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## *Africa Trade and Investment Global Summit 2018*

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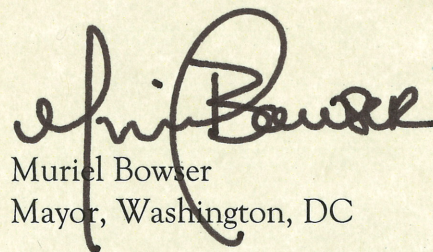
As Mayor of Washington, DC, it is my pleasure to welcome the participants of the Africa Trade and Investment Global Summit 2018 to the nation's capital.

Africa Trade and Investment Global Summit promotes and facilitates international trade between the Americas, Asia, Caribbean, European Union, United Arab Emirates with Africa, and serves as a conduit for African businesses to connect with global investors and financial providers.

This year's theme, "Driving Trade, Unleashing Investment and Enhancing Economic Development: the Gateway to African Markets," provides a unique platform for companies around the world to expand or establish business operations in Africa and gain strategic knowledge about local investment opportunities, in order to connect with businesses from Africa.

I am pleased that you have chosen Washington, DC, to host your conference and exhibition this year. While you are here, I invite you to enjoy all that our city has to offer and I encourage you to visit our museums, monuments, restaurants and our many diverse neighborhoods.

On behalf of the residents of Washington, DC, I wish you an enjoyable and successful event.

  
Muriel Bowser  
Mayor, Washington, DC

