflict Resolution and Sustainable Livelihoods (ACRES). Additionally, the government will contribute 10% of the amount, with beneficiaries contributing a small 1.5%. Government of Zimbabwe submitted a request for funding from the Bank's Transition States Facility (TSF) Pillar 1. Consequently, this Project will focus on participatory approach in order to select demand-driven activities which will aim to address context-specific drivers of fragility and build resilience, with due

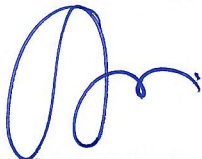
consideration to sustainability. Some of this Project's activities will complement the planned activities under the Zimbabwe Resilience Building Fund II (ZRBF-II), which is currently being executed by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

The Environmental regulations and policies of Zimbabwe and of the Bank require Environmental and social impacts assessments of the project through the development and certification of Environmental and Social Safeguards Instruments. Therefore, Prospectus and ESMPs for Masvingo and Matabeleland South provinces were developed in consultation with the Zimbabwe Environment Management Agency (EMA) to ensure compliance with national environmental legislation and AfDB's environmental and social obligations. These ESMPs, including the Grievance Redress Mechanisms (GRM), Pest Management Plan (PMP), and the Project's Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP); outline specific mitigation measures designed to address potential environmental and social impacts, and were approved by the AfDB. The instruments were also submitted to EMA for review and approval. EMA approved and certified the documents.

Therefore, AfDB requires the publication for disclosure of the following approved documents by Government of Zimbabwe to make them available for consultation by any interested party for 30 days on the websites of the above listed Ministries and the main newspaper.

1. Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) for Masvingo Province
2. Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) for Matabeleland South Province
3. Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM)
4. Stakeholder engagement Plan (SEP)
5. Pest Management Plan (PMP)

Your usual support is highly appreciated



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