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Dear valued customers,

#### **EXCHANGE CONTROL SYNOPSIS OF RBZ DIRECTIVE RM80 DATED 01 AUGUST 2011**

POLICY INITIATIVE/	DETAILS	WHAT THIS MEANS TO YOU
INTERVENTION		
REMITTANCE OF SALE	These transactions fall under the	You will require prior exchange
PROCEEDS FROM	Capital Account which has not yet	control authority to dispose of
DISPOSAL OF IMMOVABLE	been liberalised. Remittances of sale	your property if you wish to remit
PROPERTY	proceeds from disposal of properties	proceeds from such disposals
	have been placed into 4 categories;	offshore. The application, with
	I. Permanent emigrants with	agreements of sale and other
	Exchange control emigration	related documents will be
	status.	submitted to your Authorised
	II. Deceased estates with	Dealer (MBCA Bank) for onward
	beneficiaries residing outside	transmission to RBZ Exchange
	Zimbabwe.	Control.
	III. Individual foreign properties	100% remittance (after all
	investors.	statutory deductions)shall be
	IV. Zimbabweans within and	eligible for the following
	outside Zimbabwe.	categories :-
		i) Formal emigration;
		ii) Deceased estates
		whose beneficiaries
		are resident outside
		Zimbabwe;
		iii) Individual foreigners
		with documentary
		proof of transferring
		funds into Zimbabwe
		for the purchase of
		immovable property.
SPECIAL ACCOUNT-	Sale proceeds from immovable	We shall open the special FCAs for
"FCA (PROPERTY)"	property will be managed through a	all individuals selling their

Special Account which shall be designated "FCA (PROPERTY)" wherein all proceeds by both residents and non-residents shall be deposited initially before any remittances can be effected. This is to manage and monitor cross border remittances emanating from property sales.

immovable property whether to locals or foreigners. This account shall be opened in the name of the property owner or appointed agent as directed by the applicant.

Please note that this relates to <u>individuals only</u> as disposal of property by **corporates** with foreign ownership is treated as a **disinvestment** which requires Exchange Control approval as per the existing policy.

### TRANSFER OF PROCEEDS FROM THE SPECIAL FCA-"FCA (PROPERTY)"

#### To Zimbabweans outside Zimbabwe-

- Sales proceeds less or equal to USD50 000.00 or its equivalent in other currencies are transferrable at once.
- ii) Sale proceeds above USD50 000.00:-
  - The balance after the remittance of the initial USD50 000.00 shall be retained in the FCA Property) for at least one (1) year and interest earned shall be freely remittable each time it falls due.
  - Thereafter, the balance of the principal amount shall be remitted in four (4) equal tranches.

#### <u>To Zimbabweans residing in</u> Zimbabwe -

- Sale proceeds less or equal to USD50 000.00 shall be transferred at once from the FCA (Property) to an individual FCA.
- ii. Sale proceeds above USD50 000.00-the balance remaining in the FCA (Property) after the initial transfer of USD50 000.00 can be used for the import of goods to be consumed locally as well as payment of services both locally and offshore.

Capital Gains Tax and any other legal statutory deductions shall be paid accordingly from the sale proceeds before funds are deposited into the FCA (Property).

There is need to provide the bank with invoices confirming amounts payable and in the event of imports, original ZIMRA stamped Bills of entry should be furnished before funds from the FCA(Property) can be utilised for payments.

iii. The balance kept in the FCA (Property) can also be withdrawn as cash or transferred to the individual FCA in four (4) equal tranches within 12 months.

# CAPITAL AND CURRENT ACCOUNT TRANSACTIONS

The following transactions form the basis for specific applications to Exchange Control:-

- Disinvestment proposals
- Dilution proposals
- Mergers and Takeovers
- Cross Border Investments
- Dual Listing of Shares
- Restructuring and Rights Issue of Shares
- Sale of immovable property to foreigners
- Remittance of sale proceeds from sale of immovable property
- All agreements involving local and foreign parties
- Temporary and permanent export of household and personal effects
- Any other transactions which fall outside the Exchange Control Guidelines issued in July 2009.

In order to avoid adverse penalties, if a transaction falls under any of the categories mentioned, you shall furnish us with the relevant documentation for application to Exchange Control.

## Teaming up with the taxman

Settle your ZIMRA obligations through any MBCA branch. You do not need to be an MBCA client for you to settle your tax payments via MBCA Bank.

Contact us on 797295/250/323/295 or 792268 www.mbca.co.zw







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