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Barrick accepts Canadian National Contact Point recommendations on Porgera Joint Venture

Barrick Gold Corporation accepts the recommendations in the final statement of the Canadian National Contact Point (NCP) concerning the Porgera Joint Venture (PJV) mine in Papua New Guinea.

The NCP promotes the Organisation of Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, and helps resolve issues that arise relating to the implementation of the guidelines.

The NCP facilitated a mediation process to help resolve issues raised by two community groups in 2011 concerning the Guidelines and the Porgera mine. (Barrick holds a 95 percent interest in the mine.) The company remains committed to resolving these issues constructively and welcomes the opportunity to build on the mediation process through regular meetings and discussions in Papua New Guinea with the concerned parties, as per the NCP's recommendations.

Barrick would like to thank the good offices of the NCP. The company will continue to make use of local mechanisms, including the OECD Guidelines, to ensure transparency and to resolve issues as they arise in good faith.