

Media Release

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Holding Statement

The agreement reached between Lonmin and The Alternative Information and Development Centre (AIDC) which was made an order of court earlier this week prevented AIDC holding a press conference relating to information which is currently sub judice at the Farlam Commission of Inquiry as well as the publication and or release of this information. Lonmin's view is that the work of the Commission should not be undermined by third parties who seek to present their own findings prior to the Commission doing so.

The agreed order of court provides also that the AIDC is required to give Lonmin advance notice of any future intention to hold a similar press conference or to release a similar report, and the matter will be required to be argued in court prior to any such conference being held or report being released. AIDC also undertook not to issue statements that might be defamatory to Lonmin in the interim.

The recent allegations made by AIDC and a Mail and Guardian story about Lonmin's historic tax affairs, are false and misleading. Lonmin pays tax fully and properly in all jurisdictions, in which it operates. In the interests of transparency we refer to the detailed answers we have given to all questions posed to us on these matters on our website today:

http://www.lonmin.com/downloads/QA_Allegations_of_Tax_Evasion_Lonmin_Plc_101014_FINAL_3.pdf.

These facts clearly demonstrate that Lonmin's tax affairs during the period in question were entirely legal and in no way unusual.

Lonmin has taken a stance that we would not respond publicly to the allegations out of respect for the Commission and its mandate. We have stuck to this principle even when some of these reports were damaging to our reputation.

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Notes to editors

Lonmin, which is listed on both the London Stock Exchange and the Johannesburg Stock Exchange, is one of the world's largest primary producers of PGMs. These metals are essential for many industrial applications, especially catalytic converters for internal combustion engine emissions, as well as their widespread use in jewellery.

Lonmin's operations are situated in the Bushveld Complex in South Africa, where nearly 80% of known global PGM resources are found.

The Company creates value for shareholders through mining, refining and marketing PGMs and has a vertically integrated operational structure - from mine to market. Lonmin's mining operations extract ore from which the Process Division produces refined PGMs for delivery to customers. Underpinning the operations is the Shared Services function which provides high quality levels of support and infrastructure across the operations.

For further information please visit our website: <http://www.lonmin.com>