

# CONSTRUCTION NEWS

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### • NCC: Aims and Objectives

- To unify the construction Industry, to promote its well being, to strive to create a profitable environment for its constituents, and to establish a united national platform encompassing formal and informal sectors of the industry and its professions
- To contribute to the reconstruction, rehabilitation and development of Zambia and the uplifting of all its people
- To promote and advance the status and public recognition of NCC, its members and the construction industry
- To promote encourage, support or oppose any legislation or other measures affecting the industry
- To address macro issues affecting the industry
- To co-ordinate, improve and facilitate the accessibility of training
- To strive, achieve, monitor and maintain the highest possible standards in the construction industry
- To add and amend these objects from time to time as decided upon by the National Council

## WILL 2002 BUDGET KICK-START OUR AILING (CONSTRUCTION) INDUSTRY?



Feeder Roads—Special target in the 2002 budget

Ever since the Minister of Finance and National Planning Hon. Emmanuel Kasonde unveiled this year's national budget on 1st March 2002, the NCC secretariat has been inundated with questions from all sectors of our society on how this year's budget will affect the construction industry. Admittedly, it must be stated from the onset that this year's budget has focused on long-term economic growth and sustainability of this country. Although the focus of the Minister's budget has been agriculture, it is important to note that, the spin offs from capital in-

vesting in agriculture i.e. dam, canal and feeder roads construction, are likely to boost the construction industry. The allocation of K38bn for Teachers houses in the rural areas is another positive measure in the budget that is likely to boost our industry.

Overall, the Minister has increased capital expenditure in this year's budget to 40% (K2,230.00bn) from the previous level of 38% (K1,893.65bn) in last year's budget. Unfortunately, however, the fact that 80% of this capital budget will be donor financed has inherent prob-

lems. Past experience has taught us that heavy reliance on donors to finance this segment of our budget has always proved to be negative, especially when government and the donors start debating good governance issues.

It is equally disappointing to note that, whilst the Finance Minister has made provision of liquidating part of its debts to the Mining suppliers and contractors, no such provision has been made to building and road consultants and contractors. Road construction

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## WILL 2002 BUDGET KICK-START OUR AILING (CONSTRUCTION) INDUSTRY?

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-companies (consultants and contractors) alone are believed to be owed in the range of K200bn by the government. I am equally aware that building and other civil engineering companies (other than roads) are also owed some substantial amounts of money by central government, but whose exact amount is still very unclear.

The budget allocation of K27.8 bn for feeder roads is yet another very positive development, which should definitely go a long way in promoting road construction business, especially in our remote areas. In the recent past, construction companies in rural areas have had no construction business to write home about. In this respect, it will be very important that the powers that be devise a mechanism of ensuring that local small-scale construction companies are not side-lined by the medium to large companies from urban areas or worst still from foreign firms.

The allocation of a mere K67 bn to the road fund, when it is very clear to government that all stakeholders in this field met and prepared a budget of K322 bn for this year has come as a great surprise to most of us. The silence by government on the K57 bn arrears on last year's fuel levy is another source of great worry to the industry. Unless, government can quickly increase this budget allocation to something close to the 2002 Annual Work Programme, we are likely to see a further deterioration of our road infrastructure.

The above notwithstanding, it is important to note with appreciation government's commitment to the construction industry and the National Council for Construction (NCC) in particular by allocating it K600m. This money is meant for building offices and the Building Centre as outlined in the National Construction Industry Policy Document paper.

The report by the Minister

of Finance and National planning that the construction industry grew by 11.5% last year will no doubt have been received with mixed feelings, given that the industry saw very little of this "growth" last year. The Government attributes this "growth" to the following projects: The expansion and refurbishment of the Lusaka international airport and the Mulungushi International Conference Centre, the Millennium village (sic), and the Chirundu Bridge project.

Given the low levels of infrastructure development in this country, it is very disappointing to note that this country was unable to utilise over US\$ 100m for road works due to delays in awarding civil works contracts, but what are the causes these delays?

No doubt this year's budget has been well received in the industry, but does the government have the political will and capacity to effectively implement its set development goals?

*"The Roan Antelope Mining Corporation of Zambia (RAMCOZ) was sold to scrap metal dealers"- Hon. Patrick Kalifungwa-Deputy Finance and National Planning Minister.*

### PROVINCIAL ROADS ENGINEERS ARE THE FIRST VICTIMS AS WORKS AND SUPPLY MINISTER CRACKS WHIP-

The Minister of Works and Supply, Hon. Ludwig Sondashi has effected transfers to Provincial Roads Engineers (PRE) in his ministry following reports that some PREs were not performing to expectations. The Minister further warned the PREs that he would be monitoring their future performances

and those found wanting will face further sanctions.

Some of the allegations against the PREs are that some of them have been busy concentrating on their own private construction firms at the expense of government work, whilst others have been conniving with contractors resulting in some very shoddy

work from these same contractors. Whereas, the zero tolerance on corruption must be encouraged and assisted in weeding the bad eggs from the ministry as manifested by the wealth they have amassed, beyond their salaries, it must be noted that most of them are honest and hard working.

## ROADS SECTOR CONTINUES TO DOMINATE ZAMBIA'S CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

Roads related stories have continued to dominate the construction industry as reports countrywide seem to tell. The emphasis on feeder roads in this year's budget will only cement that view for some time to come..

From the Copperbelt, road activity seems to be thriving despite hindrances. It was recently published that work on a K900 million road rehabilitation project in Kalulushi had been interrupted by bad weather, lengthy testing processes and interesting of all, theft. It was said that

about ten 210 litre drums of bitumen had gone missing. This was indeed a drawback, as well as a threat to development.

In light of such events, it would be advisable that security be considered more seriously now than ever to avoid pilfering and subsequent losses in resources.

On a comforting note, an MP mobilised \$2,000 worth of bitumen from a construction company for resurfacing of roads in Chingola. This, he said, was initiated by the Chingola Community Road Ini-

tiative. Such proactive efforts by our representatives as well as the public ought to be commended.

Meanwhile, it has been reported that the Roads Department will be carrying out Feasibility studies in Mpongwe. We hope more such studies are taking place around the country to ensure that effective construction of roads is implemented. It is quite disturbing to see roads recently rehabilitated or constructed needing repair after a short while.

## WHO IS A LOCAL CONTRACTOR: AN ISSUE THAT NEEDS REVISITING?

One would have thought that with recent declarations by top Government officials to give preference to locally based contractors things would be calm in the industry, but that is not to be.

Small-scale contractors in North Western Province recently complained to

their Permanent Secretary over the unfair awarding of contracts to non local contractors (from outside the province). But shouldn't any Zambian contractor be allowed to do business in any part of this country?.

Given the huge investment that is likely to be injected in feeder roads following this

year's budget, it is important that the term local contractors is clearly defined and understood by all stakeholders, otherwise this issue risks dividing this country into areas where people from other provinces, regions and worse still tribes will not be allowed to do business.

## NCC INTRODUCES CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS PRICE INDICES

The National Council for Construction has introduced construction materials price indices for a number of some of the most common used construction materials in this country. The introduction of these indices is meant to monitor the price fluctuations of these construction materials so as to be able to calculate their price fluctua-

tion rates and also allow for some amount of prediction on their price movements in the near future.

Although it is too early to judge the success or otherwise of this exercise, it is disappointing to note that most of our hardware outlets and other construction material suppliers are not co-operating with us on

this exercise and we wonder why.

With the deployment of more resources and with the assistance of our councils, the NCC would like to extend this exercise to monitoring the amount of new construction works undertaken every month from all the towns and cities in this country.

*"We intend, in the new deal, to have a more human centred development process in which the Zambian citizen is both the end and means of development"- President Levy Mwanawasa S.C.*

## WORLD BANK APPROVES \$20M CREDIT TO SUPPORT BASIC SOCIAL SERVICES IN THE WEST BANK AND GAZA STRIP

The World Bank recently signed a \$20m credit support for the provision of basic social services in the West bank and Gaza. The credit was signed under the Emergency Humanitarian and Relief Services. The World Bank notes that the need for this support was necessitated by the on going Israeli-Palestinian conflict which now seems to be escalating rather than scaling down.

The Israeli-Palestinian conflict has unfortunately seen the destruction of basic physical infrastruc-

ture on both sides. In some cases the Israeli Army and Air force has moved in with tanks and Helicopters respectively, to destroy homes and offices belong to Palestinian suspected to belong to terrorists organisations.

It is hoped that funds from this credit can be used to finance an Emergency Services support Project (ESSP) by catering for essential medical and school supplies, municipal solid waste management and municipal water and electricity services. The aforementioned credit was

issued on a standard International Development association (IDA) terms with a 40 year maturity and 10 year grace period.

The World Bank has also approved a US\$24.3m loan to the Cambodia government meant for assisting that country with its Land management and Administration project. When fully implemented, the project is meant to assist over one million land owners get their title deeds and improve the land information base and land management. **World bank Weekly Web Update.**

## CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IN THE UK STILL IN SERIOUS SKILLS SHORTAGE

The British construction industry is still facing a serious shortage of construction staff.

The above situation can be attributed to the aging British population and the low rate of applications for undergraduate construction studies.

Consequently, a number of

professional bodies and Institutes have instituted long-term measures to reverse the aforementioned trend. In this regard, the Architecture and Surveying Institute (ASI) of the UK has developed a ten year strategic plan, that aims to position the institute in the forefront of education, promote

careers, establish working relationships with the education sector.

It is envisaged that with this ten year strategic plan, the ASI will also ensure a well trained construction workforce for the country. Colleges and Universities have also embarked on similar plans.

## INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT IS KEY TO POVERTY REDUCTION-WORLD BANK

The World Bank affirms that developing countries need to allocate more funds for the provision of infrastructure for the poor and implementation of basic development goals if the high levels of poverty in the developing world are to be eradicated.

Infrastructure provision

has been linked to poverty reduction in that it helps in job creation and fosters worker productivity. Other benefits include, raised standards of living, improved health, and, increased access to education.

According to a recent World Bank publication,

global statistics are such that, about 1.2 billion people lack access to safe water; 2.4 billion people have inadequate sanitation; 2.5 billion people lack access to effective energy supply; and 900 million rural dwellers live without reliable all weather roads.

*"I would like to see an increased number of Zambian companies and contractors participating in road construction and maintenance programmes. In this respect I would like to see that preference is given to locally based contractors and to those who employ labour based methods so as to create jobs and enhance livelihoods of our people". President Levy Mwanamasa S.C.*

**Women in construction—Mrs. D.M. Bwali  
Architect  
Bwali and Associates**

*“Time for government dominance in economic pursuits is long gone. Government will continue to provide an enabling environment where honest hard work, creativity, initiative and individual entrepreneurship will be rewarded. I want to see Zambians engaged in productive work in all sectors of the economy.”*  
*President Levy Mwanawasa S. C.*



**Q. What is the best aspect of your job?**

**A.** The combination of field and office work gives me a good balance in my working life. My job gives me an opportunity to interact with colleagues in related disciplines, meet new people and best of all the satisfaction of seeing plans being translated into reality knowing that I have played an effective role to

ensure successful completion of a project.

**Q. Can you please describe to us, your typical working day.**

**A.** Recently, I completed a project which enabled me to work with various contractors, community based groups and travel extensively on the Copperbelt Province. I had to Coordinate work on 19 sites and as such my typical day was usually hectic and involved following activities:-

- Check and ensure that the project vehicle was road worthy for the day’s trip
- Attend to urgent issues in the office
- Follow up on procurement of building materials, payments and recommendations for the sites being visited.
- Prepare all the drawings and files for the sites
- Site inspec-

**Women in construction– Mrs. D.M. Bwali  
Architect  
Bwali and Associates**



Bachelor of Architecture – University of Zambia, Kitwe

**Q. What are your future plans, career wise?**

**A.** I would like to advance and attain more qualifications in Architecture and if possible qualification in a related discipline such as Estate Management.

**Q. What are your hobbies?**

**A.** Cooking, sewing, listening to music and gardening.

**Q. What piece of advice do you have for the young girls or women intending to take up Architecture or any other construction related job?**

**A.** I would encourage more women to enter the industry so that eventually we can do away with “the male dominated industry” tag. Architecture is like any other profession but I would hasten to add that those intending to do so should remain focused on their goals and objectives and through hard-work and determination they will succeed. I also hope that the few women in the industry today will be an inspiration for others to join!

- Site inspections and meetings
  - If back in the office before 17:00 hours, attend to outstanding issues in the office.
- on what the Architectural profession was about, my father encouraged and supported me to take it up as a career.

**Q. If you could swap jobs, what would you choose to do?**

**A.** I have no intention of swapping jobs, but if I could it would still be in the construction industry.

**Q. Which schools, colleges and Universities did you attend?**

**A.** Grade 1 – 2 Kan-senji Primary, Ndola  
Grade 2 – 7 Lotus Primary, Lusaka  
Form 1 – 5 Roma Girls Secondary School

**Q. Do you regret becoming an Architect or entering this male dominated industry?**

**A.** I have no regrets although, there are times when some situations can be tough but I take that as a challenge. I have no problems working with men.

**Q. Who has been your greatest inspiration in your life, especially in taking up Architecture as a Career?**

**A.** After being briefed

*“During the past 50 years globalisation has benefited many people, but left too many behind”-Horst Koehler  
Director International  
Monetary Fund.*

# TENDER NOTICE

## ZAMBIA NATIONAL TENDER BOARD

# *Invitation For Bids*

**TB/CE/001/02: TENDER FOR THE ROUTINE/PERIODIC  
MAINTANANCE/REHABILITATION OF  
URBAN ROADS IN THE WESTERN PROVINCE**

The Ministry of Local Government and Housing has received a grant from the National Roads Board's Road towards the cost of a Project to Support the Road Sector Investment Program (ROADSIP) and intends to apply the funds under the contract for Routine/Periodic Maintenance of Urban and Feeder Roads in the Western Province.

The Zambia National Tender Board, on behalf of the Ministry of Local Government and housing (MLGH), invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the repair of potholes, edge repairs, surface sealing, drains and shoulder repair of urban roads in Western Province in the following Districts:

Mongu District	Senanga District
Kaoma District	Kalabo District
Lukulu District	Sesheke District

Interested bidders may bid for one or more of the above Districts.

The Invitation for Bids is open to all bidders who are registered with the Roads Department in the Ministry of Works and Supply and can demonstrate satisfactory previous experience in works of a similar nature to those described in the Bidding Documents.

Eligible applicants may obtain the bidding documents from the office of the Director General, Zambia National Tender Board, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor, Kulima Tower, P.O. Box 31009, Lusaka, Zambia upon payment of a non-refundable fee of ZMK 300,000.00 or its equivalent in any freely convertible currency at the prevailing exchange rate in cash or bank certified cheque.

The telephone numbers are 260 1 227052/3 or 260 1 228633/4 and telefax numbers are 260 1 220577 or 260 1 223649, E-mail tenders@zamnet.zm. **HOWEVER, TELEFAX OFFERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

The bids must be deposited in the tender box on the 10<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Zambia National Tender Board, Kulima Tower, and should be accompanied by a bid security of not less than 2% of the bid sum.

The closing and opening date for the submission of bids is Friday, 22 March 2002 at 14:00 hours local time. The bids will be opened immediately thereafter in the conference room of the Zambia National Tender Board, on the 13<sup>th</sup> Floor, in the presence of bidders or their representatives who choose to attend. Late bids will not be accepted.

M. Akolwa  
Acting Board Secretary  
**ZAMBIA NATIONAL TENDER BOARD**

*“Development of Africa  
may not be in the  
interest of Europe and  
America”*

*Matthew Mulanda MP.*

# TENDER NOTICE

## INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB) AHC MINING MUNICIPAL SERVICES LIMITED MINE TOWNSHIP SERVICES PROJECT INSTALLATION OF PUMPS AND PIPELINES AT LUANSHYA

Credit No. 3386-Z  
IFB No. 0002/2002

1. The Government of the Republic of Zambia, on behalf of AC Mining Municipal Services Project Limited has received a credit from the International Development Association toward the cost of the Mine Township Services Project (MTSP), and it intends to apply part of the funds to cover eligible payments under the Contract for **Installation of Pumps and Pipelines at Luanshya, IFB No. 0002/2002**. Bidding is open to all bidders from eligible source countries as defined in the Guidelines: Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits, January 1995 (revised January and August 1996, September 1997 and January 1999).
2. The AHC-Mining Municipal Services Limited, as an executing agent for the Borrower invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the **Installation of Pumps and Pipelines at Luanshya**.
3. Bidding documents (and additional copies) may be purchased at the address below for a non refundable fee of Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Kwacha or Sixty Five (65) United States Dollars or equivalent in a freely convertible currency, for each set. Interested bidders may obtain further information at the same address.
4. Bids shall be valid for a period of **Ninety (90) days** after Bid opening and must be accompanied by a bid security of **at least two (2) per cent of the total bid price** and shall be delivered to or dropped in the locked tender box located at the reception of the first floor at the address given below at or before **14:00 hours, local time, on 4 April 2002**, at which time they will be opened in the presence of the bidders who wish to attend.
5. Bidding will be conducted through the national competitive bidding procedures specified in the World Bank's Guidelines: *Procurement under IDRD Loans and IDA Credits*, January 1995 (revised January and August 1996, September 1997 and January 1999).
6. Information including names of potential bidders and contact persons telephone and facsimile numbers, e-mail and physical mailing address should be provided in the application letter to facilitate communication during the bidding process.
7. There will be an official site visit for all bidders on 7 March 2002. All prospective bidders are advised to attend. The assembly point shall be at Luanshya Civic Centre along Independence Avenue on Thursday, 7 March 2002 at 10:00 hours local time.

Kizzy Moonga  
Head of Supply  
AHC-Mining Municipal Services Limited  
Investments House, Kantanta Street  
P.O. Box 22494

**KITWE**

Tel: No. 260 2 245073 / 260 2 245091  
Cell: 260 96 901086 Fax: 260 2 245199

*"If I were the president of a Third World nation..., I would be far more frightened by a well-dressed gentleman bringing loans from the IMF or Citibank than by a bearded guerrilla muttering threats of revolution" Lewis Lapham, Imperial Masquerade, 1990*

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# *Invitation For Bids*

### TB/W/001/02-1221: TENDER FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF SEMI-DETACHED HOUSES AT 5NO. BASIC SCHOOL IN LUSAKA

The Government of the Republic of Zambia, through the Ministry of Education has received a grant from the Japan Counter Value Fund towards the cost of Basic Education Sub-Sector Investment Programme (BESSIP) and intends to apply part of the funds to construct houses at five (5no.) basic schools in Lusaka. The Zambia National Tender Board, on behalf of the Ministry of Education now invites contractors to submit bids for the tender for the construction of twelve (12no.) semi-detached houses at five (5no.) basic schools in Lusaka as follows:

#### LOT 1: BALASTONE AND JOHN LAING BASIC SCHOOLS

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| (ii) John Laing | 2no. |

#### LOT 2: PRINCE TAKAMADO (BAULENI) AND CHAINDA BASIC SCHOOLS

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| (iii) Prince Takamado | 2no. |
| (iv) Chainda          | 2no. |

#### LOT 3: NG'OMBE BASIC SCHOOL

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| (v) Ng'ombe | 3no. |
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Interested bidders may bid for one or more of the above Lots.

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The bids must be deposited in the tender box on the 10<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Zambia National Tender Board, Kulima Tower, and should be accompanied by a bid security of not less than 2% of the bid sum. The closing and opening date for the submission of bids is Friday, 22 March 2002 at 14:00 hours local time. The bids will be opened immediately thereafter in the conference room of the Zambia National Tender Board, on the 13<sup>th</sup> Floor, in the presence of bidders or their representative who choose to attend. Late bids will not be accepted.

**M Akolwa**  
**Acting Board Secretary**  
**ZAMBIA NATIONAL TENDER BOARD**

*“Our people are trained at high cost but we cannot expect them to deliver if we do not give them competitive conditions of service and if the government does not provide a conducive working environment” -*  
*President Levy Mwanamasa S.C.*

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## TENDER NOTICE

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### LUSAKA HINDU ASSOCIATION

### NKHWAZI PRIMARY SCHOOL

### INVITATION FOR BIDS

### TENDER FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A MULTIPURPOSE HALL

The Board of Management of Nkhwazi Primary School hereby invites eligible building contractors in the Grade III to VI category to submit sealed bids for the construction of a multipurpose hall and other ancillary works to be carried out at the school on Plot 6475 Ituna Road, Lusaka.

The bidding document can be purchased from the headmaster upon payment of a non-refundable fee of K500,000.00 in cash or a bank certified cheque made out to Nkhwazi Primary School.

Sealed letters containing tender documents should be addressed to "The Secretary, Board of Management, Nkhwazi Primary School, P.O. Box 50950, Lusaka", marked "Tender for multipurpose Hall" and should be delivered to the Headmaster.

The closing date for the receipt of bids is Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2002 at 12:30 hours local time.

Tenders will be opened at 14:30 hours local time on 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2002 at the School and all bidders are welcome to attend the opening.

B. Menon  
SECRETARY  
BOARD OF MANAGEMENT  
NKHWAZI PRIMARY SCHOOL  
P.O. BOX 50950, ITUNA ROAD, RIDGEWAY, LUSAKA.

TEL. (01) 251353, FAX (01) 251269  
E-MAIL: [nkhwazi@zamtel.zm](mailto:nkhwazi@zamtel.zm)

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*"We cannot have a Zambia in 2002, in throes of a seemingly incurable crisis where eating has become a luxury for many of our people". –President Levy Mwanawasa S. C.*

## Regional Seminar for Labour-Based Practitioners; Maputo Mozambique

### Invitation to the 9<sup>th</sup> Regional Seminar for Labour-based Practitioners, Maputo, Mozambique

The National Road Administration of Mozambique is pleased to extend an invitation to all practitioners in Labour-based technologies to attend the Ninth Regional Seminar for Labour-based Practitioners which is to take place in Maputo, Mozambique, from 19<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> May 2002. Further details and a registration form are given in the attached information pack ( contact the NCC Secretariat).

Theme of the 9<sup>th</sup> Seminar will be 'Towards Appropriate Engineering Practices and an Enabling Environment'. We aim to organise a seminar that focuses on the practical issues faced by those involved in the day-to-day implementation of labour-based works and comes up with conclusions that define best practice in the field. The best of the abstracts that are submitted under this very wide general theme will be selected and used to define the sub-themes and topics for discussion on the seminar. We hope that you will accept this challenge to produce a paper that will set the theme for the 9<sup>th</sup> Regional Seminar.

The seminar will take place at the **Hotel Rovuma, which** is located in the centre of the city of Maputo. We hope that you will find time to appreciate a little of the cultural diversity of Mozambique during the course of the seminar, and can thoroughly recommend that you spend some additional time in Mozambique enjoying the pristine beaches that line our 3000 km long coastline.

Fee for attendance at the seminar has been fixed at 480 USD for those paying before 1<sup>st</sup> February 2002. We have negotiated hotel rates per night for single rooms varying from 85 USD at the Rovuma (seminar venue) to 35 USD at the Hotel Moçambicano. Please note that in order to guarantee your hotel booking, a payment for one night must be made 2 months in advance. Optional tours to visit labour-based sites or tourist resorts can be programmed for the days immediately following the seminar if enough interest is indicated in advance. This would be at an extra cost. Some options are given in the information pack.

For more information, please contact the Steering Committee whose address is given on the attached brochure. If you have difficulty contacting ANE our e-mail is: regsem9@virconn.com. You may also try ILO/ASIST at:-

**PO Box 210, Harare, Zimbabwe, Tel: +263-4-369824-8**  
**Fax: +263-4-369829, Email: asist@ilosamat.org.zw,**  
**asist@africaonline.co.zw**

We would be grateful if you would confirm your participation, either to present a paper, attend the seminar or make a post-seminar tour as soon as is convenient. Looking forward to meeting you in May 2002.

*"The New deal is not and will not be a mere political slogan. It must be translated into practical actions that can rejuvenate and diversify our economy and restore prosperity and hope to our people". –Hon. Emmanuel Kasonde Minister of Finance and National Development.*

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*"It is only in Zambia where commodity prices and interest rates stay high even when the currency gained value"-*  
*Prof. Venkatesh Seshamani (UNZA Economics Department)*

## **NCC SUB-COMMITTEES**

### **EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

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 Mr. A. Luring  
 Mr. Mungandi  
 Ex-officio: Dr. M. S. Mashamba

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**1.0 AFRICAN EXPO USA 2002, CALIFORNIA**

Air North South Ltd, in cooperation with the First Trust Consultants Ltd of Kenya and in consultation with Siera Delta International and Meeting Planning Consultants, both of Los Angeles, California, have organised the first ever African Expo USA 2002 in California, USA. The main objectives of the exposition to be held from June 10 - 17 are:

- to promote and increase trade between Eastern and Southern African Countries with USA and the adjacent islands
- to promote and to attract investment opportunities between Eastern and Southern African countries and the USA
- to promote and to market the tourism potential between Eastern and Southern African Countries with USA and the adjacent islands
- to promote African designers and showcase African fashions from Eastern and Southern African Countries with USA and the adjacent islands
- Eastern and Southern African States to approach the African and Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA) as a block for the mutual benefit of all the States in the region.
- Facilitate Business-to-Business (B2B) network.
- To promote private sector initiatives under COMESA, SADC, EAC protocols and agreements

For further details contact the organisers on Telefax: 254 2 342158, e-mail: info@airnorthsouth.co.ke or visit their website: www.airnorthsouth.co.ke/westcoast

**2.0. PanAfrican-Caribbean Conference on Air Transport, Atlanta, Georgia USA 8-11 April 2002**

There are new initiatives in the Air Transport business to develop more links with the African continent. This should be welcome and encouraged because the cost of air transport both cargo and passenger is prohibitively high for developing countries. During the last two months of last year, air travel in Europe was down to a couple of dollars between countries in an effort to boost interest in flying. This effort was made in view of the September air crash disasters in New York and Washington.

For more information please visit the web site: www.panafricanconference.com. Or the PSDA Secretariat in Lusaka, Zambia

**3.0 All Africa Trade fair, 22nd -30th April 2002**

The General Organisation for Exhibitions and International Fairs of Egypt is organising the above fair scheduled to take place in Nasr City, Cairo from 22-30 April 2002. Those interested can contract ZACCI Secretariat (information Office) for brochures about the fair. Companies that wish to seek more information can contract the organisers on tel: 02/2607856/33 fax 02/2607845-48-21, e-mail: goief@idscl.net.eg website: www.goief.gov.eg or contract Mr. Mamdouh Sallman (second secretary) at the Egyptian Embassy on e-mail: comegypt@zamnet.zm

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The NCC operates a full time secretariat which is currently situated at the

Government Roads training School, Plot 1609/1625, Off Sheki Sheki Road, Light Industrial Area. The NCC also provides the following services; Photocopying, fax, e-mail, typing and internet facilities.

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