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LUSAKA-ZAMBIA16th August, 2012The Commissioner General
Zambia Revenue Authority
LUSAKARe: **EXPORT AND IMPORT OF AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES**

Reference is made to the above subject.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock would like to bring it to your attention that agricultural commodities listed under the Control of Goods Act Cap 421 should only be allowed to enter or exit the country on the appropriate Statutory documents. An Import or Export permit from the Department of Agribusiness and Marketing should be obtained and this should be supported by the following documents:

N/S	Type of Commodity	Description of documents
1.	Plant	(a) Phytosanitary Certificate for export of plant products. (b) Plant Import permit for Importation of plant products.
2.	Animal/fish	(a) Sanitary Certificate for export of animal products. (b) Importation of Livestock Certificate for Imports of animal products.
3.	Food Safety Concerns	Clearance from Ministry of Health for any Food Safety concerns.
4.	Agricultural Chemicals	Clearance from Zambia Environmental Management Agency.

Please note that any of the above documents on their own are insufficient for either export or import of agricultural goods.

Furthermore, I wish to inform you that with immediate effect, each vessel/truck will only be allowed to exit/enter on a single original export/import permit. Photocopies of the Agricultural export or import permit should not be permitted.

Officers at each border point are further guided to record serial numbers and corresponding quantities of all permits presented for export/import at their respective border points.

The above measures are intended to improve and enhance data capture on maize/mealie meal exports until further notice.

Furthermore, all permits issued between July and August 2012 are hereby recalled and will be re-issued to holders of authentic maize export documentation upon presentation at the permit issuing office at the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock at Mulungushi House.

You are, therefore, required to bring the contents of this correspondence to all responsible officers at the border points.



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Permanent Secretary

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK

cc: Permanent Secretary
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