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Dear Mr Cornelissen,

I hereby send you the advisory review of the EIA reports concerning the Obajana cement factory complex in Kogi State, Nigeria.

I would like to ask your attention for the following:

- During the site visit in June 2004 the Netherlands Commission for Environmental Impact Assessment (NCEIA) observed a positive attitude of the management of the Dangote group towards environmental and social issues. This advice provides recommendations for supplementary information to the EIA reports and for the management of these issues; these are requirements of international standards for environmental and social compliance.
- The impacts of the project activities on the two communities (Obajana and the Oyo-Iwa community) which are located in the vicinity of the project are expected to be significant. The Dangote group should facilitate and support the set up and execution of a community development plan for these communities. .
- Urban planning of the Obajana community is of the utmost importance to guide the development of this community. The Dangote group cannot be held responsible for urban planning but they can actively support this process.

It is my pleasure to submit herewith the Advisory Review prepared by a working group of the NCEIA. I sincerely hope that our advice will help you to make the right decisions. We are of course available for further advice.

With kind regards,

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Chairman of the working group

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