

MEDIA STATEMENT

In response to queries:

ZWANE TALKS OFFER

Johannesburg, 23 June 2017 – The Chamber of Mines notes a report that Minister Mosebenzi Zwane has expressed a willingness to meet the industry to discuss the Mining Charter.

If the report is accurate, the Chamber is perplexed that this offer has arisen now, more than a week after the publication of a charter that was based on a bad faith process. We cannot see that the Minister's comments form the basis for a mutually acceptable resolution of this matter.

We certainly object to his reported comment that our intended application for an interdict against the DMR charter is bad faith negotiation. For the industry, this is a last resort and a consequence of the absence of good faith negotiations on the part of the Minister and the DMR.

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