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ACT

No. 2 of 2017

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PROF. ARTHUR PETER MUTHARIKA

PRESIDENT

5th January, 2017

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

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An Act to authorize Government to borrow from the Export and Import Bank of China sums of money in various convertible currencies not exceeding in the aggregate the equivalent of one hundred and sixty million Renminbi (¥ 160,000,000)

ENACTED by the Parliament of Malawi as follows—

1. This Act may be cited as the Export and Import Bank of China (National Fibre Backbone Project) Loan (Authorization) Act, 2017. Short title

2.—(1) The Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development, on behalf of the Government, is hereby authorized to borrow from the Export and Import Bank of China sums of money in various convertible currencies not exceeding ¥160,000,000 the sum of one hundred and sixty million Renminbi for the purpose specified in section 3 at the times and upon the terms and conditions which the Minister may, in his discretion, agree with the Export and Import Bank of China. Authority to borrow the sum of ¥160,000,000

(2) The terms and conditions which the Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development, shall agree with the Export and Import Bank of China shall be reduced to writing. Such written agreement is hereinafter referred to as the Agreement.

Application of
the Loan

3. The proceeds of the loan authorized by section 2 shall be appropriated and applied for the purpose of supporting the implementation of the National Fibre Backbone Project, and for no other purpose.

Repayment
charged on the
Consolidated
Fund

4. The sums required, from time to time, for the repayment of the loan and any other payments to be made by the Government to the Export and Import Bank of China under and in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement are hereby charged on the Consolidated Fund.

Exemption
from taxes,
charges, etc.

5. All sums to be paid in accordance with section 4 shall, notwithstanding the provisions of any other written law, be paid without deduction for, and free from, any tax or charge whatsoever and shall be free from all restrictions or limitations imposed by or under any written law of Malawi.

Finalization
and signature
of the
Agreement

6. The Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development, or such other person as he may appoint, is and hereby authorized—

(a) to settle the terms of the Agreement, but not so as to affect the general purpose thereof nor to increase the amount of the loan;

(b) to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Government; and

(c) to do such other things as may be necessary to implement the terms of this Agreement.

Passed in Parliament this sixth day of December, two thousand and sixteen.

FIONA KALEMBA
Clerk of Parliament