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**MEDIA STATEMENT BY HIS EXCELLENCY KGALEMA MOTLANTHE:
THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMISSION OF INQUIRY INTO POST-
ELECTION VIOLENCE IN ZIMBABWE ON THE 1ST OF AUGUST 2018.**

22 September 2018

Ladies and Gentlemen;

It is with a profound sense of humility, honour and duty to the people of Zimbabwe that I have accepted the responsibility to chair the Commission of Inquiry into Post- Election Violence in Zimbabwe, appointed by His Excellency the President; E.D. Mnangagwa.

I and the Commission's six other members were sworn in by President Mnangagwa on the 19th of September 2018. My fellow commissioners in the commission are:

1. Chief Emeka Anyaoku, the former Commonwealth Secretary General
2. General Davis Mwamunyange, the former Chief of Defence Forces of the Tanzania People's Defence Forces
3. Mr Rodney Dixon QC, from the United Kingdom
4. Professor Charity Manyeruke, from the University of Zimbabwe
5. Professor Lovemore Madhuku, from the University of Zimbabwe
6. Mrs Vimbai Nyemba, the former President of the Law Society of Zimbabwe

Following our swearing in, we have today begun the work of the Commission. It is our intention to begin with public hearings in mid-October this year. Between now and then we will be inviting and expect submissions from institutions and members of the public to reach the Secretariat by not later than the 12 of October 2018.

I wish to take this opportunity on behalf of the Commission to call on all Zimbabweans to embrace and fully participate in the work of the

Commission. It is our intention to interact with communities in Harare and outside including Bulawayo, Mutare and other centres as may be necessary.

I, once again, reiterate that in doing our work and as per our mandate, we will listen to all the views from all sectors of the people of Zimbabwe on what transpired on that fateful day. We will do our work diligently, professionally and in a transparent manner without fear or favour. Ultimately our goal is to assist the people of Zimbabwe find lasting peace, unity, healing and reconciliation.

I have full confidence in the members of the commission, to carry out their duties with the highest standards of integrity, impartiality, ethical and professional conduct.

We look forward to receiving submissions from all sections of the people of Zimbabwe. Our message to the people of Zimbabwe is: use this commission as part of the necessary building blocks towards a new Zimbabwe – a country of your dreams, your hopes and aspirations.

Thank you.