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UNITED NATIONS UNDER – SECRETARY GENERAL AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UN WOMEN TO DELIVER THE 2020 CHIEF ALBERT LUTHULI MEMORIAL LECTURE

The Luthuli Museum is proud to announce that Ms Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, the UN Undersecretary and Executive Director of UN Women will deliver the 2020 Chief Albert Luthuli Memorial Lecture on the 28 November 2020.

The theme for this year's Chief Albert Luthuli Memorial Lecture is; *'The 1995 World Conference on Women: Where to for South Africa and the rest of the African continent?'*

This year's 14th Luthuli Memorial Lecture theme, premised against the backdrop of the 1995 Beijing UN World Conference on Women which 'marked a significant turning point for the global agenda for gender equality'. This year's theme becomes important considering that "South Africa is going through a dark period where the scourge of gender based violence and Femicide continues unabated despite efforts to combat it. We need to earnestly ask ourselves about the future for the upcoming generation", said Mr Important Mkhize, the Chairperson of the Luthuli Museum Council.

Civil rights activists recently made a call to government for 'effective legislation to combat' gender based violence against women which threatens the gains made in gender equality. South Africa's President Cyril Ramaphosa termed this scourge against women as the country's 'second pandemic' and requires a programme of action by all concerned groups.

Chief Albert Luthuli was a staunch advocate for gender equality; human rights and peaceful coexistence amongst all beings. This year's Luthuli Memorial Lecture adds its voice to many in raising public awareness; critical debate and action against this 'crime against our common humanity'.



**Ms Phumzile Mlambo - Ngcuka
Under-Secretary General and Executive
Director: UN Women**

Due to the current global pandemic, this year's Memorial Lecture will be delivered virtually live from the UN Women offices in New York on Saturday 28 November 2020 at 15h00, South African time.

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About the Chief Albert Luthuli Memorial Lecture

The objective of the Memorial Lecture is to promote the principles and values of Chief Albert Luthuli, namely peace, human rights, justice and the coexistence of people in harmony irrespective of race, colour or creed. The Lecture provides a platform for public awareness; critical debate and action on issues important to society.

Previous speakers at the Lecture have included former President of the Republic of South Africa, Mr Thabo Mbeki; the former Zambian President K Kaunda ; the former Mozambican President Joachim Chissano ; the former President of the Republic of South Africa, Mr Jacob Zuma ; the former Chief Justice of the Constitutional Court, Mr Sandile Ngcobo ; the former Speaker of the National Assembly, Dr Frene Ginwala ; Minister N Mthethwa, MP ; Dr Brigalia Bam, former Chairperson of the RSA Independent Electoral Commission and Dr Ishmael Noko, former Secretary-General of the Lutheran World Federation and the former Minister in the Presidency, Mr Jeff Radebe; poet and writer, Dr Wally Serote and the RSA Public Protector, Advocate Busisiwe Mkhwebane ; the former Botswana President, Mr Festus Mogae; the Chief Justice of the Republic of South Africa, Mr Mogoeng Mogoeng, and Ms Samia Ayaa Nkrumah, the daughter of Ghana's first President, Mr Kwame Nkrumah. .

About the Speaker

Ms Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka is United Nations Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of UN Women. She was sworn into office on 19 August 2013 and brings a wealth of experience and expertise to this position, having devoted her career to issues of human rights, equality and social justice. Ms. Mlambo-Ngcuka has worked in government and civil society, and with the private sector, and was actively involved in the struggle to end apartheid in her home country of South Africa.

From 2005 to 2008, she served as Deputy President of South Africa, overseeing programmes to combat poverty and bring the advantages of a growing economy to the poor, with a particular focus on women. Prior to this, she served as Minister of Minerals and Energy from 1999 to 2005 and Deputy Minister in the Department of Trade and Industry from 1996 to 1999. She was a Member of Parliament from 1994 to 1996 as part of South Africa's first democratic government.

Ms. Mlambo-Ngcuka began her career as a teacher and gained international experience as a coordinator at the World YWCA in Geneva, where she established a global programme for young women. She is the founder of the Umlambo Foundation, which supports leadership and education. A long time champion of women's rights, she is affiliated with several organizations devoted to education, women's empowerment and gender equality.

She has completed her PhD on education and technology at the University of Warwick, United Kingdom.

About the Luthuli Museum:

The Luthuli Museum is a site of international historical significance. It celebrates the life and legacy of a Chief Albert John Mvumbi Luthuli, a human rights champion, an exemplary African leader and the first African to be awarded the 1960 Nobel Peace Prize. The Luthuli Museum was officially opened on 21 August; 2004 by President Thabo Mbeki. It includes the original 1927 home of Chief Albert Luthuli that is situated on 3233 Nokukhanya Luthuli Street, Groutville, KwaDukuza, KwaZulu Natal Province.

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**U.N NGAPHANSI - UNOBHALA JIKELELE NOMQONDISI OPHEPHILEYO WABESIFAZANE BASE-UN
BAKWETHULELE NGE- NKULUMO ENKULU KA 2020 YOKUKHUMBULA INKOSI ALBERT LUTHULI**

ILuthuli Museum iyaziqhenya ngokumemezela ukuthi uNks Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, uNobhala Wezikhulu we-UN kanye noMqondisi Omkhulu we-UN Women uzokwethula Isifundo Esiyinhloko Sokukhumbula iSikhumbuzo sika-2020 Albert Albert Luthuli mhla zingama-28 Novemba 2020.

Indikimba yesiFundo seChief Albert Luthuli Memorial salo nyaka ithi; 'INGqungquthela Yomhlaba Yabesifazane Yowe-1995: Ingaphi iNingizimu Afrika kanye nezwekazi lase-Afrika lonke?'

Ingqikithi yesifundo seLuthuli Memorial 14 salo nyaka, ebhekiswe esimweni esingemuva seNgqungquthela Yomhlaba Wonke Yezizwe Yabesifazane yase-Beijing yowe-1995 'eyaphawula inguquko ephawulekayo kwi-ajenda yomhlaba wonke yokulingana ngokobulili'. Indikimba yalo nyaka iba ebalulekile uma kubhekwa ukuthi "iNingizimu Afrika idlula esikhathini esimnyama lapho isihlava sodlame olubhekiswe kwabesifazane nokubulawa kwabantu besifazane kuqhubeka khona ngaphandle kokuyekethisa naphezu kwemizamo yokulwisana naso. Kumele sizibuze ngobuqotho ngekusasa lesizukulwane esizayo ", kusho uMnu Important Mkhize, onguSihlalo woMkhandlu Womnyuziyamu waseLuthuli.

Izishoshovu zamalungelo omphakathi muva nje zenze isimemezelo kuhulumeni sokuthi kube 'nomthetho osebenzayo wokulwa' nodlame olubhekiswe kwabesifazane olubhekise ekuzuzeni ukulingana ngokobulili. UMongameli waseNingizimu Afrika uCyril Ramaphosa ubize lesi sihlava esibhekiswe kwabesifazane 'njengobhadane lwesibili' lwezwe futhi oludinga uhlelo lokusebenza ngawo wonke amaqembu athintekayo.

UChief Albert Luthuli wayengummeli oqinile wokulingana ngokobulili; amalungelo esintu nokuhlalisana ngokuthula phakathi kwabo bonke abantu. ILuthuli Memorial Lecture yalo nyaka ingeza izwi layo kwabaningi ekuqwashiseni umphakathi; impikiswano kanye nezinyathelo ezibucayi ezibhekene naleli 'cala elibhekene nobuntu bethu obujwayelekile'.

Ngenxa yobhadane lomhlaba wonke olukhona njengamanje, iSikhumbuzo Lecture salo nyaka sizokwethulwa cishe bukhoma kusuka emahhovisi e-UN Women eNew York ngoMgqibelo zingu-28 Novemba 2020 ngo-15h00, isikhathi saseNingizimu Afrika.

Ngemibuzo, sicela uthinte: Nksz Valentia Mthembu kule nombolo yokuxhumana: 082 899 8819/032 559 6822/23 noma ikheli le-imeyili: marketing@luthulimuseum.org.za. Vakashela iwebhusayithi yakwaLuthuli ku: www.luthulimuseum.org.za



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Mayelana Nesifundo Sechief Albert Luthuli Memorial

Inhloso yeSifundo seSikhumbuzo ukukhuthaza imigomo namagugu eNduna u-Albert Luthuli, okungukuthula, amalungelo abantu, ubulungiswa kanye nokuhlalisana kwabantu ngokuvumelana kungakhathalekile ubuhlanga, ibala noma inkolo. Isifundo sihlinzeka ngenkundla yokuqwashisa umphakathi; impikiswano ebalulekile nezenzo ezindabeni ezibalulekile emphakathini.

Izikhulumi zangaphambilini eSifundweni zifake owayenguMongameli weRiphabhulikhi yaseNingizimu Afrika, uMnu Thabo Mbeki; owayenguMongameli waseZambia uK Kaunda; owayenguMongameli waseMozambique uJoachim Chissano; owayenguMongameli weRiphabhulikhi yaseNingizimu Afrika, uMnu Jacob Zuma; owake waba yiJaji Elikhulu leNkantolo Yomthethosisekelo, uMnu Sandile Ngcobo; owayenguSomlomo Wesigungu Sikazwelonke, uDkt Frene Ginwala; UNgqongqoshe uN Mthethwa, iLungu lePhalamende; Dkt Brigalia Bam, owayenguSihlalo weKhomishini Yokhetho Ezimele yaseNingizimu Afrika kanye noDkt Ishmael Noko, owayenguNobhala-Jikelele we-Lutheran World Federation kanye nalowo owayenguNgqongqoshe eHhovisi likaMongameli, uMnu Jeff Radebe; imbongi nombhali, uDkt Wally Serote kanye noMvikelisi Womphakathi waseNingizimu Afrika, u-Advocate Busisiwe Mkhwebane; owayenguMongameli waseBotswana, uMnu Festus Mogae; iJaji Eliyinhloko leRiphabhulikhi yaseNingizimu Afrika, uMnu Mogoeng Mogoeng, noNks Samia Ayaa Nkrumah, indodakazi kaMongameli wokuqala waseGhana, uMnu Kwame Nkrumah.

Mayelana Nesikhulumi Senkulumo

UNkk Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka unguNobhala-Jikelele Wezizwe Ezihlangene futhi unguMqondisi Omkhulu we-UN Women. Wafungiswa esikhundleni ngomhlaka 19 Agasti 2013 futhi uletha ingcebo yolwazi nobungoti kulesi sikhundla, njengoba enikele ngomsebenzi wakhe ezindabeni zamalungelo abantu, ukulingana kanye nobulungiswa kwezehlalo. UNkk Mlambo-Ngcuka usebenze kuhulumeni nasezinhlanganweni zomphakathi, nasezinkampanini ezizimele, futhi ubebambe iqhaza elibonakalayo emzabalazweni wokuqeda ubandlululo ezweni lakubo laseNingizimu Afrika.

Kusukela ngo-2005 kuya ku-2008, usebenze njengePhini likaMongameli waseNingizimu Afrika, engamele izinhlelo zokulwa nobuphophu futhi alethe izinzuzo zomnotho okhulayo kwabampofu, egxile kakhulu kwabesifazane. Ngaphambi kwalokhu, usebenze njengoNgqongqoshe Wezimbiwa Namandla kusukela ngonyaka ka-1999 kuya ku-2005 futhi eyiPhini likaNgqongqoshe eMnyangweni Wezohwebo Nezimboni kusukela ngonyaka we-1996 kuya kowe-1999. Wayeyilungu lePhalamende kusukela ngonyaka we-1994 kuya kowe-1996 njengengxenyane kahulumeni wokuqala wentando yeningi waseNingizimu Afrika.

UNkk Mlambo-Ngcuka waqala umsebenzi wakhe wokuba nguthisha futhi wazuza ulwazi lwamazwe omhlaba njengomxhumanisi eWorld YWCA eGeneva, lapho asungula khona uhlelo lomhlaba wonke lwabesifazane abasebasha. Ungumsunguli we-Umlambo Foundation, osekela ubuholi nemfundo. Umpetha wesikhathi eside wamalungelo abesifazane, uhambisana nezinhlangano eziningana ezinikele kwezemfundo, ukunikezwa kwabesifazane amandla nokulingana ngokobulili.

Uqedile i-PhD yakhe kwezemfundo nobuchwepheshe e-University of Warwick, e-United Kingdom.

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Mayelana Neluthuli Museum:

ILuthuli Museum iyindawo ebalulekile ngokomlando emhlabeni jikelele. Igubha impilo nefa leNduna u-Albert John Mvumbi Luthuli, iqhawe lamalungelo abantu, umholi oyisibonelo wase-Afrika kanye nom-Afrika wokuqala owanikezwa uMklomelo Wokuthula Ka-1960. ILuthuli Museum yavulwa ngokusemthethweni ngomhlaka 21 Agasti; 2004 nguMongameli Thabo Mbeki. Kubandakanya ikhaya langempela le-1927 leChief Albert Luthuli eliku-3233 Nokukhanya Luthuli Street, eGroutville, KwaDukuza, esifundazweni saKwaZulu Natali.

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