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## **Nonhle Mbuthuma and other members of the Amadiba community**

Dear President Ramaphosa,

I am writing you this letter because I am much concerned about the fate of Nonhle Mbuthuma and other members of the Amadiba community in the Eastern Cape Region. They are human rights activists, who peacefully oppose a mining project by Transworld Energy and Mineral Resources (TEM). Should the mine be legally permitted, that license would result in about 5000 citizens losing their livelihoods and having to give up their traditional way of living.

Regrettably, as a consequence of their protest actions, Nonhle Mbuthuma and her fellow activists have been facing threats and intimidation.

I therefore urge you to provide adequate protection measures for Nonhle Mbuthuma and all other activists who are peacefully opposing TEM's mining activities, and to please investigate any acts of intimidation. The investigation findings should be made public and anyone found responsible be brought to justice.

Please help ensure that the Amadiba community's rights to land and self-determination are protected and strengthened, and that the community is consulted on the granting of mining rights.

Yours sincerely,