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Development Bureau (BDT)**

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To:

- Administrations of ITU Member States,
- ITU-D Sector Members, and
- Regulators in Southern Africa

Subject: Appointment of Ms. Halima Letamo as Area Representative for ITU Area Office for Southern Africa – Harare

Dear Sir/Madam,

It is my pleasure to inform you that the Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) appointed Ms. Halima Letamo as ITU Area Representative for Southern Africa with effect from 19 August 2024. She will be based in the ITU Area Office in Harare.

Ms. Letamo replaces, Ms. Chali Tumelo who served in the same capacity until her retirement in 2023. Ms. Letamo has been working with ITU's Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) in Geneva, Switzerland since 2015. I am certain that her appointment will help enhance and expand our work in Southern Africa, within the scope of operations of the ITU Area Office in Harare, reinforcing cooperation between your country and the Union, together with other Member States in the Region.

The ICT community has a critical role to play in catalysing the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals. Through our Office in Harare, we look forward to further strengthening our common efforts to advance digital innovation and transformation and ensure positive impact on the lives of all inhabitants in Southern Africa and beyond.

Should your country have any specific needs regarding telecommunications/ICT related matters, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Letamo.

I have no doubt that she will benefit from your full collaboration in the pursuit of her duties.

Ms. Halima Letamo will take the earliest opportunity to visit your country and introduce herself. She can be reached at her email: halima.letamo@itu.int.

Yours faithfully,

[Original signed]

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