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Citigroup's relationship with Nussir ASA and Sámi indigenous rights in Norway

Dear Madam

We are writing to express our concern about Nussir ASA, which plans to launch a copper mine in the Sámi area Repparfjord in Finnmark County in Norway. We are aware that Citigroup, through "Citibank, N.a. S/a Fidelity Canada", controls 6.07 per cent of the shares in Nussir ASA. We ask Citigroup to withdraw its investment in Nussir ASA, or to inform the beneficial owners of the content of this letter and to encourage them to withdraw their investment.

The Sámi Parliament (Sámediggi) in Norway is the elected national assembly for the Sámi indigenous people in Norway. The purpose of the Sámediggi is to strengthen the Sámi's political position and promote Sámi rights and interests in Norway.

It is the assessment of the Sámediggi that Nussir's plans will have an adverse impact on traditional Sámi land and sea areas. The plans further infringe Sámi indigenous rights, as defined by the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) Article 27 and ILO Convention no. 169 (ILO169) Article 6, 7 and 15. In addition, the plans also infringe on the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP), in particular article 3, and 32 no. 2. We also refer to the UN Global Compact's business reference guide for UNDRIP, the IFC Performance Standard 7 and the Equator principles which your company has signed. We cannot see that the plans for the copper mine in Repparfjord are in accordance with Citigroup's Environmental and Social Risk Policy Framework.

The Sámediggi adopted the following resolution on the mine plans on 3 March 2016:

The Sámediggi notes that the overall negative consequences are so huge for fishing, reindeer husbandry, environment, and Sámi culture and society

that it cannot be established mining operations in the area Nussir and Gumppejuni in Repparfjord.

The Sámediggi request Nussir ASA and the Government to attach decisive importance to the environment, existing sustainable livelihoods and Sámi culture and society and to not go ahead with plans, or allow the creation of this mining.

The Sámediggi notes that the Norwegian Parliament adopted a new Mineral Act in 2009 without the Sámediggi's consent. Sámediggi maintains that mineral act does not meet the state's obligations under international law towards the Sámi. Sámediggi sees that current legislation does not provide predictability for all parties and the possibility of coexistence between traditional and new industries.

The copper mine in Repparfjord will violate the rights of indigenous peoples and likely cause severe environmental damage. On this background, we therefore ask Citigroup and / or the beneficial owners to withdraw your investment in Nussir ASA.

We would welcome the opportunity to meet with you and to explain the situation. You are welcome to meet us in Karasjok in Norway, but we can also meet you in New York.

Yours Sincerely



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Governing council member