CHECK LIST FOR S A NATIONALS FARMING IN ZIMBABWE

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- **1. Register / open correspondence with SA Embassy**
- 2. Company Registered

3. Valuation Consortium

- 4. Correspond regularly
- 5. S A farmers list / committee
- 6. S A farmers information groups
- 7. Register with ROSA
- 8. Afriforum (Afrikaans Forum)

- 1. Open up **IMMEDIATE** *correspondence with the South African Government,* through the Embassy in Harare. List the following:
 - a) Name and SA ID No. or numbers
 - b) Farm name and district and Farming Company name
 - c) Ask the Ambassador / Embassy to assist you in recovering your losses from the Zimbabwean Government.

Initially leave this as a broad request. Once the Ambassador / Embassy have replied to your opening letter then get into more specifics, but at all times remain polite, and professional. **Do not** over state your case; make sure of your facts, because at some future date you will have to justify your claims!!

- d) Farmers still on their land must also *register with the Embassy*. Keep them informed on your situation.
- e) **Do not** put a figure to your **land and improvements** claim to the Embassy, as heaps of individual claims will only cause confusion.

- 2. *Ensure that your farming company is still registered with the Registrar of Companies* in Zimbabwe. This is essential; if registration is not kept up the assets of the company will revert to the State. Get your accountant to sort this out immediately.
- 3. *Ensure you or your farming company is registered with the Valuation Consortium* / Redfern and Mullet. It is essential that a value be put to your assets, as at some stage, this will be presented individually or as a group action.
- 4. CORRESPOND REGULARLY (at least once a month to keep the pressure on) with the Ambassador / Embassy and build up your case history with them. This correspondence will be needed in court one of these days. Keep copies of all correspondence sent and received. Send copies of all this correspondence to the Chairman, SA FARMERS COMMITTEE
 - Louis Fick (<u>lfick@cfuzim.org</u>)
 - > Ambassador Prof. M Makalima <u>makalimam@foreign.gov.za</u>
 - I Simmins <u>simminsi@foreign.gov.za</u>
- 5. *Check with the SA FARMERS COMMITTEE regularly*. Start off by contacting the Chairman and ensuring that your, and as many of your SA friends, details are registered with the Committee. A SA FARMERS LIST has been compiled and distributed to all. Please ensure that you are on this list and that you are receiving the latest information and situation reports on the way forward. Check this list for friend's names that do not appear on the list, contact them and urge them to register. Also keep less fortunate friends informed.
- 6. Start where possible SA FARMERS INFORMATION GROUPS. Elect a liaison officer and actively seek out SA NATIONALS and ensure they have registered with the Committee. It is critical that we record all SA NATIONALS no matter where you are living now, or if you only recently took up your citizenship. You still have the same rights to SA Government protection.
- 7. Register with ROSA (Registration of South Africans)

This is a software programme developed by the Department of International Relations and Cooperation to enable people abroad to register on line. *ROSA is only available to SA Citizens who are travelling, working, or living abroad.* <u>Registration is voluntary and free of charge and you are encouraged to register.</u>

Those who are more computer literate please help others to register or perhaps younger family members can assist their parents in this regard.

The ROSA software is an on-line registration process available on the Department of International Relations & cooperation web-site. The address is http://www.dirco.gov.za/consular/index.html

Click on the Button to Registration of South Africans Abroad (ROSA)

Access the web form and follow the easy steps.

Before registering, the system will ask the registrant if he/she is visiting the site for the first time (individual or group) or whether he/she has registered before. If the person is a first time visitor, the system will launch a registration page and the person can continue with the registration process by following the instructions and prompts. Each registrant will receive a unique system generated registration number.

Upon completing all mandatory fields (text boxes), the registrant must click on the "submit" button to proceed and to save the particulars. Upon successful completion of the registration process, the system will generate a reference number, which the registrant can use to access his/her profile for updates and changes.

Please forward your ROSA reference number to Louise O'Connor at CFU.

8. AfriForum (Afrikaans Forum)

Afiforum are a civil society who represent citizens. Their website address is:www.afriforum.co.za E-mail: afriforum@afriforum.co.za

If you wish to become a member of Afriforum the cost is R360 per year.

A limited number of pamphlets regarding ROSA and AfriForum are available from our CFU offices from Louise O'Connor.

DO NOT PUT THIS WORK OFF ANY LONGER. THIS INFORMATION WILL BE VITAL IN THE COMING MONTHS.

We invite all SA Nationals to join us in achieving fair compensation for our assets and losses. Our success depends on our unity.