

Besra suspends operations in Vietnam

Toronto, Canada: 22 July 2014 - Besra (TSX: BEZ) (ASX: BEZ) (Frankfurt: OP6) announces that it has suspended operations at its Bong Mieu site in central Vietnam from 18 July 2014 and will likewise suspend operations at its nearby Phuoc Son site on 22 July 2014 as a direct result of coercive measures taken by the provincial Quang Nam Tax Department.

Besra CEO John Seton said, "This unfortunate event is a direct result of intimidatory measures applied by the Quang Nam Tax Department which mean that we can not and will not continue to operate. The Quang Nam Tax Department's actions appear to be the only case of such measures being applied in all of Vietnam, are in our view illegal, and fly in the face of every stated objective of the Government of Vietnam towards foreign investment."

Notwithstanding this very unfortunate set of circumstances, Besra continues to seek a lifting of the coercive measures as soon as possible. The Company has received support from both provincial and national governments that want Bong Mieu and Phuoc Son to operate. As the national General Department of Taxation has yesterday written to its provincial counterpart suggesting urgent support for the Company, we expect this situation could be resolved shortly. Activity at both sites will resume once Besra is able to operate freely without coercion.

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Besra is a diversified gold mining company focused on the exploration, development and mining of mineral properties in South East Asia. The Company has four key properties; the Bau Goldfield in East Malaysia, Bong Mieu and Phuoc Son in Central Vietnam, and Capcapo in the Philippines. Besra expects to expand existing gold capacity in Vietnam over the next two years and is projecting new production capacity from the Bau gold project during 2016.

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