

Statutory Instrument 153 of 2017.

[CAP. 2:05

Presidential Pension and Retirement Benefits (Services and  
Facilities for Former Presidents) Notice, 2017

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THE President, in terms of section 3(1) of the Presidential Pension and Retirement Benefits Act [*Chapter 2:05*], hereby makes the following notice:—

1. This notice may be cited as the Presidential Pension and Retirement Benefits (Services and Facilities for Former Presidents) Notice, 2017.

2. A former President of Zimbabwe, who has at any time since the 31st December 1987, been President of Zimbabwe for at least one full term of office, shall be entitled to the use and enjoyment of the following services, facilities and allowances—

*Staff*

(a) the services of—

- (i) such security personnel as may be determined by the President, but not less than six, and to be increased by such number as may be determined by the President whenever, and for such period, as the need arises; and
  - (ii) two drivers; and
  - (iii) two Private Secretaries II; and
  - (iv) two *aide-de-camp* officers or personal assistants; and
  - (v) two office attendants;
- and

*Office and equipment*

(b) the provision of—

- (i) fully furnished office accommodation; and
  - (ii) a landline telephone and a cellphone; and
  - (iii) two computers; and
  - (iv) such other office equipment and materials as may be determined by the President;
- and

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*Housing and household*

- (c) the provision of residential accommodation, namely—
  - (i) a fully furnished official residence at any place in Harare; and
  - (ii) in lieu of subparagraph (i) and at the request of the former President made within two months of ceasing to hold office—
    - A. such housing allowance as may be determined by the President; or
    - B. a single private residence acquired or constructed on his or her behalf at any place of his or her choice in Zimbabwe; or
    - C. in lieu of subparagraphs A and B, payment of a lump sum which is equal or equivalent to the value of the private residence referred to in subparagraph B;
- (d) in the case of the official residence referred to in paragraph (c)(i), if the former President dies, his or her surviving spouse, or if there is no surviving spouse, his or her dependent child, must continue to be provided with suitable State residential accommodation until—
  - (i) in the case of a surviving spouse, the date on which he or she dies or remarries, whichever event occurs first; and
  - (ii) in the case of a dependent child, the date on which he or she dies or the date on which he or she attains the age of 21 years, whichever event occurs first;and
- (e) the private residence referred to in paragraph (c)(ii) B may be constructed on land which in total may not exceed an area of 5 000 square metres, and the residence itself may not exceed a reasonably sized house with five bedrooms, a guest wing with three bedrooms, a study, a swimming pool, two guardrooms and two garages;
- (f) there shall be employed in connection with the residence of the former President—

- (i) three domestic employees; and
- (ii) two gardeners; and
- (iii) two cooks and two waiters; and
- (iv) two laundry persons;

*Medical*

- (g) an allowance covering medical aid contributions for the former President, his or her spouse, and any dependent children;

*Travel*

- (h) the provision of—
  - (i) a Diplomatic Passport for both the former President and his or her spouse; and
  - (ii) first class air and rail private travel within Zimbabwe, if available, for the former President and, if accompanied, his or her spouse, up to a maximum of four trips per annum; and
  - (iii) first class international air private travel up to a maximum of four trips per annum, including the spouse, if he or she accompanies the former President;

*Transport*

- (i) the provision of the following vehicles, namely—
  - (i) one sedan (Mercedes Benz S500 Series or an equivalent or similar class of motor vehicle); and
  - (ii) one four-wheel drive station wagon or an equivalent or similar type of motor vehicle); and
  - (iii) one pickup van; and
  - (iv) such adequate number of vehicles as may be determined by the President must be put at the disposal of the security personnel and other staff serving the former President.

(The cost of fuel for, and the maintenance of the vehicles referred to in subparagraphs (i) to (iv) must

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be borne by the Government. The vehicles referred to in subparagraphs (i) to (iii) must be permanently at the disposal of the former President. All vehicles at the disposal of the former President referred to in subparagraphs (i) to (iii) must be replaced every five years);

*Other Benefits*

- (j) an entertainment allowance as determined by the President; and
- (k) payment of telephone expenses in respect of the office and official residence of the former President; and
- (l) payment of water and electricity charges in respect of the office and official residence of the former President.