

## **44th CONFERENCE**

**78th Session of the Executive Committee**Victoria Falls, 5 – 10 November 2022



**Parliament of Zimbabwe** 

# **General Information**

The Parliament of Zimbabwe is honored to host the 78th Session of the Executive Committee and the 44<sup>th</sup> Conference of African Parliamentary Union (APU) in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, and welcomes all delegations that will take part in this high - level event.

The information provided in this document is intended to guide all participants to the 78th Session of the Executive Committee and the 44<sup>th</sup> Conference of African Parliamentary Union scheduled to take place in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, from 5 to 10 November 2022.

#### 1. VENUE OF THE SESSION

The 78th Session of the Executive Committee and the 44<sup>th</sup> Conference of African Parliamentary Union will be held at the Kingdom Hotel in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe.

#### 2. REGISTRATION

The APU Member Parliaments invited to take part in the Sessions are requested to communicate on the attached registration form the composition of their delegation no later than 15 October 2022 to the following addresses:

#### PARLIAMENT OF ZIMBABWE

With copy to: African Parliamentary Union

(APU)

Emails:

marimon@parlzim.gov.zw;

ndamu2006@gmail.com;

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chisangor@parlzim.gov.zw;

rumbidzaichisango1@gmail.com;

gorogodoe@parlzim.gov.zw;

gorogodoevans@gmail.com;

Emails:

apunion.org@gmail.com;

idigado223@gmail.com;

#### 3. VISAS

The Government of Zimbabwe guarantees entry visas to all delegates attending the Meetings. Delegates may obtain entry visas through Embassies and Consulates of the Republic of Zimbabwe in respective countries. Delegates from countries where the Republic of Zimbabwe does not have Diplomatic Missions may apply for online visas on <a href="https://www.evisa.gov.zw">www.evisa.gov.zw</a>. To facilitate visas on arrival at the port of entry in Harare and Victoria Falls, delegates are requested to submit copies of their passports' bio data pages to enable Parliament of Zimbabwe to assist with this process whenever necessary. The visa regime is divided into three categories as follows:

- 1. Category 1: Countries in this category do no require entry visas into Zimbabwe;
- 2. Category 2: Countries in this category are not required to apply for a visa before travelling to Zimbabwe, but may pay for and obtain visas at the port of entry;
- 3. Category 3: Countries in this category are required to pay for and obtain visas before travel to Zimbabwe.

Delegates are encouraged to refer to the website for respective country categories.

#### 4. ACCOMMODATION

Delegations will make their reservations directly with the recommended hotels listed below. Participants are kindly requested to communicate on the attached form their hotel reservations at the selected Hotel by 5 October at the latest with a copy to the following addresses:

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Hotel bills must be paid directly to the hotel concerned.

### LIST OF RECOMMENDED HOTELS:

No	HOTELS AND CONTACTS	Rooms	Rates (USD)
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1.	KINGDOM HOTEL (Venue of the Conference) ****		
	- Linda Muvhiringi	Executive Suite (4 rooms )	250
	reservationsmgr@kingdom.africansun.co.zw	King Leisure (48 rooms)	180
	+263 713903651		
	- Lignet Nyathi	Standard Room (180)	130
	fomgr@kingdom.africansun.co.zw		
	+263 712756668		
2.	ELEPHANT HILLS HOTEL ****	Standard Room	130
	- Nancy Chigodo		
	reservations@ehr.africansun.co.zw		
	+263 8677004956		
3.	A'ZAMBEZI RIVER LODGE ****	Executive Suite	280
	- Mr. Price Maringe	Junior Suite	220
	reservations.azambezi@rtg.co.zw	Standard Room	120
	+263 1344561	Standard Room	120
4.	RAINBOW VICTORIA FALLS HOTEL ***	Executive Suite	250
	esser	Standard	100
	reservations.vfrh@rtg.co.zw		
	+ 563 83 2844583; 83 44654		
5.	CRESTA SPAYVIEW ***	Suite	130
	- Ms. Nomsa Tembo		
	reservations@sprayview.cresta.co.zw	Standard	110
	+263776081295		
6.	VICTORIA FALLS SAFARI LODGE ****	Safari Club Suite	258
	- Herbert Muzore		
	resman@saflodge.co.zw	Safari Club Room	215
	+263 832843201-11	Waterhole Facing Room	168
		Safari Suites: 2 bedroomed	480
		Lodge (Sleeps 4)	
		Safari Suites: 3 Bedroomed	660
		(Sleeps 6)	80
		Lokuthula Lodges	δU
7.	ILALA LODGES ****	Strathearn Suite	514
	- Mr. Jacob Mapetere	Executive Suite	387
	resman@ilalalodge.co.zw	Standard Room	260
	+263 774966878	Statiuaru Koom	268
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#### 5. ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

In order to facilitate reception at Harare International Airport and at Victoria Falls Airport, all participants are requested to provide details of their itineraries upon registration. Delegates are encouraged to fly direct to Victoria Falls. Flying into Harare may entail an overnight layover while awaiting connecting flights to Victoria Falls. The following Airlines fly into the Victoria Falls:-

- 1. Ethiopian Airlines (Addis Ababa/Victoria Falls/Addis Ababa)
- 2. Lufthansa operating as EW Discover GMBH Airlines (Frankfurt/Victoria Falls/Frankfurt and Windhoek/Victoria Falls/Windhoek
- 3. Fastjet (Nespruit/Victoria Falls/Nelspruit and Johannesburg/Victoria Falls/Johannesburg
- 4. South African Airlink (Cape Town/Victoria Falls/Cape Town
- 5. Kenyan Airways (Cape Town / Victoria Falls / Cape Town and Nairobi / Victoria Falls / Nairobi

Delegates may also be guided by Travel Agents as they make the necessary bookings. Victoria Falls is a Resort town. Accordingly, delegates should secure travel arrangements as early as possible.

A reception and protocol assistance service will be set up at Harare International Airport or at Victoria Falls Airport from 03 November 2022, and will provide assistance to delegates with administrative formalities and transfers from the airport to their respective hotels. This service will also ensure transfers of participants from hotels to the airport at the end of the Session.

#### 6. HEALTH

Basic health services will be available at the venue of the Meetings to cater for minor ailments and first aid. Illness which requires special attention will be referred to the nearest health facility or hospital. The Parliament of Zimbabwe will not be responsible for private treatment. Accordingly, delegates are advised to take appropriate medical insurance in case of illness.

The Meetings will be held in line with WHO COVID-19 Health guidelines including observing social distancing, wearing of masks and general hygiene. Fully vaccinated delegates will not be required to produce COVID -19 negative certificates on arrival in Zimbabwe. However, proof of vaccination will need to be presented at the port of entry.

Arrangements will be made for all delegates to be tested for COVID-19 before the Meetings begin on 05 November 2022. Delegates will again be tested for COVID- 19 on the eve of the Official Opening of the 44<sup>th</sup> Conference of the APU. The COVID-19 testing costs will be borne by the Parliament of Zimbabwe.

However, delegates requiring COVID-19 testing for their outward journey will be tested at their own cost.

Parliament of Zimbabwe will keep monitoring the entry requirements viz a viz the COVID – 19 pandemic and will update the health requirements whenever necessary.

#### 7. TRANSPORTATION OF PARTICIPANTS

The Parliament of Zimbabwe will be responsible for the transport of delegates during official programs throughout the period of the Session. However, any need for transportation outside the official program will be considered private and, therefore, will be the responsibility of the delegates.

#### 8. SAFETY

All necessary arrangements will be made by the Parliament of Zimbabwe to ensure the safety and tranquility of all participants. A participant badge will be issued to participants to allow them easy access to the venue of the Sessions.

Participants will, therefore, be requested to wear their badges in meeting halls and at all official events that will take place during the Sessions.

#### 9. PERSONAL EXPENSES OF PARTICIPANTS

Personal expenses are the responsibility of the participants, in particular the costs of accommodation and meals which are not provided in the official program, and may be paid by credit card in hotels and restaurants. Major credit cards are accepted in hotels, restaurants and shops.

#### **10. BANKING SERVICES**

Zimbabwe operates under a multi-currency dispensation where major international currencies are accepted, namely the United States Dollar, the British Pound Sterling, the Euro and the South African Rand. However, the United States Dollar and the local Zimbabwe Dollar are the official currencies accepted for all transactions.

Delegates are encouraged to travel with sufficient United States Dollars in cash for transactions.

International Debit Cards (Visa and MasterCard) are widely accepted in Zimbabwe.

#### 11. CLIMATE CONDITIONS AND TIME IN ZIMBABWE

<u>November</u>, the last month of the spring in Victoria Falls. It is typically the second warmest month of the year, with average temperatures fluctuating between 20°C and 33°C.

### 13. TOURIST ATTRACTIONS

Parliament of Zimbabwe will facilitate tourist activities details of which will be communicated in due course.



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Secret	aries, Advisers :					
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Date 8	k signature					
Please complete the form and address <b>by 15 October 2022</b> , at the latest to :						
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## **HOTEL BOOKING FORM**

(Each participant should complete the individual hotel booking form)

HOTEL:	
Family name:	First name:
Parliament :	
Address :	
	mail :
Arrival date: Hour:	Flight N° :from:
Departure date: F Number of nights :	
Room category :	
Special requests :	
Signature :  This form should be sent by 5 october 2022 at the	
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Emails:	With copy to: African Parliamentary
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