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Standard of Conduct and Non-Discriminatory Treatment in Employment

Purpose & Objectives

The purpose of this Standard is to establish a baseline global standard for non-discriminatory treatment in employment and professional and respectful workplace conduct throughout the employment process.

Scope

The scope of this Standard is global. It applies to all directors, officers and employees of Gold Global Mining Corporation ("NC") or any entity that is controlled or managed by NC (together with NC, "Gold Global Mining" or the "Company"). In addition, where explicitly stated in an applicable contract, it may apply to Gold Global Mining's contingent workers, vendors, contractors, and other types of business partners. It is applicable to all sites and in all phases of the mine life cycle including exploration, design, construction, operation and closure.

Content

1. Non-Discriminatory Treatment

Gold Global Mining shall not make Employment Decisions on the basis of personal characteristics (such as gender, Gender Identity, Gender Expression, race, nationality, ethnic, social and indigenous origin, religion or religious belief, Disability, age, or sexual orientation) unrelated to requirements of the job, with the exception of:

- 1.1 Targets mandated by law;
- 1.2 Targets developed through local agreements for the employment of local residents, indigenous peoples, or individuals who have been historically disadvantaged, and;
- 1.3 Gold Global Mining targets for the employment of local residents, indigenous peoples, or individuals who have been historically disadvantaged that are expressed in publiclyaccessible documents with explicit goals and justification for such targets.

Gold Global Mining will make reasonable accommodations based on an Employee's Disability or religionor other protected category based on applicable national and local law.

2. Professional Workplace Behavior Expectations

Gold Global Mining Employees, contractors, vendors and parties engaged on Gold Global Mining's behalf shall adhere to Gold Global Mining's Code of Conduct, applicable policies, standards and procedures, applicable laws and regulations, and applicable rules including internal work regulations by demonstrating respectful, appropriate and professional workplace This Document is uncontrolled in hard copy. In the event of conflicts between the translations of This Document, the english version shall prevail. For the current version, please visit the COMPANY'S ELECTRONIC GLOBAL GOVERNANCE DOCUMENTS LIBRARY.



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behaviors while engaging inGold Global Mining business on or off Gold Global Mining premises. Breaching workplace behavior expectations



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will result in corrective action, up to and including termination of employment, which will comply with applicable law and any applicable labor agreements.

Gold Global Mining shall take appropriate corrective action up to and including termination of employmentif Employees engage in Harassment, discrimination, workplace violence, or bullying.

2.1 Harassment and Discrimination

Gold Global Mining is committed to providing a work environment free of Sexual Harassment, other Harassment and discrimination based on gender, Gender Identity, Gender Expression, race, nationality, ethnic, social and indigenous origin, religion, religious belief, Disability, age, sexual orientation, and other legally protected categories. Even harassing or discriminatory conduct that does not rise to the level of unlawful Harassment or discrimination or is not prohibited by law in a particular jurisdiction may violate Gold Global Mining's standards and be grounds for corrective action up to and including termination of employment in compliance with applicable law and labor agreements. Gold Global Mining will not tolerateHarassment based upon any of the categories stated above or any additional legally protected category in any form of conduct, speech, written notes, photos, cartoons or electronic messages (including on social media).

2.2 Work Place Violence

It is a goal to provide a workplace in which Employees, contractors, vendors and others are free from violence. Gold Global Mining prohibits any acts or threats of physical violence while conducting Gold Global Mining business, while on Gold Global Mining property, or while interacting with any Gold Global Mining Employees, vendors, contractors, other business partners, or other members of the public.

- 2.2.1 Examples of conduct that may constitute threats or acts of violence include but are not limited to:
 - Threats or acts of physical or aggressive contact directed towards another individual or his or her family, friends, associates or property;
 - the intentional destruction, defacing of, or threat of the defacing or destruction of Gold Global Mining property or another individual's property;
 - harassing or threatening phone calls or electronic messages;
 - stalking;
 - veiled threats of physical harm or similar intimidation; or

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 any conduct resulting in an arrest or conviction under any criminal law relating to violence or threats of violence.



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2.3 Bullying

It is a goal to have a workplace in which Employees, contractors, vendors and others are free from Bullying. Gold Global Mining prohibits any acts or threats (including,but not limited to, actions in a cyber format) of Bullying while conducting Gold Global Mining business, while on Gold Global Mining property, or while interacting with any Gold Global Mining Employees, vendors, contractors, other business partners, or other members of the public.

- 2.3.1 Examples of conduct that may constitute Bullying include but are not limited to:
 - Aggressive or intimidating acts that are generally non-physical but that create significant psychological or physical harm, including psychological harassment or violence, such as verbal abuse;
 - acts or verbal statements intending to threaten, humiliate or intimidate, and;
 - work interference or sabotage, which prevents work from getting done.
- 2.4 It is not considered Harassment, Discrimination or Bullying by supervisors and other members of management to enforce job performance requirements and standards of conduct.

3. Legal Compliance

Gold Global Mining shall comply with all applicable law and the operating region may promulgate a regional standard based upon applicable law or expectations exceeding legal requirements in countries where national and/or local law provides for non-discrimination in employment, anti-harassment, and freedom from Bullying and violence in the workplace. In cases where national or local laws are silent on non-discrimination in employment, anti-harassment, Bullying and violence in the workplace, Gold Global Mining shall follow this Standard. In circumstances where nationallaw or local law is inconsistent with this Standard, Gold Global Mining shall carry out its operations consistent with the intent of this Standard to the extent possible without contravening applicable laws.

4. Complaints, Investigation and No Retaliation

Gold Global Mining provides multiple methods for Employees, contractors, vendors and third parties engaged on Gold Global Mining's behalf to submit complaints concerning failure to uphold this Standard, the Code of Conduct, or any other Gold Global Mining policies, standards, or procedures, including, but not limited to, communication with managers, human resources, regional Ethics Advocates and the Ethics Solutions Tool. Complaints of such nature will be subject to prompt and appropriate investigation and no individual will be retaliated against for reporting a Good Faith complaint.



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even if the conduct is not directed to the individual who is aware of or witnesses the conduct.



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Definitions

<u>Bullying</u>: Bullying in the workplace is defined as severe or repeated psychological or physical health-harming and abusive mistreatment of an individual by one or more perpetrators acting with malice. (*Malice* is the desire to cause pain, injury or distress to another or the deliberate indifference of causing pain, injury or distress to another. *Psychological harm* is the material impairment of a person's health. *Physical harm* is the material impairment of a person's physical health or bodily integrity.)

<u>Disability</u>: A physical or mental impairment (or a person being regarded as having a physical or mental impairment) that substantially limits one or more major life activities of an individual. The term "Disability" shall be construed only in such a way that upholds and complies with applicable national and local laws. Also, an individual with a Disability must be able to perform the essential functions of their position (with or without reasonable accommodations as determined by applicable law); otherwise such individual is not qualified for their position and it shall not be a violation of this Standard to make employment decisions based upon lack of qualification.

Employee – A person who is directly on the employee payroll of a Gold Global Mining entity.

<u>Employment Decisions</u>: Employer actions that materially affect the employment relationship such as hiring, termination of employment, promotions, reassignment with significantly different responsibilities, corrective action procedures, compensation, benefits, and training opportunities.

<u>Gender Expression</u>: Gender Expression means the external display of one's gender, through a combination of dress, physical appearance, demeanor, social behavior, and other factors.

<u>Gender Identity</u>: Gender Identity means an individual's innate sense of one's own gender as male, female, a combination of both or neither, which may be the same or different from one's sex assigned at birth.

<u>Good Faith</u>: An honest belief (even if such belief is ultimately inaccurate) that is free of any malicious intent.

<u>Harassing Conduct:</u> Harassment is unwelcome, offensive conduct based on one or more protected categories which create a work environment that is intimidating, hostile, or abusive.

Gold Global Mining – Gold Global Mining is NC and all Gold Global Mining Affiliates. NC is Gold Global Mining Corporation. A Gold Global Mining Affiliate is any entity that is majority-owned, directly or indirectly, by NC or is activelymanaged by any such NC majority-owned entity.

<u>Retaliation</u>: Retaliation is punishing or making an Employment Decision against an individual because such individual, in Good Faith, either made a complaint or otherwise participated in an investigation.



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<u>Sexual Harassment</u>: Sexual Harassment is Harassment based on gender, Gender Identity, Gender Expression, or sexual orientation, and can include unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, unsolicited physical contact, unwelcome flirtations, offensive verbal, visual or physical conduct of a sexual nature, suggestive or lewd remarks, unwanted hugs or touches, offensive jokes or visuals, pornography or sexually explicit material. Sexual Harassment can be from a person of any gender, Gender Identity or Gender Expression, to another person of any gender, Gender Identity or Gender Expression. Sexual Harassment is not limited to male/female, and is not limited to conduct of a sexual nature but includes any harassing conduct that is based on gender, Gender Identity, Gender Expression, or sexual orientation.

References

People Policy
Code of Conduct
Employment Standard
Global Inclusion and Diversity Standard
Local Procurement and Employment Standard

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