# **Update to the President**

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THE PRESIDENCY
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA





# Agenda

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- 2. Introductory remarks from Business
- 3. Focal areas: overview of progress and key requirements
  - a. NECOM
  - b. NLCC
  - c. JICC
  - d. Communications and narrative
- 4. Agree next steps on focal areas
- 5. Employment research update
- 6. Closure

# **Introductory remarks from Business**



# 115+ South African CEOs have pledged their commitment to building the country



















Additional signatories being confirmed

Pledged organisations represent over R 11 trillion in market capitalisation and more than 1.2 million employees



# Business has mobilised to directly support focal areas













# **Focal areas:** Overview of progress and key requirements





# Progress has been made in each focal area since 6 June 2023 meeting



A collaborative approach to achieve inclusive growth, inspire confidence and create jobs

6 June 2023

## **Next six weeks**

## Mobilise resources, establish timeframes and commence work

- Deliverables, targets and work plans defined for each priority
- Private sector teams mobilised and integrated into workstreams
- Coordination structures (including NLCC and JICC) established
- JSOC convened

### **Next three months**

### **Build momentum**

- All priority projects fully resourced and in implementation
- Initial results visible (leading indicators)
- Three-month targets achieved: e.g. increasing load factor of OCGTs to curb load shedding over winter

### **Next six months**

### **Demonstrate results**

- Six-month targets achieved: e.g. improvement in performance of identified power stations and rail corridors
- Impact communicated to the public
- Additional priorities identified for further collaboration





# **Energy: Significant progress on the Energy Action Plan after one year**

#### **PROGRESS SINCE 6 JUNE**

Business integrated into three NECOM work streams

Mobilised joint teams in initial areas

Launched One Stop Shop for energy projects Formally tabled the ERA
Bill in Parliament

Marked one-year anniversary of the Energy Action Plan

## Progress on key objectives after one year of the Energy Action Plan

- Regulatory changes implemented to remove licensing threshold and enable private investment in electricity generation
- Generation Recovery Plan being implemented, with unplanned losses reducing
- One Stop Shop officially launched to provide single entry point for renewable energy projects to obtain necessary authorisations
- Installed rooftop solar more than doubled since June 2022, with support from new tax incentives and financing schemes
- Ministerial determination issued for more than 14000 MW of new generation capacity from wind, solar & battery storage

## **Business support mobilised in three critical areas**

- Optimising diesel supply chain at Ankerlig to increase load factor
- Supporting the return of additional units at Kusile through on-time completion of temporary stack
- Supporting power station managers to implement turnaround plans at four identified stations

Interventions aim to recover c.5.4GW of system capacity over next 12 months

Work underway to scope additional support areas and establish regular interface for input on critical policy-related issues





# Energy: Promulgating the ERA and establishing an independent transmission company this year are the most vital steps on the critical path to end load shedding and achieve energy security

### **KEY CRITICAL NEXT STEPS**

1

## Put in place expedited process for passage of the ERA

- Essential for unbundling of Eskom and energy market reforms outlines powers and functions of Transmission System Operator and establishes a competitive electricity market
- Will require expedited process to pass Bill in Sixth Parliament, similar to General Laws Amendment Bill and Eskom Debt Relief Bill

2

## Complete the establishment of the National Transmission Company

• One of three license applications approved by NERSA – trading and import/export license need to be expedited alongside appointment of independent board to operationalise NTCSA



## **Fully operationalise the One Stop Shop for energy projects**

- Over 100 private sector projects currently being tracked and facilitated
- Need to ensure that recently launched One Stop Shop has adequate capacity and systems to actively support project developers and support from relevant departments



Required to unlock
> R200 billion sector investment to expand the grid and reduce load shedding





# Transport & Logistics: The National Logistics Crisis Committee has been established and work streams constituted

### **PROGRESS SINCE 6 JUNE**

Workstreams constituted for Operational Recovery, **Security and Procurement** 

**Corridor Recovery Teams** transitioned to NLCC

Team mobilised on N4 road corridor, focus on Lebombo border post

Procurement workshop with Transnet, NT, DTIC identified key next steps to overcome constraints

Data room established enabling independent diagnostics of operational challenges

### **Progress operationalising NLCC in partnership with business**



**4 strategic commodity export supply chains confirmed**: *Coal, Iron Ore, Manganese, Chrome/Magnetite* 





Mandated teams from Transnet, industry and NLCC secretariat jointly addressing performance constraints in regular sessions



Additional Container Corridor Recovery Team constituted with representatives from all major shipping lines, agriculture and automotive



**Appointment of international terminal operator** to partner in Durban Pier 2 container terminal

### Seven work streams identified:

- 1. Improving operational performance of freight rail network/port system
- 2. Improving road transport and border transit
- 3. Structural reform of the freight logistics system
- 4. Procurement
- 5. Financing
- 6. Security
- 7. Communications





# Transport & Logistics: Finalisation of the Freight Logistics Roadmap is pivotal in establishing a shared vision and clear targets

### **KEY CRITICAL NEXT STEPS**



- Roadmap essential to align all actors behind short and long term reform agenda, support operational recovery and private sector investment in new capacity
- OV undertaking final round of stakeholder consultations before roadmap is finalised
- Draft to be agreed post-consultation by end August 2023 for Cabinet approval by end September 2023

# Remove procurement constraints

- OCPO to implement agreed actions, inc. departure from instruction notes 2 & 3 in terms of section 79 of the PFMA by 04/08/23
- Longer-term review needed to develop fit-for-purpose procurement regime for Schedule 2 entities which operate on commercial basis – e.g., inability to procure without budget secured in advance
- Currently no mechanism to enable private sector step-in support without audit findings

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### **Constitute Structural Reform Workstream**

- Continue meaningful consultation with business to ensure alignment of expectations and urgent delivery
- Constitute Structural Reform Workstream by early August 2023
- Expedite reform agenda to leverage private sector's investment and participation through input and alignment



Required to increase export revenues by R50 billion by end of 2024





# Crime & Corruption: JICC is being operationalised – key priority is to expedite the establishment of the Investigating Directorate as a permanent entity with investigating powers

#### **PROGRESS SINCE 6 JUNE**

Security work streams in NECOM and NLCC established to protect

critical infrastructure

JICC startup meeting held, identifying roles and responsibilities Agreed to establish independent Business Against Crime South Africa

Established independent special purpose vehicle to build digital forensic capability for NPA

NPA Amendment Bill being finalised for submission to Cabinet and Parliament

### **KEY CRITICAL NEXT STEPS**

# 1. Empower the Investigating Directorate

- A key commitment in the response to the report of the State Capture Commission and critical enabler for the NPA to execute on its mandate
- Key priority is to ensure that NPA Amendment Bill is approved by Cabinet and tabled by end August 2023 and follows expedited process in Parliament

# 2. Operationalise joint delivery mechanism with senior decision makers

- Priorities to be finalised and workstreams established without delaying existing co-operation initiatives (e.g. 10111)
- Good momentum on the Justice and NPA workstream
- Alignment across government structures required to ensure all decision makers and role players are represented appropriately

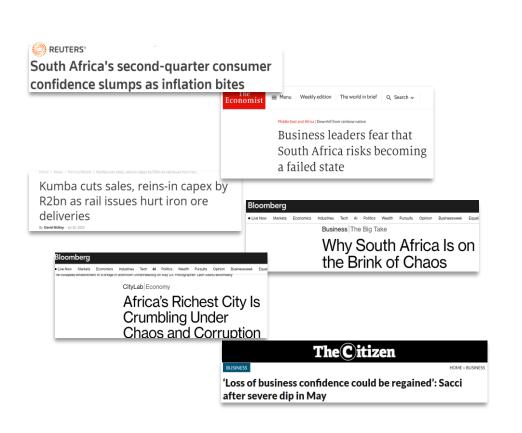


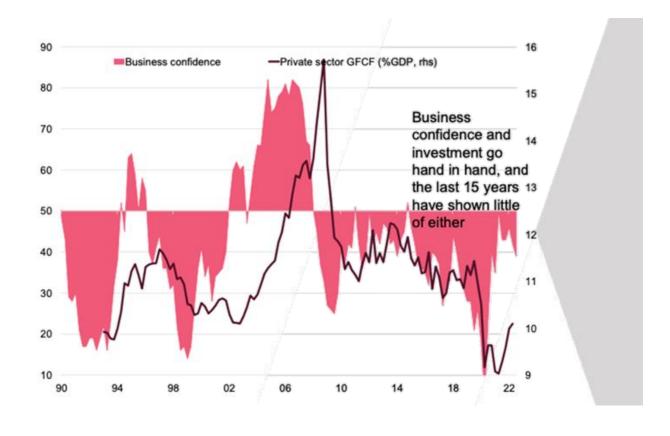
Required for increased public & investor confidence and reduced impact of criminal activity on Transnet & Eskom (losses of R4bn-R16 billion)





# A joint focal area on communications needs to be established to build confidence in SA's growth story





With confidence the lowest it has been since 2015, it is critical to develop a joint domestic and international engagement plan to build investor and public confidence







# Agree next steps on focal areas





# Regular meeting cadence is required to maintain momentum over the next 5 months

Dates illustrative

Proposed cadence	July	Α	ugu	st		S	epte	mbei	r		Oct	tobe	r		No	vem	ber		C	ece	mber
President meeting with CEOs (virtual/physical as required)  Every 6 weeks	•		•		•		<b>*</b>		•		•		<b>*</b>		•		•		<b>*</b>		•
Joint Strategic Oversight Committee (JSOC)  Every 2 weeks														4							
National Energy Crisis Committee (NECOM)  Every week		<b>A</b>		<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>	. 🛕	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>											
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# **Immediate next steps for August 2023**

	Critical next step		Detail	Responsible Department	Timeline		
	1	Promulgate Electricity Regulation Bill (ERA)	Agree expedited process to ensure passage of ERA Bill in Sixth Parliament	• DMRE	August 2023		
Energy	2	Complete establishment of the NTCSA	<ul> <li>Engage with NERSA to agree approval timeframes of remaining two licenses</li> <li>Finalise appointment of board members for NTCSA</li> </ul>	• DPE/Eskom	August 2023		
	3	Fully operationalise One Stop Shop	<ul> <li>Fully capacitate to coordinate tracking of &gt;100 private sector projects</li> </ul>	• DTIC	August 2023		
ort & ics	4	Finalise Freight Logistics Roadmap	<ul> <li>Conclude stakeholder consultation on the Freight Logistics Roadmap and submit to Cabinet for approval</li> </ul>	Operation Vulindlela	August 2023 (for approval by Cabinet in September 2023)		
Transport & Logistics	5	Address procurement constraints	<ul> <li>Approve departure in terms of s79 of the PFMA for urgent requirements</li> <li>Review procurement regime for Schedule 2 entities which operate on a commercial basis</li> <li>Establish mechanism to facilitate private sector support</li> </ul>	National Treasury	August 2023		
ne & ption	6	Empower the Investigating Directorate	<ul> <li>Table and approve the NPA Amendment Bill to establish the Investigating Directorate as a permanent entity and grant it investigating powers</li> </ul>	Department of Justice	August 2023		
Crime & Corruption	7	Operationalise joint delivery mechanism	<ul> <li>Operationalise JICC, including confirming senior decision makers to membership, finalising priorities and establishing workstreams</li> </ul>	SAPS/NPA/NATJOINTS	August 2023		
-cutting	8	Establish joint communications focal area	Establish focal area to drive effective joint media, communications and engagement strategy	• Presidency/GCIS	August 2023		
Cross	9	Establish regular cadence of key meetings	<ul> <li>Standardise meeting cadence with commitment to attendance</li> <li>Flexibility between physical and virtual meetings</li> </ul>	• Presidency	August 2023		

# **Employment research update**

1 August 2023





## **Presentation overview**

## Top constraints on growth







**Focus for today** 

### **The South African Context**



### Wider research considerations

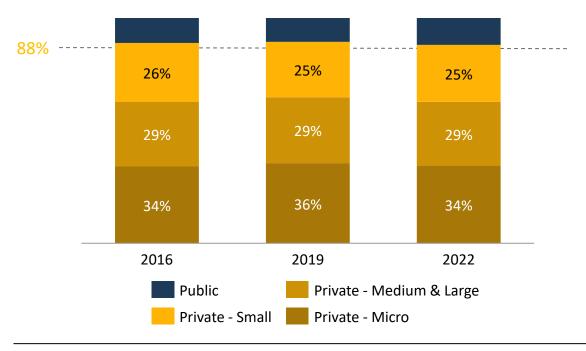
- What SMMEs need to be able to grow and create more jobs
- How the informal / township economy can be supported
- Which industries create the most jobs
- Lessons learned from international case studies

Focus for next meeting



# The private sector is the primary driver of job creation, contributing 88% of total employment in South Africa

# Percentage contribution of Private and Public sector to jobs (2016-2022, %)



### Additional investments by South African Companies in 2022

- R11 billion spent on Corporate Social Investment (CSI)
  - Main beneficiaries:
    - Education
    - Skills development
    - Youth employment
- R26 billion spent on Enterprise Supplier Development (ESD)

## Main strategies:

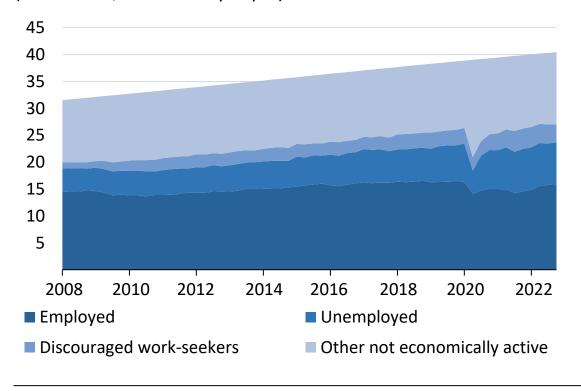
- SMMEs supply chain participation
- Jobs in local communities
- Grants and early payment of suppliers

Any meaningful job creation needs to come from the private sector



# Labour force growth has been faster than the increase in available jobs, resulting in 11.8 million unemployed adults in 2022; on current trajectory this will worsen

# Total employment status of adult population aged 15-65 (2008-2022, millions of people)



- The labour force (aged 15-65) increased from 31.5
  million in 2008 to 40.5 million in 2022, growing at a
  compound annual growth rate of 1.8%
- In contrast, total employment increased by a CAGR of 0.7%. This left a large – and growing - number of people without employment
- Total unemployment is between 7.7 million and 11.8 million depending on which definition you use
- Prospects are so poor that 3.2 million people have given up on finding a job altogether

We need to accelerate the speed of job creation or risk a further deterioration in this socio-economic challenge



# South Africa needs economic growth of 5.0% to make a meaningful impact on unemployment. This requires actions and solutions to key growth constraints

## Key growth constraints





Crime & Corruption

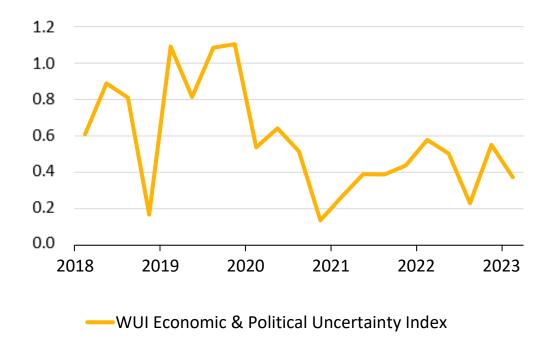
Scenario		Nedium-term omic growth (%)	Unemployme in 2030 (		
Best case		5.0	28.0		More action
Upside		3.0	31.6		required
Baseline		1.5	35.8		
Downside		0.75	38.1		
	SARB projections		Current unemplo rate <b>32.9</b> %	•	·

We will miss out on a potential 2.5 million jobs by 2030 if we do not accelerate economic growth to 5.0%



# High levels of economic and political volatility has resulted in low levels of confidence

# South Africa's Economic & Political uncertainty (2018-2023, Uncertainty index)



- Economic & political certainty in South Africa has been highly volatile since 2018
- In an uncertain environment investment decisions are likely to be deferred
- Predictability coupled with an improvement in the economic and political outlook is an essential ingredient for investment, growth, and jobs

Communicating to the country there is a plan in place to tackle the 3 major economic constraints will directly boost confidence



# Action in these areas will start to turn the tide on unemployment, but is not sufficient

- We need to address our three key constraints to avoid exacerbating our unemployment problem
- We can create **2.5 million additional jobs by 2030**, but only if we accelerate economic growth to 5.0%
- Collaboration is critical if we are going to create an environment to ensure inclusive growth and significant job creation
- Focusing on the three constraints of energy, transport & logistics, crime & corruption should meaningfully address immediate constraints and needs to be **supplemented by other long-term interventions**

Collaborative action will be required to absorb unskilled labour into the economy at scale