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Cibo Seeds (Pvt) Ltd
Danai Farm, 25 km peg, Domboshava Road
Borrowdale, Harare

Attention: Mr Rwafa Rwafa

RE: DESIGNATION OF CERTIFYING AGENCY STATUS – CIBO SEEDS PRIVATE LIMITED

This letter serves to notify you that the Certifying Authority is recommending you to the Ministry of Lands, Agriculture, Fisheries, water and Rural Development to be designated as a Certifying agency for Maize, wheat, sorghum, Pearl-millet, Finger millet, sunflower, soyabean, sugarbean, cowpea, Groundnut, Roundnuts, Forage seeds (Velvet bean, Lablab) seed production and marketing. This is according to section 4 of the Seeds Act and is with effect from 23 June 2025. This has been after the approval of your constitution, regulations and seed handling and storage facilities.

The licence will run for a period of one calendar year and is supposed to be renewed yearly. The renewal fee is US\$350-00 or ZIG equivalent. The licence certificate must be displayed on your premises all the time.

The Certifying Authority would like to take this opportunity to remind you that:

- For the crops to be registered and inspected for certification, the following information should be furnished to us during crop registration: name of Seed Company, name and address of seed grower, farm name, location, kind of crop, variety, class to be produced, hectarage, previous cropping **and source and quantity of parent material planted.**
- All crops should be inspected by the Certifying Authority during active growth preferably at flowering stage.
- All the seed shall be Inspected by Seed Services Institute before sale.



- Your company should have its own inspectors gazetted by the Certifying Authority after attaining a minimum of two years in the company and going through training and examination by Seed Services Institute.
- Ensure that the seed is stored separately from other materials must be protected against rodents, insects, moisture, heat and harmful substances.

N.B Your Seed House License/ Certifying Agency status is a legal privilege bestowed by the Certifying Authority to enable your company to act as the Authority's agent in seed certification which can be withdrawn if abused.

Be guided accordingly.



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Head, Seed Services Institute

