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Dear Special Procedure Mandate Holders,

I refer to your Joint Communication dated 17 April 2024 [Ref: AL SGP 1/2024]. This letter provides more information on the registration status of Trafigura Pte. Ltd. (“Trafigura”) and to clarify that the Singapore Government is not involved in any discussion regarding the terms of Trafigura’s investments in Atico Mining Corporation and Adventus Mining Corporation.

Registration status of Trafigura

2 All companies in Singapore that wish to carry out an activity on a continual basis for the purpose of profit must register with the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority (ACRA). Based on publicly available information on ACRA, Trafigura is a “live” private company limited by shares that has been

incorporated since 1996.¹ Our records show that Trafigura has been compliant with the ACRA-stipulated requirements, including filing their financial statements, annual reports, conducting their Annual General Meetings (AGMs), and updating their shareholders.

Non-involvement in commercial decisions

3 Although Trafigura is a Singapore-incorporated company, the Singapore Government is not involved in the activities of Trafigura or privy to the discussions regarding the terms of its investments in Atico Mining Corporation and Adventus Mining Corporation.

Singapore is committed to upholding our international obligations

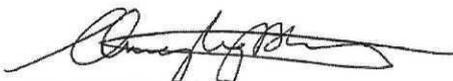
4 Singapore takes our international obligations seriously. We ensure that our laws and policies are consistent with such obligations, including those under relevant human rights instruments. The rule of law, integrity and transparency are key tenets of our governance.

5 The Singapore Government expects all Singapore companies to have responsible business practices and to comply fully with the laws of Singapore as well as the laws of the jurisdictions in which they operate. We will take appropriate action should such companies commit breaches under our laws. Singapore continually assesses how we may strengthen our framework of corporate governance, in the light of best practices and our national context.

Conclusion

6 I hope the above enhances your understanding of the facts involving Trafigura's investment in Atico Mining Corporation and Adventus Mining Corporation, and Singapore's position on the matter. I look forward to engaging constructively with you in areas of mutual collaboration.

Yours sincerely,



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Ambassador and Permanent Representative

¹ A company with a "live" status indicates that it is currently in existence in ACRA's records and is legally registered to operate in Singapore. The business information of entities registered with ACRA is publicly available at: <https://www.bizfile.gov.sg/>.