



**EXCHANGE CONTROL CIRCULAR NO. 5 OF 2020
TO AUTHORISED DEALERS AND *BUREAUX DE CHANGE***

**ISSUED IN TERMS OF SECTION 35 (1) OF THE EXCHANGE CONTROL
REGULATIONS STATUTORY INSTRUMENT 109 OF 1996**

1. Reference is made to various economic measures implemented by the Bank to sustain company operations and ensure quick resuscitation of economic activity during and post the Covid-19 pandemic.
2. Accordingly, and consistent with Exchange Control Circular No. 3 of 2020, Authorised Dealers and *Bureaux de Change* are advised that the attached Priority List for Foreign Currency Payments shall apply with immediate effect to ensure that foreign currency resources are substantially channeled to the productive sectors of the economy in light of the Covid-19 pandemic.
3. Compliance with this requirement is critical to ensure that the economy responds positively to the enhancing of production in the country.
4. Please be guided accordingly.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "F. Masendu".

F. Masendu

Director

EXCHANGE CONTROL

28 April 2020

Priority List for Foreign Currency Payments

CATEGORY	FOREIGN CURRENCY PAYMENTS
<p><u>Category One</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">70%</p> <p>Productive and essential goods and services</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Imports of raw materials, machinery and spare parts for local production (value addition) that directly substitute import of essential finished goods, ii. Imports of critical and strategic goods such as basic food stuffs and fuel, health and agro-chemicals granted these goods are not available locally, iii. Importation of packaging material, iv. Mining consumables, v. Goods and services not locally available for Tourism Operators, vi. Medical consumables and fees, vii. Loan repayments, viii. Payments for services not available in Zimbabwe, ix. Commercial Vehicles and agricultural equipment, x. Remittance of pension income for non-resident Zimbabweans who formally emigrated from Zimbabwe, xi. Remittance of rental income from properties financed from offshore, xii. University and college fees.
<p><u>Category Two</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">30%</p> <p>Other foreign payments</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Disinvestment proceeds and dividend remittances, ii. Capital remittances for cross border investments, iii. Capital remittances from disposal of local property, iv. Funding of offshore credit cards, v. Payments for services not available in Zimbabwe, vi. Importation of other consumer goods and/ or goods not readily available in Zimbabwe including non-commercial vehicles.