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## CHAMBER OF MINES WELCOMES APPOINTMENT OF JUDGE ZONDO TO HEAD STATE CAPTURE INQUIRY

*Development a signal of the beginnings of critical shifts in the quality of  
governance of South Africa*

**Johannesburg, 10 January 2018:** The Chamber of Mines welcomes the appointment of Deputy Chief Justice Raymond Zondo to head the inquiry into state capture on the basis recommended 15 months ago by then Public Protector Thuli Madonsela.

The appointment of such a senior judicial officer to the position following his selection by the Chief Justice, is particularly welcomed given the importance of the task ahead both for the country and for the mining industry. In her October 2016 report, Ms Madonsela identified numerous mining-related issues. Further, poor governance has had a negative impact on investment, growth, jobs and the economy as a whole.

While we lament the inordinate delay in the announcement by President Zuma of this appointment, we optimistically take the development as a signal of the beginnings of critical shifts in the quality of governance of South Africa.

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