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**THE UGANDA TRYPANOSOMIASIS CONTROL COUNCIL
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An Act to repeal the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council Act, Cap. 220; to dissolve the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council and transfer the functions of the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council to the Ministry responsible for agriculture in order to give effect to the Government Policy on Rationalisation of Government Agencies and Public Expenditure and for related purposes.

DATE OF ASSENT: 15th July, 2024.

Date of Commencement: See section 1.

BE IT ENACTED by Parliament as follows:

1. Commencement

This Act shall come into force on a date appointed by the Minister responsible for agriculture by statutory instrument.

2. Interpretation

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

“agency” means a body established by an Act of Parliament and includes an authority;

“Government” means the Government of Uganda;

“Ministry” means the Ministry responsible for agriculture;

“programme” means the master plan adopted by the working party of representatives of the Government of Uganda and of the donor community held in Kampala between 15th and 19th August, 1988, as amended from time to time, with the approval of the Government of Uganda.

3. Objectives

(1) The main objective of this Act is to give effect to the Government Policy for Rationalisation of Government Agencies and Public Expenditure adopted by the Cabinet on 22nd February, 2021 and contained in Cabinet Minute No. 43(CT 2021).

(2) Without prejudice to the general effect of subsection (1), the specific objective of this Act is—

- (a) to mainstream the functions and mandate of the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council into the Ministry;
- (b) to eliminate the bloated structure and functional ambiguities in the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council; and
- (c) to achieve effective and efficient service delivery.

4. Purpose of repeal of Cap. 220

The purpose of the repeal of Cap. 220 is—

- (a) to dissolve the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council; and

- (b) to transfer the functions of the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council to the Ministry.

5. Repeal of Cap. 220

The Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council Act, is repealed.

6. Dissolution of Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council

On the commencement of this Act, the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council established by Cap. 220 is dissolved.

7. Transfer of functions of dissolved Council and secretariat

(1) The functions of the dissolved Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council set out in the repealed Cap. 220 are transferred to the Ministry.

(2) For the avoidance of doubt, the functions of the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council transferred to the Ministry are—

- (a) to monitor all aspects of the programme and to intervene if work plans are not carried out according to plan or if any project input is not utilised for the purpose for which it is intended;
- (b) to direct any department, authority or agency or person responsible for giving effect to any part of the programme to carry out any particular activities in the interest of the programme;
- (c) to intervene and give appropriate directions if any terms of reference concerning any particular project are not being duly implemented;
- (d) to liaise with donors, executing agencies, Ministries and departments regarding any requisition or input required for the programme;

- (e) to arrange and carry out periodic reviews and evaluation of research activities and supervise relevant research institutions;
- (f) to solicit and receive, for the purpose of the programme, grants, aid, gifts, donations, fees, subscriptions and other sums required for the implementation of the programme;
- (g) to invite any person or organisation to assist in the execution of any aspect of the programme; and
- (h) to do all other things incidental or conducive to the efficient carrying out of the provisions of the repealed Act.

(3) The functions of the secretariat that are transferred to the Ministry are—

- (a) to supervise the initiation, formulation, negotiation and implementation of all projects for tsetse and trypanosomiasis control in Uganda;
- (b) to prescribe standard specifications, certification marks and codes of practice and do all things incidental to or connected with them as may be required for the purposes of the repealed Act;
- (c) to collate and disseminate to all relevant parties, reports and other information relating to projects for carrying out the programme;
- (d) to coordinate the development of human resources necessary for all aspects of the programme;
- (e) to initiate and organise seminars, conferences and workshops and other similar activities aimed at promoting the effective implementation of the programme;

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- (f) to establish and maintain relationships with national, regional and international organisations and agencies as may be appropriate for facilitating the implementation of the programme; and
- (g) to carry out, or cause to be carried out, any study or examination or test in respect of commodities of different specifications, whether produced in Uganda or elsewhere.

(4) In carrying out its objects and functions, the Ministry shall, so far as is practicable, consult and cooperate with any body, organisation or association in or outside Uganda having similar functions to those prescribed by this section relating to industrial or commercial standards generally with a view to furthering the objects and functions of the Ministry.

8. Objects of the Ministry

(1) On the commencement of this Act, the objects of the dissolved Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council specified in section 3 of the repealed Cap. 220 shall become objects of the Ministry.

- (2) For the avoidance of doubt, the objects are—
 - (a) to ensure the effective and efficient implementation of all aspects of the programme;
 - (b) to formulate policies and determine priorities for tsetse fly and trypanosomiasis research and control in Uganda in relation to the economic and social policies of the Government;
 - (c) to advise the Government and make to the Government such recommendations as it may consider necessary concerning the financial, human and other resource requirements for the implementation of the programme;

- (d) to consider and approve, in consultation with the Uganda National Council for Science and Technology established by the Uganda National Council for Science and Technology Act, any research projects arising out of the programme and to assign them to any institution within or outside the Uganda National Council for Science and Technology;
- (e) to ensure the proper application of the results and the implementation of the recommendations of any research activities in the programme;
- (f) to advise the Minister responsible on the management and coordination of the programme at all levels, including the setting up of new research institutions; and
- (g) to establish units and technical services in relation to the programme.

9. Savings

(1) The board members and staff of the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council shall be paid their terminal benefits in accordance with the terms and conditions of their service.

(2) Compensation is not payable to any member of the board of the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council for loss of office resulting from the dissolution of the Council.

(3) The staff of the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council may be redeployed to serve in the public service in accordance to the Uganda Public Service Standing Orders.

(4) On the commencement of this Act, all the property, assets, rights, obligations, and liabilities of the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council shall vest in the Government of Uganda under the Ministry.

(5) Any proceedings commenced by or against the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council may be continued by or against the Attorney General.

(6) A licence, permit, certificate or authorisation issued by the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council under the repealed Cap. 220, and which is in force immediately before the commencement of this Act shall have effect from the commencement of this Act as if granted by the Minister.

(7) The terms and conditions, including the rights and obligations under a licence, permit, certificate or authorisation in force immediately before the commencement of this Act, shall not be less favourable than those that applied immediately before the commencement of this Act.

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Uganda National Council for Science and Technology Act. Cap. 211

