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Gazette Notice 48598 – Export ban extension comments

Dear Mr. Mahendra Shunmoogan

By email: metalpolicy2023@thedtic.gov.za

We hereby submit comments on the proposed export ban extensions:

1. Any reduction in incidents of theft since 30 Nov 2022 are due to increased policing by SAPS and dedicated investigative units, not the export ban which continues to hamper legitimate metals trade.
2. Further exemptions for grades that are **not** related to infrastructure theft needs to be considered.
3. In the absence of the domestic market's linkage to the global market (ARO the export ban), the continuation of PPS for market pricing purposes is essential to provide market stability.

Sincerely

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