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The Provincial Health Director  
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**Attention:** The Board Chairperson  
St. Francis Mission Hospital  
Katete.

**RE: UPGRADING OF ST. FRANCIS MISSION HOSPITAL FROM LEVEL 2 TO LEVEL 3 HOSPITAL.**

I refer to your letter regarding the above captioned subject matter.

The Ministry acknowledges receipt of your letter and duly notes the request to upgrade the status of St. Francis Mission Hospital from a Level 2 to a Level 3 facility. In keeping with the procedure, the Ministry engaged the Health Professions Council of Zambia (HPCZ) to assess the suitability of the upgrade; the hospital scored well except in the area of human resource.

The Ministry is delighted to approve the upgrade of the hospital to a level 3 facility with the understanding that the hospital management working together with the Ministry shall consolidate the specialist staff required for the new level.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. Kasonka'.

Prof. Jackson Kasonka  
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