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Condolences

The Livestock and Meat Advisory Council and its allied Associations extend sincere condolences to the family, friends and colleagues of the late Minister of Lands, Agriculture, Water and Rural Resettlement, Honourable Air Chief Marshal Perrance Shiri (Rtd) who unexpectedly passed away this morning.

OVERVIEW

The National Breed Sale scheduled for today has been indefinitely postponed after new lockdown and movement restrictions were gazetted on Wednesday last week. Sellers and buyers are very disappointed that this prestigious event has been delayed, especially as the Sale has been planned months in advance.

Zimbabwe Herd Book recognises the effort by pedigree breeders to invest top quality genetics in both the stud industry and the national herd. Four options to re-format the Sale have been proposed and a revised date will be set as soon as possible, taking into account that moving cattle from areas outside Harare and intercity travel has been severely curtailed.

Zimbabwe Commercial Rabbit Breeders Association

The Zimbabwe Commercial Rabbit Breeders Association (ZiCORBA) has been recently constituted and the Association was launched on 1st July. Functional Regional Chapters have also been established in each of the country's provinces. A team are currently working on capturing vital statistics about the rabbit industry in Zimbabwe.

ZiCORBA will also be affiliated to the Livestock and Meat Advisory Council and this nascent Association is congratulated on its resolve and determination to contribute meaningfully to the protein sector. Recommendations have also been made for inclusion of rabbit breeding as smallstock in the Livestock Growth Plan that is being worked on by the Ministry.

Inclusive Poultry Value Chain Project

Activities undertaken by the Project have been severely hampered by movement restrictions and many meetings are being hosted on-line to create momentum in the Poultry Business Associations and to finalise their Constitutions and other regulatory paperwork. Information about the table egg sector is still being gathered that will contribute to the promotion of egg production, marketing and consumption.



LIT
Livestock Identification Trust



MPAZ
Meat Processors
Association
of Zimbabwe



PPAZ
PIG PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION OF ZIMBABWE



SMA
Stockfeed Manufacturers Association



ZAA
Zimbabwe
Association
of
Abattoirs



ZADF
ZIMBABWE ASSOCIATION OF DAIRY FARMERS



ZFPA
Zimbabwe
Fish Producers
Association



ZIMBABWE FREE RANGE
POULTRY ASSOCIATION



ZHB
ZIMBABWE HERD BOOK



ZPA



ZQAP
Zimbabwe Quality Assured Pork