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**IFC Management's Response to the CAO Assessment Report on the Lonmin Plc Project
(#24803) in South Africa**

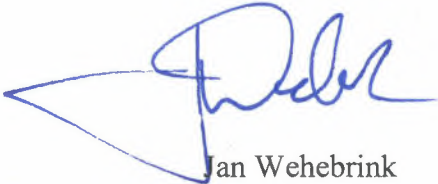
Dear Mr. Gratacós:

IFC would like to thank the CAO for the assessment report regarding the Lonmin Plc Project in South Africa.

We are pleased to know that Sikhala Sonke and Lonmin Plc have agreed to work with your team to try to resolve these issues through a collaborative approach under the voluntary dispute resolution process.

IFC supports the CAO mediation process and the IFC project team will continue to cooperate and provide information as needed.

Sincerely,



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