IFFs on Zambia

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National Initiatives to curb IFFs

- The country is yet to adopt a national strategy and plan specific to IFFs, however the country is in the process of adopting a National AML/CTPF Policy and Strategy. This Policy & Strategy will address aspects of IFFs.

- There is currently no specific inter-agency initiatives solely dedicated at IFF, however fora have been created for competent authorities to collaborate and share information on combating financial crimes including IFF such as Anti Money Laundering Authority and National Task Force of Senior Officials.

- Steps that the country has taken to curb IFFs include:
  
  i. Strengthened tax regime & mechanisms to track output from extractive industries

  ii. Operationalized of the Financial Intelligence Centre & strengthening the AML/CTPF regime

  iii. Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (Implementing country)

- Institutions with expertise and data on IFFs include: Financial Intelligence Centre, Zambia Revenue Authority, Bank of Zambia, Ministry of Mines, Zambia Statistics Agency, Zambia Institute of Policy Analysis and Research
Overview of IFFs in Zambia

- Prevalent methods used to generate IFFs include: trade mispricing, aggressive tax avoidance, public procurement corruption & public investments.

- Industries/sectors that are most affected include: Extractive industries, manufacturing & public sector.

- Commodities/activities most affected include: copper, precious stones and metals, consumer goods & government projects.

- Main perpetrators of IFFs include: multinational corporations & public sector officials.
Our expectations from this UNECA Project include:

• Assist Zambia estimate the volume of IFFs from commercial activities & corruption.

• Serve as a basis for Zambia to engage & learn from other countries in the region.

• Serve as a basis for Zambia to set-up multi-agency initiatives specific to IFFs.
THANK YOU!