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## **MINING OPERATIONS RESUME AT KAINANTU GOLD MINE**

Mining operations at the Kainantu gold mine resumed on Saturday morning 15<sup>th</sup> April. Mining was suspended on Wednesday due to security threats.

The Government has advised the Company and the claimants that it will reconvene the Lands Title Commission (LTC) shortly with the intention of completing the process over the next 6-months.

Mr Holzberger, Managing Director, said that the Company believes this action by the Government reduced the security threat by the Barola Kafe's and other land claimants. He also thanked the Government for its prompt response in attending to the resumption of the LTC.

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