GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Board of Zoning Adjustment



May 20, 2016

Thomas Luebke Secretary Commission of Fine Arts

Re: Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) Application No. 19301

Dear Mr. Luebke:

The Office of Foreign Missions of the United States Department of State has directed a chancery of a Foreign Mission to obtain BZA zoning relief for a project or use that is not provided as a matter of right for the zoning district.

A public hearing has been scheduled by the BZA on <u>Tuesday, July 12, 2016 at 9:30 am</u>, at the Jerrily R. Kress Memorial Hearing Room, One Judiciary Square, at 441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 220 South, Washington, D.C., 20001, concerning the following application:

Application of the Republic of The Gambia, pursuant to 11 DCMR §§ 1002 and 206 of the Foreign Missions Act, to allow the location of a chancery in the SSH-1/R-1-B District at premises 5630 16th Street N.W. (Square 2721W, Lot 27).

WHY YOU ARE RECEIVING THIS NOTICE

The Zoning Regulations of the District of Columbia (Regulations) require the Office of Zoning (OZ) to refer Foreign Missions applications to your agency for review and comment when a chancery is located in an historic landmark or historic district and the use requires review and processing of new construction, demolition, or alteration pursuant to the Historic Landmark and Historic District Protection Act of 1978.

HOW TO FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH THE CASE

In order to review exhibits in the case, follow these steps:

- Visit the OZ website at <u>www.dcoz.dc.gov</u>
- Under "Featured Services", click on "Case Records".
- Enter the BZA application number indicated above and click "Go".
- The search results should produce the list of case documents. Click "View Details".
- On the right-hand side, click "View Full Log".
- This list comprises the full record in the case. Simply click "View" on any document you wish to see, and it will open a PDF document in a separate window.

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HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CASE

Visit the Interactive Zoning Information System (IZIS) on our website at <u>http://app.dcoz.dc.gov</u> and click on "Participating in an Existing (ZC or BZA) Case" in order to file a report in support or opposition into the file. Reports must be filed no later than <u>eight days</u> prior to the public hearing date. Reports filed after this deadline must be accompanied by a Request for Waiver of Time Requirements (Form 150).

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please call OZ at 202-727-6311.

SINCERELY,

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