FW: IRMA audit at Anglo Platinum Mogalakwena (ERM CVS, an IRMA-approved certification body, will carry out an on-site assessment from

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you from the Bench Marks Foundation regarding the ongoing IRMA audit at Mogalakwena Mine.

We have learned from your website recently that you have put out information on the 27th of October 2023 for stakeholders, community members, workers, and other affected or interested parties to partake in the audit you are carrying out of Mogalakwena mine. Your time frame was between 28 November - 5 December 2023, unfortunately, this message has not reached the affected communities. I have copied in this email community organizations, and leaders from communities directly affected by Mogalakwena mine.

Whilst we note that we are responding to this notice late one would argue that this was not widely circulated. The Mogalakwena region is beset with poor socio-economic conditions, with high levels of poverty and a higher percentage of people who cannot read and write. This is a region with a high percentage of unemployment.

 The challenges raised above suggest a different approach to IRMA audit. This audit should provide a fair chance to the affected members of the community. The community would have better received oral notice via available formal mediums, like radio, etc.

We are noting that your process has now gone past the Draft audit report, we hope that you will consider interviewing these parties who live in the community.

Lastly, I have attached amongst others Resettlement guidelines, and some the important communications to Anglo with issues concerning the Mogalakwena mine project, they range from,1) low appetite to engage the community, 2) lack of transparency about the impending Skimming relocations and disregarding of relocation guidelines,3) disregard of the Global Industry standard on Tailings Management (GISTM)on the Blinks water tailing facility.

regards