



ELECTORAL COMMISSION OF ZAMBIA

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PRESS RELEASE

PROSECUTION OF FRAUDULENT REGISTERED VOTERS

Prosecutions of persons who registered more than once during the last voter registration exercise has begun in the Lusaka Magistrate Courts. Six suspects appeared in court last week. More are being arrested and prosecuted. Arrests and prosecutions are expected to continue even after elections considering that more than 9,000 people countrywide registered more than once.

Investigations on the Copperbelt and Central Provinces have commenced to be followed by other provinces later. Offenders face a fine of up to K72, 000.00 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year.

The Electoral Commission of Zambia would like to caution that those who intend to vote more than once on the 28th September 2006 shall also be arrested and prosecuted. They shall face a fine of K3, 600,000 or five (5) years imprisonment.