

NOTICE TO STUDENTS

<u>UPDATE ON THE CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT (CA) ZAMBIA REPACKAGED</u> <u>OUALIFICATIONS AND THE 2020 GRADUATION CEREMONY</u>

Following the launch of the repackaged qualifications linked to CA Zambia programme, the Zambia Qualifications Authority (ZAQA) requested the Institute to carry out further stakeholder engagement to support the naming of the three qualifications for purpose of fulfilling the registration and accreditation requirements of the qualifications on the Zambia Qualifications Framework (ZQF). As part of concluding the accreditation, the Institute embarked on a countrywide Multi-sectoral stakeholder engagement consultative programme from 29th June to date.

In view of the above, the Institute would like to inform all the affected students that the process of ensuring that students are awarded the CA Zambia linked Qualifications/certifications is incumbent upon concluding the process with ZAQA and the Institute will provide updates as developments unfold. Admittedly, these engagements have taken longer than anticipated owing to the disruptions of the COVID-19 pandemic which worked against the envisaged progress in this regard.

Regrettably the planned graduation for ZICA students had to be postponed due to Covid-19 restrictions on public gatherings and ultimately the need for the Institute to conclude the process with ZAQA as mentioned above.

The Institute would like to inform all students who have completed their studies in the following; CA Zambia, Diploma in Accounting, Diploma in Public Sector Financial Management and Diploma in Taxation that the certificates shall be availed to you in this quarter and information on the graduation will be provided as soon as possible.

The Zambia Institute of Chartered Accountants (ZICA) therefore wishes to assure all affected students that the Institute is committed to addressing all scholarly concerns relating to the CA Programme Accreditation and the Graduation Ceremony respectively and will be making timely progressive updates on this matter.

Yours in the development of the accountancy profession in Zambia.

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