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THE EXCHEQUER AND AUDIT ACT

(Cap. 412)

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by sections 34 (1) and 36 of the Exchequer and Audit Act, the Minister for Finance, makes the following Regulations:—

THE EXCHEQUER AND AUDIT (AGRICULTURAL INFORMATION CENTRE REVOLVING FUND) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2000

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Exchequer and Audit (Agricultural Information Centre Revolving Fund) (Amendment) Regulations, 2000.

2. The Exchequer and Audit (Agricultural Information Centre Revolving Fund) Regulations, 1993, in these Regulations referred to as the "principal Regulations", are amended in regulation 2—

(a) by inserting the following definitions in their proper alphabetical sequence:

"Board" means the Board of Management of the Fund established under regulation 8;

"Centre" means the Agricultural Information Centre;

"officer administering the Fund" means a Director of the Centre appointed for that purpose by the accounting officer of the Ministry for the time being responsible for Agriculture.

3. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 3—

(a) by deleting paragraph (2) and substituting therefor the following new paragraph—

(2) The Fund shall be administered by a Director of the Centre appointed for that purpose by the accounting officer of the Ministry for the time being responsible for matters relating to Agriculture.

(b) by inserting the following new paragraph immediately after paragraph (4):

(5) All the monies of the Fund shall be paid into a special account operated by the officer administering the Fund.

4. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting the following new Regulations immediately after regulation 7:

8. (1) There shall be established a Board of Management of the Fund which shall consist of—

(a) the Permanent Secretary in the Ministry for the time being responsible for Agriculture or a representative;

- (b) the Permanent Secretary in the Ministry for the time being responsible for finance or a representative;
 - (c) the Director of Agriculture and Livestock Production;
 - (d) the Director of Veterinary Services;
 - (e) one person appointed by the Minister to represent the body for the time being recognized by the Government as being responsible for media regulation in Kenya;
 - (f) four persons respectively nominated by the following organizations in accordance with their own constitutions and approved by the Minister—
 - (i) two organizations for the time being recognized by the Government as representing the interests of farmers; and
 - (ii) two organizations recognized by the Government as representing the interests of media practitioners and the commercial sector respectively.
- (2) The Minister shall nominate one of the members appointed under paragraph (1) to be chairman.
- (3) The Board may from time to time establish such committees and co-opt such persons as it may deem necessary for the exercise of its functions.
- (4) The Minister shall appoint one person being a Director of the Centre to be secretary to the Board.
- (5) The members of the Board appointed by the Minister shall hold office for a period of three years and shall be eligible for reappointment for one further term of three years.
9. (1) The Board shall meet at least four times in each financial year.
- (2) The Chairman may convene a special meeting of the Board at any time at the request of any three members.
- (3) The quorum for the conduct of the business of the Board shall be two-thirds of the members.
- (4) Where there is no unanimity, decisions of the Board shall be carried by a majority of the members present, and in the case of a tie the Chairman shall have a casting vote.
- (5) Subject to the foregoing the Board may regulate its own procedure.
10. The functions of the Board shall be—
- (a) to supervise and control the administration of the Fund;
 - (b) to provide overall policy guidance and ensure that the monies paid out by the Fund are used for the intended purpose;
 - (c) to approve the workplans and operational and procurement plans and programmes for the Centre;

(d) to approve the Centre's budget for submission to the Treasury;
and

(e) to render such advice to the Minister for Agriculture as may from
time to time be deemed necessary.

5. The principal Regulations are amended by renumbering regulation 8 as regulation 11 and deleting therefrom paragraphs (a) and (b).

Made on the 30th December, 1999.

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Minister for Finance.