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**Subject: Letter of Support for ANSTT6 Bursary Application – Ms Khumoetsile Jonas**

Dear ANSTT6 Bursary Committee,

I am writing to strongly support the bursary application of Ms Khumoetsile Jonas, who has applied to attend and present her work at the Advanced Nuclear Science and Technology Techniques Workshop (ANSTT6).

Ms Jonas is currently a dedicated and highly motivated researcher working under my supervision. Her research focuses on the categorization and characterization of uranium-bearing materials for nuclear forensic attribution using ICP-MS. This work is both scientifically rigorous and highly relevant to the fields of nuclear safety, security, and forensic science.

Her study demonstrates a solid understanding of analytical techniques and their application in addressing real-world challenges related to nuclear material identification and security. The results she has obtained, particularly in the use of elemental and isotopic signatures for source attribution, contribute meaningfully to ongoing efforts in nuclear forensics and the development of national nuclear forensic libraries.

Attending ANSTT6 will provide Ms Jonas with an invaluable opportunity to present her findings, engage with experts in the field, and further develop her technical and professional skills. Exposure to this international platform will significantly enhance both her current research and future career trajectory in nuclear science.

Ms Jonas is a hardworking, disciplined, and promising young scientist who consistently demonstrates initiative and commitment to excellence. I have no doubt that she will represent our institution with professionalism and make meaningful contributions to the workshop.

I strongly recommend her for the ANSTT6 bursary and believe that financial support will greatly assist her in fully benefiting from this important opportunity.

Please feel free to contact me should you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Kupa', with a horizontal line underneath.

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