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### ZAFFICO PLC.

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Approval for this Announcement has been granted by:

- The Lusaka Securities Exchange
- The Securities and Exchange Commission Zambia
- Zambia Forestry and Forest Industries Corporation PLC.

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# TRADING STATEMENT

In accordance with the Lusaka Securities Exchange Listings Requirements, the Board of Directors of Zambia Forestry and Forest Industries Corporation Plc (the "Company") hereby advises the Shareholders of the Company that the Earnings Per Share ("EPS") for the Year Ended 31 December 2024 are expected to be 35% lower than the Year Ended 31 December 2023.

The movement in EPS for the Company is primarily attributed to increased production costs driven by the depreciation of the Kwacha against major currencies, negative macroeconomic headwinds that strained cashflows and limited capacity to undertake capital projects and stabilization in the valuation of biological assets which had previously contributed significant gains.

Despite this reduction, the Company remains committed to generating sustainable returns for shareholders by leveraging emerging growth opportunities across key sectors.

The Board will ensure that the results for the year ended 31 December 2024 are released on the Securities Exchange News Services on or before 8 March, 2025.

Accordingly, shareholders are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the Company's Securities until publication of the results.

By order of the Board

Mulawo Mwaba Board Secretary

Lusaka, Zambia – 7 March 2025



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