

# **MEDIA STATEMENT**

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# CHAMBER OF MINES APPOINTS NEW OFFICE BEARERS, ELECTS MXOLISI MGOJO AS CHAMBER OF MINES PRESIDENT

**Johannesburg, 24 May 2017:** At the 127<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Chamber of Mines, the Chamber members elected the new Office Bearers today for 2017/2018. The Chamber of Mines is the preeminent mining employers' organisation and represents companies that produce around 90% of South Africa's mineral production, by value.

Mr Mxolisi Mgojo, CEO of Exxaro Resources, was elected Chamber of Mines President. Mr Steve Phiri, CEO of Royal Bafokeng Platinum, was elected Vice President. Both Mr Andile Sangqu and Mr Neal Froneman were re-elected as Vice Presidents.

Mr Roger Baxter, CEO of the Chamber of Mines said, "The Chamber Office Bearers play a crucial role in leading and representing the industry, and in providing strategic leadership guidance to the Chamber team. We welcome the new Office Bearers and look forward to their support and wise counsel in the year ahead. For the 2017/18 period the Chamber members have agreed to expand the Office Bearer team by an extra member to support the Chamber in dealing with the key challenges in the environment that need addressing, hence an additional Vice-President role has been added. I am very confident that under the current leadership the Chamber will make further progress in its task of properly representing and assisting its members, and that it will continue to play an ever-increasing role in the development of South Africa's mining industry for the benefit of all.

"On behalf of the Chamber of Mines and its members, I extend our sincere gratitude to outgoing President, Mr Mike Teke for his exemplary leadership of the Chamber and his invaluable contribution to the mining industry during extremely challenging times.

His inspired leadership and firm belief that mining really matters for the growth,



transformation and development of South Africa has been instrumental to the industry's drive to achieve growth and transformation and governance outcomes that are in the national interest. We wish him well in his new endeavours."

#### **Profiles Chamber of Mines Office Bearers:**

## PRESIDENT OF THE CHAMBER OF MINES: MR MXOLISI MGOJO

BSc (Hons) (Energy Studies), MBA, Advanced Management Programme (Wharton) Mxolisi Mgojo was appointed CEO of Exxaro Resources on 1 April 2016. He served as an Executive Head of Coal at Exxaro since August 2008 and served as its Executive Head of Operations. He was also responsible for the base metals and industrial minerals commodity business of Exxaro. Previously, Mgojo served as Head of Group Marketing of Eyesizwe Coal.

#### **VICE PRESIDENTS OF THE CHAMBER OF MINES:**

#### **ANDILE SANGQU**

BCom (Acc); BCompt (Hons); CTA; Higher Diploma Tax Law; MBL

Andile Sangqu is currently executive head of Anglo American South Africa. He has also held senior positions in various government departments and currently serves as a non-executive director in a number of companies.

#### MR NEAL FRONEMAN

BSc Mech Eng (Ind Opt), University of the Witwatersrand; BCompt, University of South Africa Neal Froneman has been at the helm of Sibanye since January 2013 and has some 30 years of operational, corporate development and mining industry experience. He was appointed CEO of Aflease Gold Limited in April 2003. Aflease Gold, through a series of reverse take-overs, became Gold One in May 2009. Prior to joining Aflease Gold, Neal held executive and senior management positions at Gold Fields of South Africa Limited, Harmony Gold and JCI Limited.

### **STEVE PHIRI**

BJuris, LLB, LLM, Dip Corp Law

Steve Phiri has been at the helm of RBPlat since its formation in April 2010. Prior to that, he was the CEO of ferrochrome producer Merafe Resources Limited. He previously headed up the Royal



Bafokeng Nation's corporate and legal affairs, which included negotiations with entities such as Merafe and Impala Platinum Limited. He is admitted as an attorney of the High Court of South Africa.

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