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COUNCIL CONGRATULATE HON. MINISTER ANGIE MOTSHEKGA FOLLOWING AWARD

Council wishes to congratulate Honourable Minister Angie Motshekga after being bestowed with the badge of "Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur" by French Ambassador David Martinon on behalf of President Emmanuel Macron. The ceremony was held at the French Embassy, in Pretoria today.

Upon bestowing the badge upon the Minister, Ambassador David Martinon said: "Minister Motshekga, your pivotal role in fostering educational cooperation between our two nations is remarkable. Your tireless efforts have strengthened the bonds of friendship between South Africa and France."

In her acceptance speech Minister Motshekga said: "To be named a Knight of the National Order Legion of Honour is not just a personal accolade but a testament to the unyielding spirit of our nation and the enduring bonds that tie South Africa and France together."

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