



## Statement of engagement with the ARRC task force

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To whom it may concern,

This letter is to acknowledge that The Biodiversity Consultancy (TBC), on behalf of Guinea Alumina Corporation (GAC), has engaged with the ARRC task force of the IUCN SSC Primate Specialist Group, to review and input into the following documents:

- Peer review of GAC's optimized monitoring and evaluation program & updated baseline survey for Western Chimpanzees (Word document); and
- GAC Chimpanzee Monitoring and Evaluation Framework (Excel file).

The ARRC task force of the IUCN SSC Primate Specialist Group was represented by a panel of three experts with relevant experience on this topic, species and region. The panel participated in two phone calls with TBC (1- to discuss the results and adequacy of previous baseline surveys; and 2- to discuss the needs for the future monitoring and evaluation program). The ARRC task force then provided written comments on the documents themselves. To the best of our knowledge, the comments and input provided by the ARRC task force have been incorporated into the final documents presented to GAC.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

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