

AHAFO SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FORUM

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Sunyani

Brong Ahafo

Ghana

25th April 2007

The Chief Executive Officer

Newmont Mining Corporation

1700 Lincoln Street

Denver, Colorado

Dear Sir

RE: PETITION TO SHAREHOLDERS OF NEWMONT

We the undersigned members of the Ahafo Social Responsibility Forum who have been mandated to represent the Ahafo Mine Community and NGGL at our meeting held at Eusbett Hotel in Sunyani on Wednesday 25th April 2007 wish to bring to the attention of the good people of Ghana and the World as follows:

- That the Forum has been deliberating on issues with the view to giving an agreement between the Community towns of the Ahafo Mine Area and Newmont Ghana Gold Ltd.
- That the agreement seeks to provide among others a clear transparent and explicit statement of the relationship between the Company and the Community.
- Broaden the space for the Community to continue to participate in the Company's decisions and plans that may affect the Community and its environs.
- Ensure the sustainable development of the Community.

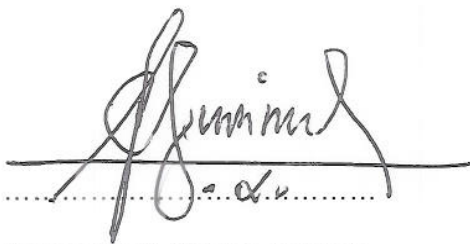
That at the said meeting our attention has been brought to a purported petition to the shareholders of Newmont meeting in Denver, USA by a group of persons identifying themselves as nationalists, students, activists of WACAM and Youth for Action Ghana, Community people from Akyem and Kenyasi.

That the said petition has been given a wide radio and newspaper coverage in Ghana and has also been posted on the Internet for Worldwide viewing.

That as the rightful representatives of the Community in which the mining operation is being carried out as Chiefs, Members of Parliament, elected representatives of the District

Assemblies, Youth, Women, Farmers and Non governmental organizations, we disassociate ourselves from the said petition and wish to state as follows:

- That it is universally accepted that mining activities impact on the people living in the mining communities
- That it is for this reason that NGGL has a clear Environmental Impact Statement and an Environmental Management Plan to mitigate issues pertaining to Environmental Impact of Mining.
- That the Forum has been set up to ensure that the Company and the Community execute their commitment to sustainable development within the Ahafo Mine community with transparency of all mining processes towards the protection of the Environment.
- That WACAM and Youth For Action Ghana are advised to identify themselves with the workings of the Forum and seek redress to any adverse findings through appropriate channels rather than resort to unsubstantiated allegations and vile propaganda through the media.
- That it is not true that the people who were demonstrating in Accra represent the views of the Community on the Newmont mining lease at Ahafo.
- That the Forum having worked with Newmont for a year now is convinced that the company means well for the Ahafo Mine Community.
- Members of the Forum will like to assure everybody including the members of the Community that there are laid down channel for grievance resolution agreed upon between the company and the Forum and those channels should be used by community members to address any concerns that they have regarding Newmont's operation in the Ahafo area.



Professor D. Mireku-Gyimah
Moderator Ahafo Social Responsibility Forum

CC: His Excellency, the President of the Republic of Ghana
Hon. Minister for Lands, Forestry and Mines
Hon. Minister for Local Government and Environment
The Executive Director EPA
WACAM
Youth For Action Ghana
FoodFirst International and Action Network (FIAN)
Regional Coordinating Council, Sunyani