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LONMIN PROVIDES UPDATE ON DISAPPOINTING ENGAGEMENT WITH BAPONG PROTESTORS

Johannesburg, 14 May, 2017: On Thursday 11 May 2017, Lonmin met with representatives of both the Bapo ba Mogale Traditional Council and the Unemployed Youth grouping who have been protesting outside the company's E2 and E3 shafts since 2 May 2017.

In advance of the meeting, Lonmin had engaged with some of its contractors, both to provide an update on the current situation and to request their support in developing enhanced community recruitment opportunities from their work for Lonmin. The Bapo ba Mogale Traditional Council was advised of the positive outcomes of this meeting, and invited to participate in future engagements.

Agreement was reached with the Bapo ba Mogale Traditional Council late on Thursday that they would appeal to the protestors to stop protesting and to start working with Lonmin on a process of engagement. A formal agreement was due to be signed by both parties on Friday morning. It is most disappointing, however, that at midday on Friday Lonmin was informed that the community representatives would not be signing the agreement until their demands for jobs had been met, and that they would be continuing their protest.

The company has again been asked to retract the interdict currently in place, which it cannot responsibly do. This is because the safety and security of employees and community members, is of the utmost importance; and because it must protect the assets of the company, the community and the public.

Lonmin had intended re-opening its E2 and E3 shaft operations today. However, the company has decided to keep the operations closed until it is satisfied that it is safe for employees to return to work at these two shafts.

The company has lost approximately 5,830 platinum ounces in production, amounting to approximately R56 million, in the past 10 days since the protest began on 02 May

Lonmin remains committed to engaging with all stakeholders in the community, and appeals to the traditional council and community members to return to discussions so that practical and achievable solutions to the current impasse may be found. Further, Lonmin appeals to the protestors not to engage in acts of violence or destruction, and to desist from threatening or intimidating employees and others.

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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.

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