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# ZIMPLATS INDIGENISATION UPDATE

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Bob Gilmour +27 11 731 9013/43 +27 82 453 7100 Impala Platinum Holdings Ltd (Implats) announces further clarification of the agreement reached with the Government of Zimbabwe on 13 March 2012. The Government has agreed in principle that the plan presented is compliant with the law and is acceptable. No agreement was reached on timing nor valuation other than that the shares sales would be at appropriate value. The proposals made by Implats to the Government in this regard are:-

- 10% of Zimplats will be issued to the Community Trust at the independent valuation previously submitted to the Government. Zimplats Holdings will provide an interest free loan to the Community Trust to fund the shares and the loan will be repaid from dividends. This stake would be non-contributory.
- 10% of Zimplats will be sold to an employee share ownership trust for the benefit of all full time employees of Zimplats. The shares will be sold at the same independent valuation and Zimplats Holdings will provide an interestbearing loan to the Employee Trust to fund the purchase of the shares. The loan will be repaid from dividends and will be contributory or dilutive.

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	It has also been agreed that Zimplats and the Government of
	Zimbabwe will explore fair value compensation in lieu of
	empowerment credits for the ground released under the
	agreement of 24 May 2006. It was proposed to Government that
	on receipt of this compensation, Zimplats Holdings will make
	available for sale to the National Indigenisation and Economic
Queries:	Empowerment Fund (NIEEF) a 31% fully contributory stake
	in Zimplats for cash at an independently determined fair value at
Bob Gilmour	the time. Future expansion opportunities will therefore not be
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+27 82 453 7100	David Brown said, "The discussions were cordial and we have
	reiterated Zimplats' determination to comply with the laws of
	Zimbabwe. I believe we have found common ground and that we
	have a workable solution as the Government understands that
	recognition of appropriate value is essential. We will set up the
	technical committees to start the discussions in due course."
Website:	Upon the execution of these initiatives, Zimplats will have met all of
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	requirements.
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