WARRANT

By the President whereby "the ORDER OF MAPUNGUBWE" is instituted

To all to whom these presents may come:

Greetings!

Whereas it is desirable to take into consideration and recognize exceptional, excellent, and outstanding achievements on the international arena by South African citizens in the interest of the Republic of South Africa;

And whereas it is desirable to honour in an appropriate manner persons who have rendered such exceptional, excellent and outstanding service on the international arena;

Now, therefore, I do hereby institute in terms of section 84 (2) (k) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa,1996 (Act 108 of 1996) an Order, which shall be known as "the Order of Mapungubwe" as an honourable tribute to such persons, as may be considered deserving and further ordain that the undermentioned rules, together with the regulations that may be issued in terms of this Warrant shall govern the award of the Order:

CATEGORIES

- 1. The Order may be awarded to South African Citizens in the following categories:
 - (i) Category I: Order of Mapungubwe in Platinum

To South African citizens whose exceptional achievements in the international arena have served the interests of the Republic of South Africa.

(ii) Category II: Order of Mapungubwe in Gold

To South African Citizens whose excellent achievements in the international arena have served the interests of the Republic of South Africa.

(iii) Category III: Order of Mapungubwe in Bronze

To South African citizens whose outstanding achievements in the international arena have served the interests of the Republic of South Africa.

- 2. The Insignia of the Order of Mapungubwe shall consist of-
 - (i) the Neck Decoration;
 - (ii) the Miniature and
 - (iii) the Lapel Badge
- 3. Neck Decoration and Miniature
 - (i) Both the neck Decoration and Miniature shall be identical in design, differing only in metallic content, size and means of suspension.
 - the lower and the upper part shall be in the form of a segment of a roundel, the arc above bordered with a representation of a row of beads, the chords having the form of twisted scepters, couped and conjoined horizontally, the base thus formed bearing a representation of the entrance to a furnace with a lowe of flames on a red field; within this framework, a crucible bearing geometric patterns, overflowing forward and embellished in gold: this lower part is pendent by means of two arcs, attached to the heads of the scepters, from an upper part comprising a cartouche set fesswise, charged with a representation of Mapungubwe Hill bearing a gold Rhinoceros and there above on a black field a

rising sun, all within a beaded border, recessed and fitchy in cross.

- (iii) The principal metal of Category I shall be platinum; of Category II gold; and of Category III bronze. In each case the representation of the Mapungubwe Rhinoceros shall be in gold.
- (iv) The overall dimensions of the neck decoration shall be 70 mm in height and 60 mm in width.
- (v) The dimensions of the miniature shall be one third the size of the Neck Decoration.
- (vi) Both the full size and miniature insignia shall bear on the reverse the national coat of arms in relief.
- (vii) The reverse of the Neck Decoration shall bear beneath the coat of Arms of the Republic of South Africa, a serial number.

4. Ribbon

- (i) The ribbon shall be 36 mm in width, gold in colour and have within borders bearing a circular bead-like pattern, 3mm wide and set 2mm from the outer edges, recurring representation of the Mapungubwe Rhinoceros 20 mm in width, and set 45mm apart, all of a cream colour.
- (ii) The miniature ribbon shall be half the width of the full-size ribbon.

5. Lapel Badge

The lapel badge shall be similar in size and design to the upper part of the miniature, but without the coat of arms on the reverse.

OFFICIALS OF THE ORDER

- 6. The officials of the Order are the following:
 - (i) The President as the Patron of the Order; and
 - (ii) The Chancellor of Orders, who administers and keeps the Order.

AWARD OF THE ORDER

- 7. The President may, subject to the rules and Regulations concerning "the Order of Mapungubwe" (hereafter referred to as the Regulations)-
 - (i) award the Order, also posthumously;
 - (ii) annul such an award; and
 - (iii) restore an award annulled in terms of rule 7 (ii)

WEARING OF THE ORDER

8. The insignia of Category I, Category II and Category III shall be worn pendent from a Ribbon worn around the neck, while the miniature shall be worn on the left breast. The lapel badges of the respective categories shall be worn on the left lapel of the jacket, in the case of females, as a brooch.

GENERAL RULES

9. The conferment of the Order shall not entitle recipients to any individual precedence, rank, style or title, but they shall be entitled to indicate that they have been invested with the relevant category of the Order by the use of the following post-nominal letters:

Order of Mapungubwe: Platinum - OMP

Order of Mapungubwe: Gold - OMG

Order of Mapungubwe: Bronze - OMB

- 10. The President as Patron of the Order is, on assumption of office and after relinquishing office, the holder of the Order in the highest category and may wear the insignia of the Order on appropriate occasions.
- 11. All unawarded insignia and ribbons shall be kept at the Chancery and shall be issued to recipients by the Chancery only.

- 12. The names of the persons who have been awarded the Order shall be published in the Government Gazette.
- 13. The President may make Regulations to give effect to the provisions of this Warrant.

Given under my Hand at Pretoria this...... day of December, Two thousand and Two.

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T. M. MBEKI,

PRESIDENT.

By Order of the President-in-Cabinet

REGULATIONS GOVERNING "THE ORDER OF MAPUNGUBWE"

The President has, in terms of rule 13 of his Warrant, dated the of December 2002, by which "the Order of Mapungubwe" (hereinafter referred to as the Order), approved that the following regulations governing the Order be promulgated:

- Upon award, the Order shall be presented by the President or by any other person designated by him to the person to whom the Order has been awarded. If at all possible, in the case of a posthumous award, to the next of kin, a blood relation or legal heir of the deceased, as the President may determine.
- A Certificate of Award bearing the Seal of the Chancery of Orders and signed by the Chancellor of Orders or any officer designated by him, shall be issued in respect of each award.
- 3. The insignia shall be worn only by the person to whom they have been awarded.
- (i) If the insignia or certificate of award is stolen, lost, destroyed or damaged, the circumstances must be reported to the Chancellor of Orders
 - (ii) If the Chancellor, after due investigation and upon sworn information, is of the opinion that the theft, loss, destruction or damage to the insignia or certificate of award was not due to negligence or carelessness of the recipient, he may authorize the replacement thereof at state expense, otherwise the recipient shall bear the cost of replacement.
- The holder shall not pledge, barter, sell or in anyway alienate the insignia except by testamentary bequest. In case of any doubt, the Chancellor of Orders must be consulted.
- 6. Upon award of the Order in a higher category the insignia of the category previously held by a recipient shall be returned to the Chancery and only the Insignia of the higher category may be worn.
- 7. (i) The President may in terms of rule 7 (ii) of the Warrant annul an award if the holder, in the opinion of the President, has performed any action or behaved in a manner which harmed the interest of the Republic of South Africa or otherwise in such a manner that he/she has become unworthy of the Order.

- (ii) The holder concerned shall on annulment of the award surrender the Insignia and Certificate of Award to the Chancellor.
- (iii) The President may, in terms of rule 7 (iii) of the Warrant restore the annulled Order if the person concerned is in every way deserving and worthy of such restoration.
- 8. The Chancery of Orders shall keep a register in which the following shall be recorded:
 - (i) The name of the recipient, the date of award and the serial number of the insignia; and
 - (ii) The annulment, restoration, loss or replacement of the Insignia of the Order.
- 9. The President may-
 - (i) amend or recall the Insignia of the Order;
 - (ii) amend or rescind the requirements for award of the Order; and
 - (iii) recall the Order