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PRESS RELEASE

GOVERNMENT DIRECTIVE ON IMPORTATION OF EXCAVATORS

The Government of Ghana, through the Ministry of Transport, wishes to announce for the attention of Dealers, Importers of excavators, and the General Public that, with immediate effect, the importation of excavators into the country is prohibited.

This forms part of Government's renewed efforts to clamp down on illegal mining and protect the country's water bodies. A new Policy, "No Permit, No Excavator," is now in full effect. Government therefore directs that henceforth.

- i. All Shipping Lines should desist from transporting excavators into the country without the required permit.
- ii. Dealers and Importers of excavators are to obtain a permit from the Ministry of Transport prior to importation.

Dealers and Importers of excavators, as well as the General Public, are advised to take note for strict compliance.

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