



CHAMBER OF MINES
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MEDIA STATEMENT

CHAMBER OF MINES CONFIRM RECEIPT OF MEMORANDUM

Johannesburg, 6 June 2017: The Chamber of Mines confirms receipt of a memorandum presented to the Chamber by the Greater Local Mining Communities Business Forum (GLMCBF) today.

The Chamber recognises that achieving and maintaining a social licence to operate is a key imperative for mining companies all of the world.

Mining companies are spending approximately R2 billion per year on the development of mine communities through their Social and Labour Plans (SLPs) and other resources, such as technical skills secondments to municipalities, skills training of communities and general Corporate Social Investment (CSI) expenditure. These initiatives are having a real and positive impact on local communities.

Having said that, mining companies cannot resolve all social delivery issues on their own. The industry, its regulator, community leaders and local municipalities all need to find ways of addressing these challenges in consultation with each other. What is called for is better consultation, collaboration and delivery by all parties including local and provincial government.

The Chamber will review and respond to the memorandum in due course.

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