

ENVIRONMENT AND LAND USE APPEAL TRIBUNAL

COMMUNIQUE No.3 of 2021

Notice is hereby given to the public and to Barristers, Attorneys and Parties that in view of the current sanitary restrictions imposed by Government to contain the spread of Covid-19, the following measures have been taken by the Environment and Land Use Appeal Tribunal:-

- 1) Formal matters continue to be taken electronically.
- 2) Motions can be made by legal advisors by E-mail.
- 3) Whenever cases are scheduled for Parties to take a stand and / or to report progress, this may be communicated to the tribunal by E-mail.
- 4) The Tribunal will continue to accept new appeals lodged by E-mail provided that it is received within the prescribed delay.
- 5) Requests for information and / or other communications should as far as possible be made by E-mail.
- 6) Measures taken by Communique No 3 of 2020 (annexed) shall continue to apply.

Secretary 19.11.2021



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COMMUNIQUE No. 3 of 2020

In view of the covid-19 pandemic, the public is hereby requested to **take notice** of the following:-

- 1. Barristers, Attorneys and Parties are informed of the new procedures before the Tribunal:-
 - (a) New appeals may be lodged by email at eat@govmu.org subject to it being received within the prescribed statutory delay. Once duly received, an electronic acknowledgment receipt will be issued.
 - (b) Same process shall apply for filing of documents (Statement of Case, Defence & Reply).
 - (c) Arrangements have to be made by the Parties or their legal advisers for service of any document that is required for their respective case.
- 2. All pre-hearing procedures will be made by email. Thus:-
 - (a) No formal matters will be held at the Tribunal <u>until further notice</u>. Motions & requests for particulars/information can be made by <u>email</u> at <u>eat@govmu.org</u>. Once duly received, an electronic acknowledgment of receipt will be issued and the request will be included in the file and will be part of the proceedings. Motions & requests for particulars/information must be communicated to all parties which shall acknowledge receipt of same.
 - (b) Responses to the requests must be communicated to the Tribunal and all parties (by email) within a required delay.



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- (c) Parties who do not have the facilities to communicate by email may send their requests/information by way of letter (must be with 'Avis de réception' if posted) within prescribed delay.
- 3. Hearings will be scheduled in a staggered manner in order to avoid the presence of too many people attending the Tribunal at one point in time. The prime objective is to implement social distancing measures.
- 4. Parties will be informed by e-mail once determination is delivered. Same will be in the file and will form part of the proceedings. Determinations shall be available for consultation by logging on to http://eluat.govmu.org/English/Pages/Determinations.aspx
- 5. Kindly note that all communications by e-mail must contain the **ELUAT** case number and the name of the case in the subject line of the email.

The Acting Secretary

14.05.2020