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The National Prosecution Authority (NPA) is aware of the arrest of two of its prosecutors namely; Juliet Banda and Mwandu Muiyumbana both based at Kalomo, by the Anti-Corruption Commission for engaging in Corrupt Practices. The NPA wishes to inform the public that it actively co-operated in the investigation and subsequent arrest of the duo. As the accused prosecutors are public officers, their prosecution has been authorised by the learned Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) as required by the law.

The NPA wishes to state that the justice system can only function effectively if all actors including prosecutors conduct themselves with the highest ethics and integrity. There can be no justice if key actors such as prosecutors use their position to enrich themselves at the expense of Zambians.

It is because of the foregoing, that the office of the DPP has sanctioned the prosecution of the two accused erring officers, this stands as a message to all prosecutors that only the highest ethical behavior will be accepted in the institution, anyone falling short shall face the law.

The NPA wishes to inform the public that the two officers have been suspended with immediate effect. In addition to the criminal sanctions, they will face internal disciplinary measures. The affected officers will be accorded the due process of the law as they are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

The NPA reaffirms its commitment to the highest forms of integrity and ethics as guided by its policy in the newly promulgated Code of Conduct for all prosecutors and shall ensure the robust enforcement of the same.

The public is reassured that the NPA will continue to play its role as mandated by the Constitution of Zambia. In fighting corruption, the public has a corresponding duty to report all unethical conduct by prosecutors by utilising the many avenues for whistleblowing. The following platforms can be used to report: Toll free number 3737 or Electronic mail - info@npa.gov.zm.

Together we can create a corruption free Zambia.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Chali Mbewe'.

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