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Stamp Duty (Amendment) Act

2018

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ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

Section

- 1. Commencement.
- 2. Amendment of Schedule 2 of the Stamp Duty Act, 2014.

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An Act to amend the Stamp Duty Act, 2014, Act 13 of 2014 to exempt instruments executed in respect of land acquisition for purposes of strategic investment projects from stamp duty; to exempt instruments for financing of strategic investment projects from stamp duty, and to vary the stamp duty chargeable on certain instruments.

DATE OF ASSENT: 20th June, 2018.

Date of Commencement: 1st July, 2018.

BE IT ENACTED by Parliament as follows:

1. Commencement

This Act shall come into force on 1st July, 2018.

- 2. Amendment of Schedule 2 of the Stamp Duty Act, 2014. Schedule 2 of the Stamp Duty Act, 2014 in this Act referred to as the principal Act is amended—
 - (a) by substituting for the stamp duty of Shs 10,000 wherever it appears, Shs 15,000;
 - (b) by inserting immediately after item 60 the following item—

60 A STRATEGIC INVESTMENT PROJECTS

The stamp duty chargeable in respect of an instrument executed by, or on behalf of a company or Government for the sole purpose of implementing the following strategic investment projects—

- (a) developers of an industrial park or free zone whose investment capital is at least one hundred million United States Dollars—
 - (i) debenture; whether a mortgage debenture or not, being of a marketable security- of the total value;

Nil

(ii) further charge; any instrument imposing a further charge on a mortgaged property- of the total value:

Nil

(iii) lease of land- of the total value

Nil

(iv) increase of share capital;

Nil

(v) transfer of land;

Nil

 (vi) an agreement to provide services on conducting a feasibility study or developing a design for construction;

Nil

- (b) an operator within an industrial park or free zone or an operator of a single factory or other business outside the industrial park who meets the following requirements—
 - (i) a minimum investment capital of fifteen million United States Dollars in case of a foreigner, or ten million United States Dollars in case of a citizen of a Partner State of the East African Community;
 - (ii) carries on business in agro processing, food processing, medical appliances, building materials, light industry, automobile manufacturing and assembly, household appliances, furniture, logistics and warehousing, information technology or commercial farming;

	(iii)	seventy percent of the raw materials used are sourced locally, subject to their availability;	
	(iv)	directly employs a minimum of one hundred citizens; and	
	(v)	provides for substitution of thirty percent of the value of imported products—	
		(aa) debenture; whether a mortgage debenture or not, being of a marketable security – of the total value;	Nil
		(bb) further charge; any instrument imposing a further charge on a mortgaged property- of the total value;	Nil
		(cc) lease of land- of the total value;	Nil
		(dd) increase of share capital;	Nil
		(ee) transfer of land;	Nil
(c)	eight	or tourism facility whose investment capital is million United States Dollars with a room city exceeding one hundred guests—	
	(i)	debenture; whether a mortgage debenture or not, being of a marketable security – of the total value;	Nil
	(ii)	further charge; any instrument imposing a further charge on a mortgaged property- of the total value;	Nil
	(iii)	lease of land- of the total value	Nil
	(iv)	increase of share capital;	Nil
	(v)	transfer of land;	Nil

	(vi)	an agreement to provide services on conducting a feasibility study or developing a design for construction;	Nil
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	(iv)	increase of share capital;	Nil
	(v)	transfer of land;	Nil
	(vi)	an agreement to provide services on conducting a feasibility study or developing a design for construction.	Nil