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Dear Sir,

**ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF EXPERIMENTAL PLOTS FOR
ORANGE FRESH SWEET POTATO, MAIZE AND HIGH IRON BEANS AT CHITEDZE AND
BVUMBWE RESEARCH STATIONS**

Reference is made to the project brief on the above captioned subject which was submitted to the Authority for review and guidance.

Considering the nature and scope of activities for the proposed project, I wish to advise that you can proceed with the establishing and operations of experimental plots for orange fresh sweet potatoes, Maize and high iron beans on the condition that you shall;

- Ensure that the existing local crop varieties are preserved at the gene bank;
- Ensure that the project uses chemicals approved by the Pesticides Control Board;
- Put in place measures to enhance/mitigate all Environmental and Social impacts associated with the experimental plots as indicated in the project brief;
- Ensure that you employ trained people to monitor operations of the experimental plots;

- Provide workers with appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and enforce its use;
- Put in place appropriate measures for managing both solid and liquid waste;
- Comply with all other legislation applicable including Environment Management Act, Pesticides Act, Water Resources Act, Occupational safety Health and Welfare Act, Environment Management (Chemicals & Toxic Substances Regulations and all other relevant legislation; and
- Report to the MEPA on any changes made to the project including sites.

Should you require any further information or clarification on the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact the Authority.

Yours faithfully,

MALAWI ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AUTHORITY



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For: ACTING DIRECTOR GENERAL