

MEDIA RELEASE	PSA congratulates Minister Nomakhosazana Meth on election as Vice Chair of the International Labour Organization Group (ILO)
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The Public Servants Association (PSA) extends its sincere congratulations to the Minister of Employment and Labour, Ms Nomakhosazana Meth, on her election as Vice Chair of the International Labour Organization (ILO) Government Group. This prestigious appointment is a significant achievement for South Africa and reflects the growing recognition of the country's role in shaping global labour standards and advancing decent work. The PSA notes that the ILO remains a critical multilateral platform that promotes social justice, fair labour practices, and the protection of workers' rights worldwide.

Minister Meth's election comes at a crucial time when workers across the globe and particularly in South Africa continue to face challenges such as unemployment, inequality, precarious work, and the evolving nature of workplaces driven by technological change. Her leadership within the ILO structures presents an opportunity to advance progressive labour policies and strengthen the voice of workers in international forums.

The PSA trusts that Minister Meth will utilise this platform to advocate for stronger protections of workers' rights, promote inclusive economic growth and job creation, advance social dialogue between governments, labour, and employers, and champion policies that address youth unemployment and inequality. As a Union representing public servants, the PSA emphasises the importance of ensuring that international commitments translate into tangible improvements in working conditions at a national level. The PSA stands ready to support initiatives that align with the promotion of decent work, fair remuneration, and the protection of labour rights in South Africa.

The PSA further calls on the Department of Employment and Labour to continue engaging organised labour in meaningful consultation processes to ensure that South Africa's positions at international platforms such as the ILO reflect the realities and needs of workers on the ground. Once again, the PSA congratulates Minister Meth on this important milestone and wishes her success in executing her responsibilities in advancing the global labour agenda.

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