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### Immediate Release

The fight for ensuring that our communities are safe from contracting COVID-19 and reducing the number of infections in the country and our local town, is a mission we continuously strive for. On the 19<sup>th</sup> of April 2021, Palabora Mining Company (PMC) handed over COVID-19 Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to one of the stakeholders who are at the forefront of COVID-19 to continuously ensure that lives are spared and that the health personnel are fully protected when on duty.

The Executive Management of Maphutha Malatji hospital, in Phalaborwa received 1000 surgical gowns, 900 surgical masks, 1000 Biohazard infectious waste plastic bags, 1 900 face masks and 840 bottles of hands sanitizers from PMC. During his address, Dennis Modise, PMC Secretary said “The hard lockdown called you to sacrifice and commit to saving lives. As PMC, we appreciate your efforts and commend you for the hard work that you are doing. There are speculations that there is a possibility of a third wave and as PMC we took a decision to support you so that you continue the fight against COVID-19.”

The month of March 2021, marked exactly one year since the country recorded its first Coronavirus case. Today, our country has recorded over 1.5 Million Coronavirus cases and just over 50, 000 deaths, shining a light on the fact that we are still facing a life threatening pandemic in our lifetime. With an upbeat spirit, Rebecca Peta, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Maphutha Malatji Hospital, took to the stage and expressed her gratitude with a song, “Thank you PMC, it is because of you that COVID-19 did not hit our hospital hard and we are happy that you are taking good care of us. This donation is more than enough to keep us going and we appreciate it. We hope that we are going to move through the third wave together if it comes and we are bound to conquer as long as we stick together as a family. The attention we get from you gives us that oomph to keep going even though it is not easy,” exclaimed Peta.

The harsh realities of COVID-19 have left a devastating effect on many families since the day the pandemic hit the South African shores. Palabora Mining Company, including other businesses

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had to equally adjust and adopt to the new normal of doing things to survive. The frequent washing of hands for 20 seconds, sanitizing with a 70% alcohol-based sanitizer, correct wearing of face mask and keeping a safe distance between each person are a few messages PMC shared to prevent the scourge.

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