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PREFACE

The Blue Book for Zambia comprises ten measures that can be implemented over a period of twelve months and that are intended to move the country towards best practice in investment promotion and facilitation. To date, Blue Books have been implemented by the governments of Cambodia, Ghana, Kenya, Laos, the United Republic of Tanzania and Uganda.

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ABBREVIATIONS

ASYCUDA Automated System for Customs Data

BIT Bilateral investment treaty

COMESA Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa

DTT Double taxation treaty

FDI Foreign direct investment

GDP Gross domestic product

GGIP Good Governance in Investment Programme

ICT Information and communications technology

IPA Investment promotion agency

ISP Internet service provider

IT Information technology

JBIC Japan Bank for International Cooperation

LDC Least developed country

MCTI Ministry of Commerce, Trade and Industry

MIGA Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency

MFEZ Multi-facility economic zone

MFN Most favoured nation

PSDP Private Sector Development Programme
SADC Southern Africa Development Community

SI Statutory Instrument

TNC Transnational corporation

TOH Triangle of Hope

TRIPS Trade-related aspects of intellectual property rights

UNCTAD United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

USAID United States Agency for International Development

ZAMTEL Zambia Telecommunications Company Ltd.

ZDA Zambia Development Agency

ZIC Zambia Investment Centre

ZITC Zambia International Trade Commission

ZRA Zambia Revenue Authority

\$ United States Dollar



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