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Dear Honourable President

### **The Presidential Climate Commission's First Annual Report**

It gives me great pleasure to submit to you the Presidential Climate Commission's First Annual Report.

The Presidential Climate Commission was established in December 2020, and its work programme got underway during the 2021/22 financial year. As such the Annual Report is a comprehensive reflection of the Presidential Climate Commission's first year of operations. Notably, the report highlights key achievements since its establishment, in particular:

- strengthening South Africa's 2030 climate targets in the form of the updated Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC);
- establishing a framework for the just transition in South Africa;
- building a social compact to support the just transition.

The first year of the Commission has laid a robust foundation for its future work. As part of this foundation, the different workstreams for climate change mitigation, adaptation and finance have been established and future work will deepen the evidence base in these workstreams.

The report also gives details regarding the institutional and operational aspects of the Commission. During this time, the Commission developed its Charter, which complements the

cabinet approved terms of reference. As part of the requirements in the Charter, the Commission established a Finance and Governance Committee to exercise oversight and provide direction in financial management and reporting and manage risks as well as accounting compliance practices. The annual report contains a report from this Committee, which includes an overview of the Commissions expenditure and a list of donors that support the Commission financially.

Finally, the Annual Report provides a high-level summary of how the Commission aims to address major challenges at the intersection of climate and development in South Africa with the aim of facilitating a just and equitable transition. With the Framework for a Just Transition in South Africa having been adopted by all the social partners, the immediate priority for the Commission is to initiate implementation of the just transition. In this regard, future work will cover all facets of the transition such as job creation; skills development; the energy transition; research and innovation; and mobilising the requisite finance. Finally, the Commission is also gearing up to establish a monitoring and evaluation system to track and report on all aspects of the just transition.

Kindly receive the first Annual Report of the Presidential Climate Commission

Yours Sincerely,



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Mr Valli Moosa  
Deputy Chairperson of the Presidential Climate Commission