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The Chairperson
ILO Governing Body
International Labour Office
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Dear Ambassador Jardfelt

**NOMINATION OF PROFESSOR MTHUNZI PERRY-MASON
MDWABA FOR THE POSITION OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF
THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANIZATION (ILO) DURING
THE MARCH, 2022 ELECTIONS**

In our capacity as a Member State to the International Labour Organisation and reverberating a decision by the Southern African Development Community (SADC) on behalf of the Government of Lesotho, to support Professor Mthunzi Perry-Mason Mdwaba, it instills in me a great honour and privilege to submit the nomination of Professor Mthunzi Perry-Mason Mdwaba as the candidate for the Director General of the International Labour Organisation during the 2022 elections.

From its inception, the ILO has never had an African Director General. With a view to achieving territorial balance into the highest structure of the Organisation, in its century old history, the nomination of Professor Mdwaba has come at an opportune time to avail to Africa of the much needed opportunity to play a meaningful role in this very unique tripartite Organisation. Professor Mdwaba has the credentials and vision to lead the Organization to achieve its noble objectives and to respond to the emerging challenges especially in the wake of the devastating COVID-19 pandemic which as greatly impacted the world as we know it.

Please accept, distinguished Chairperson of the Governing Body, the compliments of my highest esteem.

Yours sincerely



HONOURABLE TŠELISO KALAKE
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