COMPENSATION CLAIMS COMMITTEE
JOINT STATEMENT

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Tri-Partite Council of Khanbogd soum (TPC)\(^1\) have signed two “Herders’ Complaint Resolution Agreements” on May 9, 2017 confirming the agreements and consensus reached to settle the herders’ complaints. According to these agreements, the Council will act as the Compensation Claims’ Committee. As stipulated in the Procedure for the Compensation Claims’ Committee (CCC), the Committee will coordinate the activities to receive and resolve the herders’ claims relevant to the claims to be retrospectively included in 2004 relocation or 2011 compensation agreements.

The first meeting of the Compensation Claims’ Committee was held on June 28, 2017 at the Community Development Center. All members of the TPC attended the meeting and the mediator/facilitator of the Compliance Advisor Ombudsman Office (CAO)\(^2\) attended as an observer.

Resettlement zone, affected zones eligible for compensation due to the programs implemented by Oyu Tolgoi in 2004 and 2011 and relevant compensation packages have been discussed during the Committee meeting. During the discussion, some areas of zones eligible for compensation and compensation packages needed for more clarification, thus the Committee decided to discuss 83 claims submitted by the herder households for retrospective consideration. The Committee’s next meeting shall be hold on July 25, 2017.

The Herder Complaint Resolution Agreements and Procedure for the Compensation Claims Committee can be found from the special edition of the Local Newsletter published by OT for more details.

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\(^1\)The Tripartite Council (TPC), a council with equal representation from Khanbogd soum herders, local authorities and Oyu Tolgoi LLC was formally established on 8th June, 2015 by signing on the Memorandum of Understanding to solve complaints made by parties. Compliance Advisor Ombudsman (CAO) guides the operations of the TPC.

\(^2\)Compliance Advisor Ombudsman (CAO) is an independent recourse mechanism for the International Finance Corporation of the World Bank Group and Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA).