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The Appointment of the Third President and New Cabinet Welcomed by Business Against Crime South Africa



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26 September 2008, Johannesburg – Against the backdrop of recent levels of anxiety in South Africa with regard to the need for stability and continuity, South Africa has seen some dramatic changes. The third democratic President of the country, His Excellency Kgalema Motlanthe, was appointed on 25 September 2008. Business Against Crime South Africa wishes to express its congratulations to President Motlanthe and looks forward to the stability that the Cabinet will bring in the short-term as the country advances towards elections.

Business Against Crime South Africa wishes newly appointed Ministers within the Justice Crime Prevention Security (JCPS) cluster success in endeavours to maintain a climate of safety and security for the country. These Ministries and appointments include Safety and Security, Mr E N Mthethwa, Justice and Constitutional Development, Mr M E Surty, Intelligence, Mr S Cwele, and Defence, Mr C Nqakula and Deputy Minister Mr F Bhengu.

Business Against Crime South Africa applauds President Motlanthe for the retention of Minister Balfour, Deputy Minister L Jacobus both from within the Department of Correctional Services, as well as Deputy Minister Susan Shabangu of the Department of Safety and Security and Deputy Minister, Advocate Johnny de Lange, of the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development (DoJ and CD) in their present portfolios. We view this as a strong signal that there is a deliberate plan to ensure continuity in fighting the twin scourges of crime and corruption without any hiatus in implementation. The retained Minister and Deputy Ministers are playing instrumental roles, supported by Business Against Crime South Africa and the broader business community, in driving the joint efforts aimed at:

- the reduction of Violent and Organised Crime; and
- the improvement of the Criminal Justice System.

Business Against Crime South Africa works closely with the departments of the JCPS cluster in efforts to reduce the unacceptable levels of crime in the country and to create an effective, efficient and modernised Criminal Justice System that is able to act as an effective deterrent to crime through the delivery of improved and consistently high performance to build confidence in our law enforcement agencies.

“Business Against Crime South Africa applauds President Motlanthe for recognising the importance of the work underway and we look forward to a strengthened working relationship with Government going forward”, says Sipiwe Nzimande, CEO of Business Against Crime South Africa.

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