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Subject: Notification that Artisanal and Small-scale Gold Mining and Processing is more than Insignificant within the Philippines

Dear Sir/Madam:

The Philippines hereby notifies the Secretariat of the Minamata Convention on Mercury that artisanal and small-scale gold mining and processing in which mercury amalgamation is used to extract gold from ore is more than insignificant within its territory.

Very truly yours,


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