

The State Director, Department of Security Service Niger State, Nigeria

Sir,

LETTER OF DISCLAMER

It has came to our attention that some unscrupulous elements suspected to be business competitors in the Mining Industry here in Niger State, peddling rumors around by concocting damaging story against our company and its directors with the aim to nip in the bud the anticipated business relationship between our Company and the Niger State Government under Public Private Partnership.

To our greatest dismay, some contacts to our Company started receiving phone calls from unidentified people presented themselves as bloggers and press men putting question to them on the damaging rumor trending around against us and asking them to confirm the story.

To set the record straight, we have never supported any terrorist group, either directly by ourselves or through any proxy. The allegation is unfunded and baseless, cooked to tarnish our heard earned reputation. We are a known player in the mining industry, this can be verified at the Mine Inspectorate Department, Niger State or at the Headquarters, Abuja.

Recall, we wrote to your office through our sister company (Essoterra Investment Ltd) when we mobilized to one of our sites at Shiroro LGA. Also had cause to informed you when we closed operation due to incessant security threat at Shiroro LGA sometime in the year 2022. By this letter we are reiterating our commitment to give support to state actors and share useful intelligence information at our disposal within and around our mining operation sites. Thank you.

Much Obliged.

Yours Faithfully

Company Secretary

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