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The CEO

Barrick Gold Co-operation's Head Office

## **TORONTO**

## SALE OF 50% SHARE ON BARRICK'S OPERATION PORGERA MINE TO ZIJIN MINING GROUP

We refer to the above.

This is addition to the letter I have sent to Barrick concerning on the sale of Barrick's 50% share/equity to Zijin Mining Company based in China.

Upon my research has revealed that Zijin Company has a terrible environment all and human rights record in China and I do not believe the company is capable of managing Porgera mine as per its record in Zijin copper mine in Shanghang in the Fujian Province of China. I believe strongly that if Zijin nominated CEO is placed in Porgera, he will change the way of conducting business here in Porgera and that will affect:

- i. The local employees where they will lose jobs for the Chinese employees;
- ii. The local business procurement process will definitely be affected;
- iii. Environment will severely be damaged;
- iv. They will not honour the MOA commitments;
- v. The resettlement project will be affected;
- vi. The FIFO agreement will be undermined which will be reviewed after three months signing the revised MOA;

vii. Etc.

We have maintained that Barrick must be a party to the revised MOA and that position still remains in order for Barrick to have social license to operate in Porgera.

We are of the view that the above issues and other issues such as current MOA review that is in progress will be affected.

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We therefore, call Barrick to immediately convene a high level delegates meeting with other stakeholders including Zijin Company executives, Minister's office, MRA, etc.) and let landowners be guaranteed that their issues will be addressed. We would also want Barrick to come up with Agreement apart from existing MOAs and agreements and will be signed between Barrick, Zijin, MRA and PLOA that will reflect that the developer that it is willing to participate to address the issues as a result of the mining activities.

Yours faithfully;

MARK TONY EKEPA

Cc: Mining Minister

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Cc: Chief Secretary Cc: Enga Governor Cc: Hon. Nixon Magape