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Madam/Mister

NGO ASERNI represented by Mr. Mamoudou Bagayogo, I come to subject our will to you to tied a real partnership with your Organization

Our NGO, ASERNI is very often elected to lead environmental and socio - economic studies on behalf of the mining companies such as SEMOS - SA, Yatéla, Morila SA, Tamico and Nevsun Resources and so on...

In Mali, gold washing has been done without any use of mercury.

However ,during one of our missions for an Environmental and Social Impact Assessment study, on behalf of the gold Mining project of Goukoto, in the area of Kayes, Kéniéba's prefecture, commune of kéniéba, we noticed that the gold washers of the bordering villages of the Falémé river start to use the mercury.

Séguélani, Torondilinto and Bantakoto are these villages.

The use of mercury was imported from Ghana by the gold washers of this country who settled in Kéniéba.

This system of gold exploitation is likely to gain all the extent of Malian's territory and one can deduct placers (sites of gold washing) and thousands of people.

That's why we intend to undertake a large program of sensitizing against this practice so that it cannot be propagated everywhere through the country.

Because mercury is a real danger for environment and human well being (health).

We hope an enthusiastic collaboration with the PNUE

Warm regards,

Mamoudou BAGAYOGO

**Program Officer**

## UNEP GLOBAL MERCURY PARTNERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM \*

<b>Partnership Area</b>	Please check partnership areas that your organization intends to contribute to:  <input type="checkbox"/> <b>artisanal and small scale gold mining</b>  Please indicate in your support letter how your organization intends to contribute to each of the indicated partnership areas.
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