

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS CONDOLENCE MESSAGE ON THE PASSING AWAY OF THE VICE PRESIDENT, HONOURABLE LANDA JOHN NKOMO

The Minister of Foreign Affairs, Honourable Simbarashe S. Mumbengegwi, the Deputy Minister, Honourable Rabson Makhula, the Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Ambassador Joey M. Bimha, and the entire staff, learnt with shock and profound grief and sorrow, of the death of Vice President, Honourable Landa John Nkomo.

The Ministry wishes to convey to the Nkomo family, the President, His Excellency Cde. R.G. Mugabe, and the whole Zimbabwean nation its heartfelt condolences on the untimely death of Vice President Nkomo.

The late Vice President will be remembered for tirelessly and selflessly fighting for the liberation of the country. Cde. Nkomo bore the brunt of the settler colonial regime when he was incarcerated at Gonakudzingwa for his political activities. The late Vice President played a pivotal role in post-independent Zimbabwe, holding various Ministerial posts. He was also ZANU (PF) National Chairman and Speaker of the House of Assembly.

As his family and the Zimbabwean nation mourn Cde. Nkomo's death, may we all take solace in the knowledge that the noble ideals for which

he steadfastly fought, amongst them the economic empowerment of all the people, will continue to guide and inspire present and future generations in Zimbabwe and beyond.

May his dear departed soul rest in peace.