



**Chamber of Mines of South Africa**  
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## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

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### **CHAMBER OF MINES CONGRATULATES NEW EXECUTIVE MEMBERS**

The Chamber of Mines congratulates President Jacob Zuma on his inauguration for his second term of office, and Deputy President Cyril Ramaphosa on his appointment.

On behalf of its member companies the Chamber also congratulates Advocate Ngoako Ramatlhodi on his appointment as Minister of Mineral Resources and Deputy Minister Godfrey Oliphant on retaining his position. The Chamber of Mines is encouraged by the appointment of Advocate Ramatlhodi as he brings years of experience in government as a former Premier of Limpopo and Deputy Minister of Correctional Services. The South African Mining sector faces challenges that require concerted efforts by all stakeholders and the Chamber believes Minister Ramatlhodi can only add value through his leadership of the department.

Furthermore, the Chamber wishes to express its gratitude to former Deputy president Kgalema Motlanthe for his astute stewardship of the Mining Consultative Forum as the sector jointly with government sought to deal with the stated challenges faced by the sector. We wish him well in his future endeavours.

The Chamber also sincerely thanks Ms Susan Shabangu for her dedication to the sector and wishes her well in her new role as Minister for Women in The Presidency.

The Chamber pledges its support to new cabinet and looks forward to greater co-operation.

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