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Dear Mr Biggs,

As noted in my previous letter of the 12 May 2009, the tin industry, led by relevant ITRI smelter members, has been developing a three phase approach to due diligence relevant to the cassiterite trade in the DRC. The first document regarding the ITRI Tin Supply Chain Initiative 'iTSCi' is now complete and I enclose a copy in both english and french for your information.

This document is a discussion paper and we are aware that many aspects of the initiative require further development. We intend to analyse and consider any feedback that is received by 30 June 2009.

We are keen to obtain the advice and support of the UN Group of Experts on this matter and therefore hope that engagement with the Group will be possible before the end of June. As previously mentioned, we would welcome specific guidance on, and possible subsequent endorsement of our plans in order for trade to continue whilst the improved due diligence methods outlined in Phase 1 of the discussion paper are implemented.

You will find in Appendix 1 a list of relevant smelters and traders who intend to participate in the initiative. While the Group of Experts may wish to retain contact with those companies on an individual basis on certain matters, the future due diligence plans of all those named in the Appendix are described in this discussion paper for which ITRI should be considered the main contact point.

I would be happy to meet with relevant UN representatives in order to discuss the iTSCi project further and perhaps you can let me know if such a meeting can be organised.

Please could you forward a copy of this information to Mr Baki Ilkin and his 2 vice-chairs.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kay Nimmo', is written over a light pink rectangular background.

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