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MINISTRY OF TRADE, AGRIBUSINESS AND INDUSTRY

National Focal Point — ECOWAS Regional Competition Authority

PUBLIC NOTICE

INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS — PROPOSED ACQUISITION NOTIFIED TO ERCA

Acquisition of Allied Gold Corporation by Zijin Gold International Company Limited

1. The Proposed Transaction

The Ministry of Trade, Agribusiness and Industry (MOTAI), as the National Focal Point for ECOWAS competition matters in Ghana, notifies the public that the ECOWAS Regional Competition Authority (ERCA) has received a merger notification under which Zijin Gold International Company Limited (the "Acquirer") proposes to acquire one hundred per cent (100%) of the issued shares of Allied Gold Corporation (the "Target"), thereby obtaining sole control over the Target and its subsidiaries. The transaction is implemented pursuant to an Arrangement Agreement dated 26 January 2026. Upon completion, the Acquirer will hold the entirety of the issued share capital and voting rights in the relevant target entities.

2. Parties to the Transaction

Acquirer — Zijin Gold International Company Limited: a publicly listed company on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong, ultimately controlled by Zijin Mining Group Company Limited (the "Zijin Group"). Within the ECOWAS Community Market, the Acquirer operates through Zijin Golden Ridge Limited (formerly Newmont Golden Ridge Limited), incorporated in Ghana, which holds a 100% interest in the Akyem Gold Mine.

Target — Allied Gold Corporation: a public company incorporated under the laws of Ontario (Canada) and listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange, owned by its board of directors and Helikon Investments Limited. Within the Community Market, the Target operates through subsidiaries incorporated in Côte d'Ivoire — Bonikro Gold Mine SA, Afrique Gold Exploration SARL, Hire Gold Mine SA, and Agbaou Gold Operations SA — which operate mining and processing infrastructure.

3. Legal Basis

The notification to ERCA and this publication are made pursuant to Supplementary Act A/SA.1/12/08 (Community Competition Rules, Article 3(f)); Regulation C/REG.23/12/21 (Rules of Procedure for Mergers and Acquisitions, Article 2(1)(a)); Regulation C/REG.24/12/21 (ERCA Rules of Procedure, Article 10(4)); Enabling Rules PC/REX.1/01/24 (thresholds); and Article 44(2)(a)(iv) of the ERCA Manual of Investigation and Notification Procedures.

4. Relevance to the Republic of Ghana

Ghana is a concerned ECOWAS Member State for the purposes of this notification by virtue of the Acquirer's existing operations within the country. Comments from interested parties in Ghana on any aspect of the proposed transaction are accordingly invited.

5. Invitation for Comments and How to Submit

Businesses, competitors, suppliers, customers, workers' representatives, consumer associations, civil society organisations, and the general public are invited to submit written comments, supported where possible by documentation, data, or analysis. Comments may be submitted through any of the following channels:

- **MOTAI (National Focal Point):** by email to the Ministry of Trade, Agribusiness and Industry, by email to moticheif@moti.gov.gh or through the Business Consultations Portal
- **ERCA (directly):** by post to ECOWAS Regional Competition Authority, Bertil Harding, Bijilo, The Gambia, P.O. Box 4470; or by email to registry@erca-arcc.org.

6. Deadline for Comments

Comments must be received not later than **13th June 2026**, being thirty (30) calendar days from the date of publication of this Notice. Late submissions may not be considered.

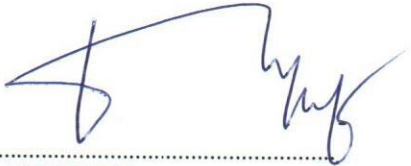
7. Confidentiality, Status of this Notice, and Contact

Respondents should indicate clearly any information they consider commercially sensitive or confidential, and are encouraged to provide a non-confidential version suitable for the public record. All submissions will be handled in accordance with applicable confidentiality and data protection rules.

This Notice is published solely to solicit comments and does not constitute approval, endorsement, or pre-judgment of the proposed transaction; the final decision rests with the ERCA Council.

Enquiries: registry@erca-arcc.org.

ISSUED THIS 12 DAY OF MAY, 2026.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Noah Tumfo', is written over a horizontal dotted line.

NOAH TUMFO
CHIEF DIRECTOR