

**EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF THE U.S. TRADE REPRESENTATIVE**

PUBLIC HEARING

For the

**ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE ELIGIBILITY OF THE SUB-SAHARAN AFRICAN
COUNTRIES TO RECEIVE THE 2024 BENEFITS OF THE AFRICAN GROWTH AND
OPPORTUNITY ACT (AGOA)**

**Hosted Virtually by the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative
1724 F Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.**

10:00 a.m., July 24, 2023

Program and Witness List

10:00 am Introduction and Welcome

Jeremy Streatfeild, Director for African Affairs and Chair of the AGOA Implementation Subcommittee, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative

AGOA Implementation Subcommittee representatives participating in the hearing:

- **Fred Stewart**, Director, Office of Africa, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce
- **Anna Berger**, International Relations Officer, Department of Labor
- **Deb Crane**, Director of the Office of African Nations, U.S. Treasury
- **David Henry**, Economic Bureau's Office of Bilateral Trade Affairs Deputy Director, Department of State
- **Sandile Hlatshwayo**, Ph.D., Senior Economist, Council of Economic Advisers

10:10 am Hearing Testimony and Questioning

Panel 1

- **Hon. Mursal M. Khaliff, Ph.D.**, Member of the Parliament of the Federal Republic of Somalia and former Minister of Planning and International Cooperation
- **Daniel Hagos**
- **Dr. Karl Von Batten, FRSPH**, Managing Partner, Von Batten-Montague-York, L.C.

Panel 2

- **H.E. Purmanund Jhugroo**, Ambassador, Embassy of Mauritius

- **Gregory Poole**, Special Advisor and Former Chief Supply Chain & Sourcing Officer, The Children's Place, Inc.
- **Julia K. Hughes**, President, United States Fashion Industry Association (USFIA)
- **Dr. Frannie Leautier**, Non-Resident Senior Fellow, Africa Center, Atlantic Council

Panel 3

- **Alan Winde**, Premier of the Western Cape, South Africa
- **Arrie Krüger**, Head of Marketing - Industrial Applications and Performance Solutions, Sasol Chemicals
- **Kevin Rosenbaum**, Executive Director, The International Intellectual Property Alliance (IIPA)
- **Brian Scarpelli**, Senior Global Policy Counsel, ACT | The App Association

Conclusion of Hearing