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Excellency,

PROPOSAL FOR THE INCLUSION OF NEW AGENDA ITEMS ON THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF THE 22ND SESSION OF THE UNWTO GENERAL ASSEMBLY; CHENGDU, PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF CHINA: 11-16 SEPTEMBER 2017.

With reference to Rule 5 of the Rules of the UNWTO General Assembly, the Agenda of a General Assembly includes "*any items proposed by a Member of the Organisation.*" Subsequently, the rule states that, "*a member who wishes to include an item on the Agenda is required to transmit the proposal to the Secretary General at least thirty days before the opening of the session.*"

In terms of the forthcoming 22nd Session of the UNWTO General Assembly to be held in Chengdu, Peoples Republic of China, from 11-16 September 2017, it is imperative that the proposed Agenda Items be submitted to the Secretary General before 11 August 2017.

It is, therefore, in this context that Zimbabwe would like to propose two new Agenda items under Agenda 9 as follows;

Agenda 9: Election of the Secretary General of the Organisation.

- a) Discussion of the UNWTO Executive Council Elections of Secretary General (2018-2021), held in Madrid, Spain, 12 May 2017.

- b) Discussion of the UNWTO Rules of Procedure on the conduct of elections.
- c) Appointment of the Secretary General for the period 2018-2021 on the recommendation of the Executive Council (Original Agenda Item 9 becomes 9c).

In thanking you for your consideration of the foregoing request, I would also ask that you accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Hon Dr Walter Mzembi (M.P.)

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