

REPORT

OF

**THE PRESIDENTIAL LAND REVIEW
COMMITTEE**

UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP

OF

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VOLUME II: SPECIAL STUDIES

**TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF ZIMBABWE**

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COMPOSITION AND STRUCTURE OF THE COMMITTEE AND ITS TERMS OF REFERENCE

1. The Presidential Land Review Committee was officially inaugurated by His Excellency, President R.G. Mugabe, on 14 May 2003. It comprised the following Members:

Dr. Charles M B Utete Chairman

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Technical Unit

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Dr.	Emmanuel Manzungu	
Dr.	Johannes Makhadho	
Dr.	Renneth Mano	
Dr.	Chrispen Sukume	
Dr.	Lovemore Rugube	
Mr.	Langton Mukwereza	
Mr.	Walter Chambati	

2. Structure Of The Committee

In its work the Committee actively liaised with the Minister of Special Affairs in the Office of the President and Cabinet, the Honourable John Landa Nkomo, and the Minister of State for Land Reform in the Office of the President and Cabinet, the Honourable Flora Buka.

The Committee was supported by an Administrative Secretariat and a Technical Unit (TU). The Secretariat provided administrative, logistical, secretarial and related services and support to the Committee and its entities, both at the Provincial and District levels. The TU comprised resource persons who provided support and technical advice to the Committee by way of specialist studies that constitute Volume II of the Report. In addition the Committee worked with the sub-committee of the Task Force on Land Reform. A Provincial Co-ordinator and a deputy were appointed to superintend the activities of District Data Collection Teams in all the country's eight administrative provinces. Each of the country's fifty-seven (57) administrative districts had a three member District Data Collection Team.

3. The Terms of Reference given to the Committee were:

- **To assess progress achieved in the implementation of the Land Reform Programme as a whole; the extent to which policy objectives of the Programme and principles underlying it, as contained in the guiding documents, were achieved and implemented; and recommend measures necessary to address any of its administrative and material shortcomings.**

- To outline any on-going challenges and constraints in the implementation of the Programme in order to successfully address the more fundamental agrarian reform agenda; and
- To recommend policy interventions and other measures necessary for the undertaking of targeted crop and livestock production.

In carrying out its work, the Review Committee will need to pay particular attention to the following pertinent issues and make appropriate recommendations to Government:

- The verification of the implementation of both the A1 and A2 resettlement programmes;
- The provision of agricultural inputs and support services for the optimal utilisation of land;
- The situation regarding the existing infrastructure in the resettled farms and any additional support required in this regard;
- The productive capacity of the resettled farmers and support required therefrom;
- Measures necessary to ensure targeted production for each province and suggest appropriate hectareage for each type of crop, including livestock production;
- The impact of the Programme on former commercial farmers and farm workers;
- The role of agro-business (including indigenous companies) in the agrarian reform programme;
- The merits of the demarcation undertaken on on-going agricultural concerns vis-à-vis productivity and viability considerations;
- Skills required to enhance agricultural productivity and food security;
- The situation of farms not yet settled or demarcated and, how these could be incorporated into future land resettlement programmes; and
- The nature of governance in the resettled areas.

4. The Terms Of Reference Given To The Technical Unit Were:

- **To assist in designing review methodology with particular reference to defining the data required and methods of its collection, including the design of questionnaires; and**
- **Undertake specific short-term studies on key issues of concern for the Review process.**

The list of papers (Special Studies) undertaken by the Technical Unit are reflected in the table of contents.

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