

Dear Mr. Denton,

We refer to your emails dated 8 and 11 August 2025 in which you outline the intent of your proposed story. The intent of your email, however, is unclear; beyond providing prior notice to Barrick Mining Corporation (Barrick), you have neither provided a draft of the story for review, nor any specific information for Barrick to make any informed comment.

Barrick, and North Mara Gold Mine Limited which operates North Mara Gold Mine, have been responding to these allegations for a number of years. Most notably, we published a detailed disclosure to the [UN Human Rights Commission](#) and include information in both our [Sustainability Report](#) and on our [North Mara Microsite](#). Without repeating these disclosures, we wanted to highlight several points based on the general content of your email.

As you rightly state, all allegations are against the actions of the Tanzanian Police Force, and do not involve Barrick, North Mara Gold Mine Limited, or any security contractors. The Tanzanian Police Force is legally tasked with the duty of protecting life and properties throughout the country, by virtue of the Police Force and Auxiliary Services Act, 2022. This responsibility applies to the entirety of Tanzania, including the Mara Region where North Mara Gold Mine is located. Thus, contrary to the implication in your email, the Police are **not** 'dedicated to security around the mine' or for the mine: the police are present to provide security in the broader community. As the Police is an institution of the state and operates in complete independence, Barrick cannot control, direct or supervise the actions of the Police, or any government institution for that matter. Any implication that the Police are for the sole discretion or protection of the mine, or the mine has any link to any actions of the Police, is false and not grounded in reality.

Barrick takes all human rights allegations seriously, and notes that you claim to have 'new' allegations, without sharing any detail. Barrick would urge you to share this information urgently so that we can investigate accordingly and/or provide to the appropriate authorities for investigation and action. We would also strongly urge you to provide such information to the Tanzanian Commission on Human Rights and Good Governance (CHRAGG): the appropriate authority in place to deal with such matters. It must be noted that prior allegations raised by international NGOs have lacked any supporting information and have not been corroborated by local stakeholders. Despite this, these allegations were shared by Barrick to the [CHRAGG who duly investigated the allegations and determined](#) *'there were no human rights violations ... and noted the significant efforts by the mine to prevent security related incidents...'*.

Your email makes the unsubstantiated claim that the government is enriching itself, and using gold profits to 'fund repression', through the Twiga Partnership. Twiga Minerals is the Joint Venture between Barrick and the Government of Tanzania that establishes the economic split between Barrick and Tanzanian stakeholders. State shareholding in the extractives industry is not unique to Tanzania and is a model successfully implemented in many countries across the globe that seeks to ensure the value creation from national resources are shared with host countries. Any evidence that these funds are being used by the state to enrich itself illegitimately should be shared with the appropriate bodies as a priority. Barrick hosts continuous engagements with its host communities, including quarterly meetings between Barrick executives and the Village Chairpersons, chaired by our CEO and President, and no concerns of government oppression, or repression, have been raised. To the contrary, these engagements are open and transparent, with the agenda set by the Village Chairpersons.

It is with disappointment to learn of your visit to 'communities in North Mara' and intent to include Barrick and North Mara Gold Mine within your story, yet did not reach out to Barrick or the mine as part of your visit or story preparation. We also note that your story is due for imminent publication prior to any email



sent to Barrick. In light of this, it brings into question the extent of consideration this response will receive for any fair and factual reporting.

That said, we value transparency and would like to request a copy of the draft story, along with any allegations, for appropriate review, comment and investigation. We would also request that this response is published in full, with any story publication. We will similarly publish this engagement on our website.

Kind regards

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