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Chief Executive Officer AfricanBrains

Attention: John Glassey

Re: Innovation Africa 2018, Harare, Zimbabwe

On behalf of the Government of Zimbabwe we are pleased to confirm official patronage for Innovation Africa 2018.

We are delighted that this high-level forum for education, ICT, higher education, research and innovation will be taking place in Zimbabwe in 2018. On behalf of our Government we will be working closely with AfricanBrains to ensure an event of the highest quality that is the continent's largest annual gathering of ministers for education, higher education, ICT and science & technology.

Accordingly, the Government of Zimbabwe along with the organisers will be inviting and confirming the participation of ministers, deputy ministers and senior officials from all African countries.

The summit is of great importance to the Government of Zimbabwe and especially the meetings-based format allowing for productive face-to-face engagement between government, civil society and industry partners. The summit has Zimbabwe cabinet approval and has the guaranteed involvement and endorsement from the lead ministries of the Ministry of Primary & Secondary Education, Ministry of Higher Education and the Ministry of ICT.

We strongly encourage global industry leaders and partners to come to Harare for Africa's leading ministerial summit for education and innovation as our country enters a new dawn of economic and political stability, along with our commitment to ensure that the summit will have record levels of ministerial participation from across Africa.

We are encouraged to be working with AfricanBrains who have established this powerful meetings-based format whereby such engagement produces genuine output and purpose. Moreover, we strongly encourage all-comers to enjoy the hospitality of

Zimbabwe. We trust that all participants of the Innovation Africa 2018 can take some time to enjoy the culture and heritage of our great country.

We look forward to meeting you at Innovation Africa 2018 and welcoming you to the warm hospitality of Zimbabwe.

Warmest regards.

Hon Paul Mavima Minister of Primary & Secondary Education Government of the Republic of Zimbabwe

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