

JOINT STATEMENT
Tripartite Council, Khanbogd soum

Khanbogd soum
Umnugobi aimag

Community Interaction Center
June 6, 2016

Khanbogd soum Tripartite Council regular meeting was held at the Community Interaction Center on June 6, 2016. The meeting was attended by representatives of Khanbogd soum government, herders, Oyu Tolgoi LLC and facilitators from Compliance Advisory Office/Ombudsman (CAO), with General Managers Environment and Community, OT and some Khanbogd herders as observers.

During the meeting, the Head of Council was newly appointed in accordance with the Council Charter, with the head of the representatives agreeing to hold the position in rotation annually. With respect to this, all members of the Council expressed gratitude to the first Head of Council L.Battsengel who successfully performed the role for the past year since the establishment of the Council in June 2015. O.Tserennadmid, Head of the OT representatives, has been appointed as the Council Head for the next year. With the addition of Myagmar as representative of herders from Nomgon bagh, Khanbogd soum, the herders' representation now has 6 members.

The socio-economic study among Khanbogd herder households and the Undai River diversion indirect impacts Phase 2 Study have been conducted since February 2016. The meeting reviewed and commented on the second progress report of the ongoing study by the Multi-Disciplinary Team and the Independent Experts Panel.

Two extended sessions on Gunii Khooloi boreholes' issues were held by the Council last May, and attended by Khanbogd herders and other parties. This time, the Council's regular meeting discussed the herders' proposals, in particular the backfilling of a leaky borehole in Gunii Khooloi in 2016. Furthermore, a working group was established to select boreholes among Gunii Khooloi exploration boreholes for operation of pasture water supply purposes and agreed to set out a work plan.