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PRESS RELEASE

CHIEF OF BIBIANI ASSURED THE YOUTH TO REMAIN CALM TO SEARCH FOR EMPLOYMENT IN THE MINING COMPANY

I, NANA NGOAH ANYIMA-KODOM II, the Chief of Bibiani is concerned about the recent demonstration by the angry youth of Bibiani at the Premises of Mensin Gold Mines on Wednesday, the 6th and Monday the 11th July, 2022 respectively who demanded their fair share of employment opportunities from the Mining Company. This press statement is intended to address some important measures the Chief and the opinion leaders are putting in place with the management of the Mining Company to ensure equitable and fair employment processes.

It would be recalled that the recent interviews held by the President of National House of Chief who is also the Omanhene of Sefwi Anhwiaso Traditional Area with King Tom television network, where the Omanhene categorically stated that he had conducted employment census at the Mining Company and Fifty percent (50%) of the employees are said to be natives of Bibiani.

Unfortunately, this statement made by the Omanhene precipitated the angers of the youth of Bibiani who could not hide their frustration and disappointment than to embark on non-violence demonstration at the premises of the Mining Company.

It is worth mentioning that I, the Chief of Bibiani and my opinion leaders are setting up a community secretariat and a website as being practised in all the Mining Communities in Ghana where all employment and contract awarding issues would be scrutinised and looked at for the general good of the people in Bibiani.

Arguably, I am left with no doubt in my mind that such statements by the Omanhene are very sensitive and can degenerate into potentially, disruptive protests, confusion and social disharmony in Bibiani and the operations of the Mining Company which have security implications if allowed to fester.

To conclude, while I will not endorse any acts of violence, I wish to urge all the energetic youth of Bibiani to remain calm while proper and long lasting strategies are being put in place to eschew any future employment misunderstanding to ensure a better welfare for all the people in Bibiani and its adjoining communities.

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