

19th MEETING OF THE
UNAIDS PROGRAMME COORDINATING BOARD
LUSAKA, ZAMBIA - 5-8 DECEMBER 2006

INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

Venue

The nineteenth meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board (PCB) will be held in the new wing of the Mulungushi International Conference Centre Lusaka, Zambia:

Mulungushi International Conference Centre
Great East Road
Olympia Park
ZM-Lusaka
Zambia

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Fax: +(260-1) 291991
E-mail: micc@zamtel.zm www.micc.co.zm

Accommodation: When making a reservation at any of the hotels listed below please request the special rate for the UNAIDS PCB meeting. UNAIDS will separately provide the hotels with a list of delegates to ensure that VAT is removed from the room rate (all room rates are shown with VAT already removed).

1. **Taj Pamodzi Hotel**

Contact: Taj Pamodzi Hotel
Church Road
PO Box 35450
Lusaka
Reservations contact name: Mr. Kedson Maselechi
Telephone: +(260-1) 25 4455
Fax: +(260-1) 25 0749
Email: tphsales.lusaka@tajhotels.com
pamodzi.lusaka@tajhotels.com

Rates: Standard room: US\$ 116
Executive room: US\$ 140
Business Executive room: US\$ 165

All room rates include breakfast. Additional information about the hotel can be found on the following website: www.tajhotels.com

2. Holiday Inn Hotel

Contact: Holiday Inn
Cnr. Church Road and Independence Avenue
PO Box 30666
Lusaka
Reservations contact name: Ms. Candy M Shinondo-
Kasonkomona
Telephone: +(260-1) 25 1666 / 1944
Fax: +(260-1) 25 3529
Email: candyk@holidayinn.co.zm
sales@holidayinn.co.zm
reservations@holidayinn.co.zm

Rates: Standard room: US\$ 110
Superior room: US\$ 110

Additional information about the hotel can be found on the following website:
www.holiday-inn.zambia.com

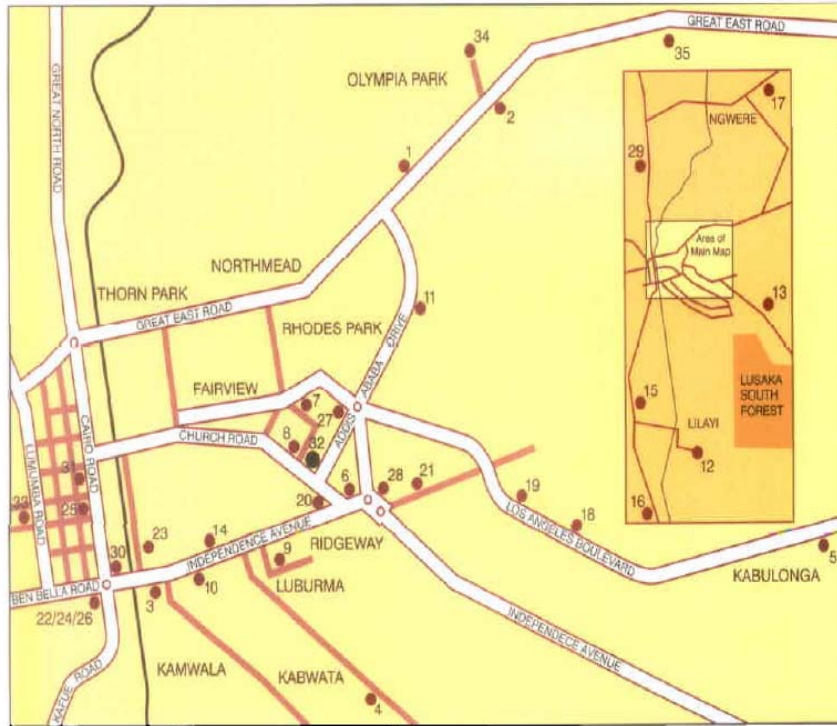
3. Protea Hotel

Contact: Protea Hotel Cairo Road
Mutaba House
Cnr. Katondo and Cairo Roads
Lusaka
Reservations contact name: Ms Rita Holland
Telephone: +(260-1) 23 8360
Fax: +(260-1) 23 8317
Email: phcairord@proteahotels.co.zm

Rates: Single room: US\$ 88
Twin/Double room: US\$ 102
Suite: US\$ 135

Additional information about the hotel can be found on the following website:
www.proteahotels.com

MAP OF LUSAKA



PCB Locations

- 20 Holiday Inn Hotel
- 32 Taj Pamodzi Hotel
- 34 Mulungushi Conference Centre
- 25 Protea Hotel

Locations for Shopping

- 1 Manda Hill Shopping Centre
- 2 Arcades
- 3 Kamwala Shopping Centre
- 4 Kabwata Cultural Village
- 5 Kabulonga Shopping Centre

Places of Worship

- 6 Cathedral of the Holy Cross
- 7 St Ignatius
- 8 Trinity Church of Zambia
- 9 Radha Krishna Temple
- 10 Mosque
- 11 Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses

Places of Interest

- 12 Lilayi Lodge
- 13 Adventure City

- 14 Lusaka Museum
- 15 Eureka Camp
- 16 Munda Wanga Botanical Zoo
- 17 Kalimba Reptile farm
- 18 Lusaka Golf Club
- 19 Lusaka Club

Airline Offices

- 20 British Airways
- 21 South African airways
- 22 KLM
- 23 Ethiopian Airlines
- 24 Kenya Airways
- 25 Air Zimbabwe
- 26 Air Malawi

Important land marks

- 27 OAU Statue
- 28 Lusaka High Court
- 29 Independence Stadium
- 30 Findeco House
- 31 Society House
- 33 City Market
- 35 University of Zambia

Travel to Lusaka

A number of international carriers currently fly into Lusaka: Kenya Airways via Nairobi, South African Airways via Johannesburg, and British Airways via London, as well as Air Malawi, Air Zimbabwe, Ethiopian Airlines and Zambia Airways. Delegates are advised to make travel arrangements as soon as possible as flights schedules are limited.

Entry into Zambia

All registered participants will be met at Lusaka airport. A valid passport is required for entry into Zambia and the securing of visas is the sole responsibility of the traveler. Participants should contact the Zambian Embassy or Consular authorities in their home countries regarding entry visa requirements currently in force. For participants from countries where Zambia has no embassy or diplomatic mission, arrangements will be made for them to obtain visas on arrival at the Zambian International Airport. It should be noted that participants intending to obtain their entry visa at the airport must provide two passport size photographs and US\$ 50. A dedicated immigration channel will be available at the airport for delegates.

Departure Tax

A departure tax of US\$ 20 for international flights, and US\$ 5 for domestic flights, is payable in cash at the airport on departure.

Time

The meeting will open at 9 a.m. on 6 December and is anticipated to close at approximately 12.30 p.m. on 8 December.

Registration of participants/Information Desk

A UNAIDS welcome desk will be set up in the Taj Pamodzi hotel from 09.00-17.00 on 4 and 5 December, where access badges and meeting documentation and information will be distributed to delegates. The welcome desk will then re-open at the Mulungushi Conference Centre from 08h00 on 6 December and will remain open for the duration of the meeting.

Transport to Mulungushi

Shuttle buses will run from the Taj Pamodzi, Holiday Inn and Protea Hotels to the Mulungushi Conference Centre every 15 minutes starting at 7am, with the last bus leaving Mulungushi at 7pm. Additional shuttles will be organised to transport members of the drafting group back to the two hotels at the conclusion of their two evening sessions.

Reception for participants

A reception is foreseen to take place on 6 December from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Taj Pamodzi Hotel. All participants will receive an invitation during registration.

Documents

All meeting documents will be available at the entrance to the Conference Centre. Documents will also be put on the UNAIDS website as soon as they are available: <http://www.unaids.org/en/AboutUNAIDS/Governance/ProgrammeCoordinatingBoard.asp>

Catering

Lunch will be provided for delegates on all three meeting days (6-8 December) at the Mulungushi Conference Centre. All hotels have restaurants as do the Manda Hill and Arcades shopping centers, which are both situated close to the conference centre.

Field Visits

Field visits are being scheduled for December 5th. Delegates should indicate on the registration form whether or not they wish to participate in such visits and a list will be sent out in due course, including logistical arrangements which will be arranged by the PCB Secretariat.

Health regulations

No vaccinations are required. A yellow fever certificate is compulsory for participants arriving from infected areas.

Sickness or accident

Participants are advised to ensure that they have adequate insurance coverage, either at their own expense or at the expense of their nominating organization. UNAIDS cannot accept responsibility or liability for such contingencies.

Customs regulations

Visitors may import personal effects. The import of alcohol and tobacco is permitted for personal consumption.

Currency regulations

The unit of currency in Zambia is the Kwacha (ZMK). There are banknotes of ZMK 50, 100, 1,000, 5,000, 10,000, 20,000 and 50,000.

Foreign currencies, traveler's cheques and international credit cards are accepted without restrictions.

The rate of exchange in August 2006 was:

1 Euro = 4,878 ZMK
1 US Dollar (USD) = 3,800 ZMK

Geography

Zambia is a vast plateau bordered by Angola to the west, the Democratic Republic of Congo to the north, Tanzania to the northeast, Malawi to the east, Mozambique to the southeast, Zimbabwe and Botswana to the south and the Caprivi Strip of Namibia to the southwest. The Zambezi River, together with Lake Kariba, forms the frontier with Zimbabwe. Victoria Falls, at the southern end of the manmade Lake Kariba, is one of the most spectacular sights in Africa. In the east and northeast the country rises to a plateau 1200m (3937ft) high, covered by deciduous savannah, small trees, grassy plains or marshland. The magnificent Luangwa and Kafue National parks have some of the most prolific animal populations in Africa.

Government

The present constitution dates from 1973. Legislative power is held by the unicameral National Assembly with 135 members, 125 of whom are selected every five years by universal adult suffrage (the remaining 10 are Presidential appointees). The next elections are scheduled for September 2006. Executive power is held by the President who appoints a Cabinet, headed by a Prime Minister, to conduct the administration of the Government.

Language

English is the official language, but there are over 73 local dialects. The main languages are Bemba, Kaonde, Lozi, Lunda, Luvale, Nyanja and Tonga

Climate

In December the temperature can reach 27 °C during the day and can drop to 17 °C at night. Humidity levels are normally in the range of 61-76%.

Local time

Local time in Zambia is Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) +2 hours.

Electric current

The voltage of electrical current in Zambia is 220/240 volts – AC 50 HZ.

For further information: please consult www.zambiatourism.com or www.zamnet.zm/zamnet/zntb/zntb.html