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UNEP CHEMICALS BRANCH DTIE,
11-13, CHEMIN DES ANEMONES,
CH-1219 CHATELAINE,
GENEVA,
SWITZERLAND.

RE: APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN UNEP GLOBAL MERCURY PARTNERSHIP

Reference is made to the heading above.

Tanzania Youth with New Hope in Life Organization (TAYONEHO) is a registered National Non Governmental Organization (NGO) based in Mwanza and Geita, Tanzania. TAYONEHO was established in 2013. The thematic areas of the organization are Environmental Education, Youth Employment, Women Empowerment and Small Scale Mining Advocacy Services. TAYONEHO has a regional office in Geita region. Geita is among the regions in Tanzania with approximately 300,000 small scale gold miners in Nyarugusu, Katoro, Kakora, Matabe, Mgusu and Bukombe. Its host one of the biggest Gold Mining Company named Anglo Gold Ashanti (Geita Gold Mine).
We have honor to apply for membership of UNEP Global Mercury Partnership in areas of artisanal and small scale gold mining, mercury in products and mercury waste management.

We hope that this partnership will serve as an opportunity to advocate the health hazards of mercury to small scale gold miners in Geita region and propose alternative methods of harvesting gold from its ores. The gold processing sites receive mercury from black markets and 1 kg of mercury is sold for a price of 200-220 USD.

We clearly understand that this effort is demanding and time consuming and hence we real need local and international expertise to address the challenge. We plan to share with the government the international experience we are going to gain in the Tanzania National Action Plan to eliminate the use of mercury in mining areas.

In the partnership we expect to grow our advocacy efforts, exchange local experience and get opportunity in international panels to address mercury challenges. We have attached the form for UNEP global mercury partnership for your review.

We hope that the application will be considered positively.

Alpha Ntayomba

For: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

GEITA

TANZANIA
# UNEP Global Mercury Partnership

**Information on Becoming a Partner**

**Partnership Area**

Please check the partnership areas to which your organization intends to contribute to:

- ☑ artisanal and small scale gold mining
- ☐ mercury cell chlor alkali production
- ☐ mercury air transport and fate research
- ☑ mercury in products
- ☐ mercury releases from coal combustion
- ☑ mercury waste management
- ☐ mercury supply and storage mercury supply and storage
- ☐ mercury releases from the cement industry

Please indicate in your support letter how your organization intends to contribute to each of the indicated partnership areas.

**Organization Name**

**TANZANIA YOUTH WITH NEW HOPE IN LIFE**

**Name, Functional Title of Representative**

**ALPHA NTAYOMBA - PROGRAM OFFICER**

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**Type of Organization**

- ☐ Government
- ☐ Regional economic integration organization
- ☑ Non-government Organization
- ☐ Industry
- ☐ Scientific community
- ☐ Other, please specify:

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*UNEP Global Mercury Partnership Registration Forms are to be accompanied by a letter to UNEP signifying support for the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership and commitment to achieving the partnership goal. The support letter should specify how the organization intends to contribute to meeting the goal of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership.*