MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN

THE REPUBLIC OF ZIMBABWE

AND

THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

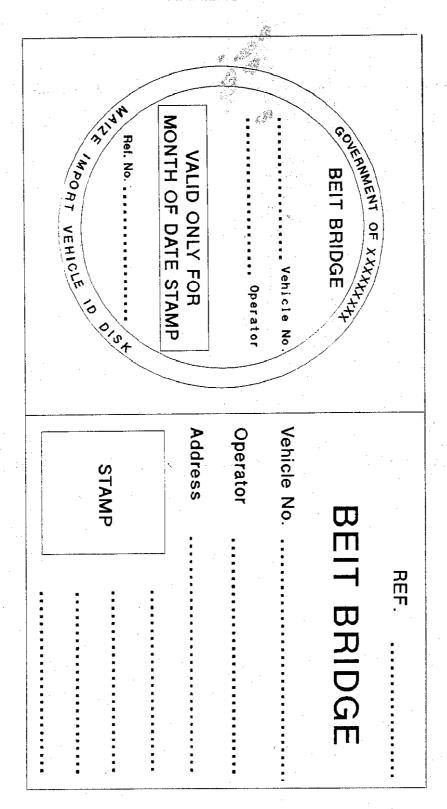
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The Governments of the Republic of Zimbabwe and of the Republic of South Africa have agreed as follows:



ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

In this Memorandum of Understanding, unless inconsistent with the context-

- (a) "carrier" means, respectively, any inhabitant of South Africa or Zimbabwe or any legal person registered in South Africa or Zimbabwe to engage in the conveyance of commodities by road for hire or reward or in the course of his industry, trade or business, by means of vehicles registered in South Africa or Zimbabwe.
- (b) "commodity" means a commodity or commodities listed in Annexure A.
- (c) "competent authority" means-
 - (i) for South Africa, the National Transport Commission; or
 - (ii) for Zimbabwe, the Controller of Road Motor Transportation; or
 - (iii) any other body designated for that purpose by the respective Contracting Party.
- (d) "permit" means a valid permit issued by a competent authority in terms of-
 - (i) the Road Transportation Act, 1977 (Act No. 74 of 1977) in South Africa; or
 - (ii) the Road Motor Transportation Act (Chapter 262) in Zimbabwe.



ARTICLE II

RECIPROCAL RECOGNITION OF PERMITS

- A permit issued by the competent authority of a Contracting Party shall be valid for the transportation of a commodity by road in the territory of the other Contracting Party.
- Subject to the provisions of subarticle 1, no further formalities shall apply with regard to the authorization of the transportation of a commodity by road between the territories of the Contracting Parties.
- 3. Subarticle 1 shall not apply to traffic transiting the territory of either Contracting Party to the territory of a third country.



ARTICLE III

OTHER TRANSPORT

- Notwithstanding the provisions of Article II, the competent authorities of each Contracting Party shall take all steps necessary to facilitate the movement of transit traffic involved in the transport of a commodity.
- 2. The competent authorities of each Contracting Party shall facilitate the authorization of road transportation permits where carriers which are engaged to transport a commodity during one leg of a journey between the territories of the Contracting Parties, undertake the transportation of goods not defined as a commodity in terms of this Memorandum of Understanding during the other leg of such journey.



ARTICLE IV

MONITORING AND IMPLEMENTATION

- The Contracting Parties shall take the necessary steps to monitor the implementation of this
 Memorandum of Understanding and may, in conjunction with carriers and organizations
 representing carriers, establish mechanisms to give effect to the provisions of this subarticle.
- In executing the provisions of subarticle 1, the competent authorities of each Contracting Party shall issue an identification marking for each mechanically-propelled vehicle, as set out in Annexure B, engaged by their respective carriers in the transportation of a commodity in terms of this Memorandum of Understanding.
- In executing the provisions of subarticle 1, the Contracting Parties shall be entitled to review their continued adherence to this Memorandum of Understanding on a three-monthly basis.
- With regard to the transportation of a commodity as envisaged in this Memorandum of Understanding, the Contracting Parties agree that the following special arrangements shall apply:
 - (a) At least one-third of all maize of non-South African origin imported by Zimbabwe via South Africa by road, shall be transported by South African carriers who have subcontracted with the carrier who has been appointed by the Zimbabwean authorities for the transportation of such maize.
 - (b) The South African carriers referred to in paragraph (a) shall be remunerated in South African, United States or United Kingdom currency.

(c) Zimbabwe agrees to provide South Africa with a list of all South African carriers subcontracted to transport maize to Zimbabwe in terms of paragraph (a).



ARTICLE V

APPLICATION OF NATIONAL LAWS...

The provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding shall not derogate from the application of the provisions of national laws and regulations imposing any restrictions and controls on grounds of public health, road traffic, veterinary or phytopathological reasons or the levying of dues chargeable by virtue of such laws and regulations of a Contracting Party.



ARTICLE VI

TRANSIT FEES

Carriers engaged in the transportation of a commodity between the territories of the Contracting Parties, shall pay uniform transit fees in the territory of either Contracting Party.



ARTICLE VII

HARMONIZATION OF AXLE-MASS LOADS

The Contracting Parties shall endeavour to harmonize their rules with regard to permissible axlemass loading in respect of road transportation conducted in terms of this Memorandum of Understanding.



ARTICLE VIII

FINAL PROVISIONS

- This Memorandum of Understanding shall enter into force on 9 June 1992.
- This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended by mutual agreement between the Contracting Parties.
- 3. This Memorandum of Understanding shall remain in force for a period of twelve months from the date of entry into force, provided that a Contracting Party may, at intervals of three, six and nine months calculated from the date of entry into force, notify the other Contracting Party in writing through diplomatic channels of its intention to withdraw from this Memorandum of Understanding.
- 4. A Contracting Party intending to withdraw from this Memorandum of Understanding in terms of subarticle 3, shall give at least forty-eight hours notice of its Intention to the other Contracting Party.

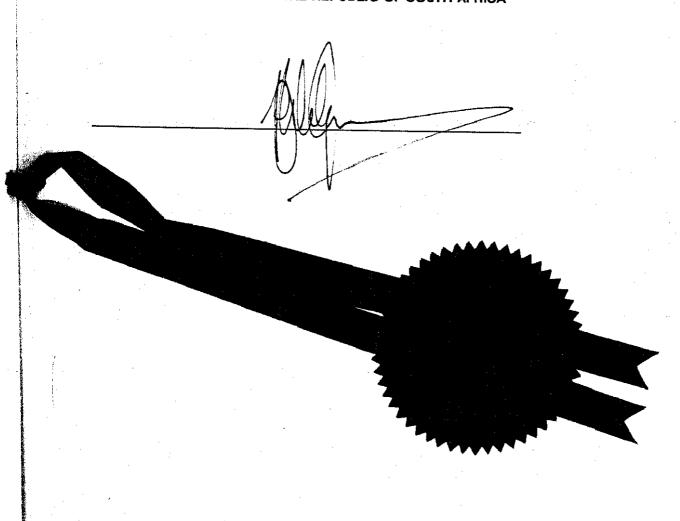


IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, thereunto duly authorised by their respective Governments, have signed this Memorandum of Understanding in duplicate in the English language.

DONE at Pretoria on this ninth day of June One thousand Nine hundred and ninety-two.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZIMBABWE

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA



ANNEXURE A

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