

ZAMBIA INSTUTUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

SPEECH BY THE ZICA SECRETARY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE MR ANTHONY BWEMBYA DURING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING SIGNING CEREMONY WITH THE ZAMBIA CENTRE FOR ACCOUNTANCY STUDIES (ZCAS) MANAGEMENT ON 6TH MAY 2022.

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DR. EGRET LENGWE,
THE BOARD SECRETARY MRS JACQUELINE C. M CHIKWAMA,
THE MANAGEMENT AND STAFF OF ZICA AND ZCAS,
DISTINGUISHED INVITED GUESTS,
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

GOOD AFTERNOON!!

I AM DELIGHTED TO BE HERE TODAY TO ADDRESS YOU ON BEHALF OF THE ZAMBIA INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS (ZICA) AT THIS SIGNIFICANT OCCASION OF THE MOU SIGNING WITH THE ZAMBIA CENTRE FOR ACCOUNTANCY STUDIES (ZCAS). THE INSTITUTE IS ALWAYS HAPPY TO HAVE SUCH EVENTS AS IT BRINGS US CLOSER TO ACHIEVING OUR PRIMARY MANDATE OF PROMOTING THE ACCOUNTANCY PROFESSION AND DEVELOPING FINANCE AND BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS.

THIS AGREEMENT IS A SIGNIFICANT MILESTONE IN OUR ONGOING COLLABORATION WITH THE ZAMBIA CENTRE FOR ACCOUNTANCY STUDIES (ZCAS). FOR YEARS, ZICA AND ZCAS HAVE DIRECTED THEIR FOCUS AND EXPERTISE ON FOSTERING THE TRAINING OF ACCOUNTANTS. WE HAVE COME A LONG WAY AND NOW IS THE RIGHT MOMENT TO STRENGTHEN OUR COOPERATION AND DEEPEN OUR PARTNERSHIP.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I WOULD LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT A FEW PRIORITY AREAS OF OUR PARTNERSHIP, UNDER THE AGREEMENT BEING SIGNED TODAY. THE SIGNING OF THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING MARKS THE CONSOLIDATION OF A LONG STANDING AND TRUE PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO INSTITUTIONS. THE TIMING IS RIGHT AND WE MUST SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY TO HARNESS THE MOMENTUM IN THE PROMOTION OF RESEARCH AND ADVANCEMENT OF LEARNING FOR ACCOUNTANTS. THE TWO INSTITUTIONS ARE UNIQUELY POSITIONED **MANDATED TOWARDS** THE DEVELOPMENT AND OF THE ACCOUNTANCY PROFESSION IN ZAMBIA.

THE INSTITUTE WILL COOPERATE ON JOINT MARKETING ACTIVITIES WITH ZCAS THAT MAY INCLUDE CARRYING OUT ADVERTISING, MARKETING AND PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES THROUGH VARIOUS PLATFORMS.

THIS MOU FURTHER COMMITS US TO WORK TOGETHER MORE CLOSELY TOWARDS A COMMON GOAL AND CREATE SYNERGIES BETWEEN THE TWO INSTITUTIONS THROUGH PROVIDING SUPPORT AND/OR PARTICIPATE IN RESEARCH AND SURVEY ACTIVITIES FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE ACCOUNTANCY PROFESSION.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

IN CLOSING, I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS AGAIN MY SINCERE THANKS TO ZICA AND ZCAS MANAGEMENT AND STAFF FOR THEIR TIRELESS EFFORTS IN MAKING SURE THAT THIS MOU COMES TO ACTUALISATION. THE INSTITUTE IS ASSURED THAT WITH THIS DEVELOPMENT, OUR MEMBERS WILL BE SERVED BETTER AND I LOOK FORWARD TO TAKING THE NEXT STEPS TOWARDS OUR COMMON GOAL OF DEVELOPING FINANCE AND BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS.

I THANK YOU.