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**29 March 2020**

**MEMORANDUM 6/03/2020**

**TO :** ALL MINERS

**FROM:** ZMF SECRETARIAT

**REF: THE NATIONAL 21 DAYS LOCKDOWN REPRIEVE APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

**The above matter refers;**

Reference is made to an application that had been made by the President of The Zimbabwe Miners Federation to The Minister of Mines and Mining Development Honourable Winston Chitando that miners get reprieve and get waiver as a critical sector to continue operations during the National 21 Days Lockdown in terms of Statutory Instrument 83 of 2020 Public Health (Covid-19 Prevention, Containment and Treatment) (National Lockdown) Order ,2020. Mining is an essential service whose operations **require continuous processes may operate with the minimum staff required for the care and maintenances of its operations as stipulated in the SI**

The application was successful and The Minister has thus responded by giving a press statement dated 29 March 2020(*see attached*)

**Part of the Minister's Press Statement as quoted**

*"Mining operations which face implementation challenges are requested to apply for partial exemption to the Ministry of Mines and Mining Development through the Chamber of Mines and Zimbabwe Miners Federation. The applications should indicate clearly the nature and modus of operation during the lockdown period and the measures which will be taken to safeguard employees and other stakeholders from the potential spread of the COVID-19 virus. Once the application is lodged with the Chamber of Mines or Zimbabwe Miners Federation, the mining company in question may be allowed to continue operating pending a response from Government. "*

Any miner/company therefore willing to continue with operations during this 21 Days lockdown is expected to do a letter from your company addressed to ;

The Chief Executive Officer  
Zimbabwe Miners Federation  
No 80 Mutare Road  
SWK House  
Msasa  
Harare

Email: zimbabweminersfederation@gmail.com

**The application should give un undertaking as to ;**

1. What steps you will be taking to ensure that you comply or observe the fight against Coronavirus and the guidelines given by Government.
2. An overview of your operations
3. When you started operation
4. Deliveries to FPR last 12 months
5. Employment profile
6. Location
7. Nearest Police station
8. Distance of mine from houses
9. Use of public road to work
10. State whether underground or open cast mining operations
11. Attach ZMF Membership number

Kind Regards



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**FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE ZIMBABWE MINERS FEDERATION**