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## **PRESIDENT LUNGU MOURNS LOSS OF LIVES IN TANZANIA IN FIRE ACCIDENT**

**LUSAKA, (Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2019)-----His Excellency Dr. Edgar Chagwa Lungu President of the Republic of Zambia** is deeply saddened by the loss of about 60 people who perished in a fire accident which also left more than 70 seriously injured. This follows a fuel tanker accident in Morogoro, United Republic of Tanzania.

In a message of condolences to his counterpart, His Excellency President John Pombe Joseph Magufuli of the United Republic of Tanzania, the President said, "it is with deep sorrow that I learnt of the tragic accident which claimed the lives of about 60 people, and left more than 70 seriously injured."

The President said the people of Zambia commiserates with the people of the United Republic of Tanzania during this trying and tragic moment, and prays that God grants fortitude and solace to the bereaved families, and the entire nation to bear this great loss. He also wishes the injured a quick recovery.

"On behalf of the Government, the people of the Republic of Zambia, and indeed on my own behalf, I wish to convey our heartfelt condolences to Your Excellency and the people of the United Republic of Tanzania on this tragic incident," said the President.

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