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RE: 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF MAPUNGUBWE INSTITUTE FOR STRATEGIC REFLECTION

Dear Executive Director Mr Joel Netshitenzhe,

The Kgalema Motlanthe Foundation and I wish to congratulate the Mapungubwe Institute for Strategic Reflection (MISTRA) on the occasion of their 10 Year Anniversary. The achievements of MISTRA flow out of the combined efforts and contribution of every researcher, academic, policymaker, practitioner and partner in this organisation. This powerful shared capacity to link its work with the public and private sectors, civil society, and other social partners, accentuate MISTRA as an institution that continually encourages all to push the boundaries of what is possible.

As a repository of information, wisdom and education, the impact of MISTRA's work resonates in South Africa and around the world with a gravity that takes intellectual exploration to new heights and successes.

With each passing year, since I delivered the keynote address at the launch of MISTRA, I have observed the production of knowledge at its best. As I have previously alluded, 'we live in a world of complex challenges and therefore knowledge will be the key determinant of our country's ability to compete regionally and globally.'

Institutions such as MISTRA are therefore valued for having the courage and determination for producing independent, relevant and impactful research in pursuit of social transformation.

Congratulations to MISTRA for reaching this milestone and all the very best for many more years to come.

Sincerely,

Former President Kgalema Motlanthe

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