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Dear Mr. Special Project Facilitator,

We, Non-governmental Organization “Guram Tikanadze’s Youth Center of Svaneti”, address: village Latali, Mestia Region, Georgia, and its residents: Zviadi Nikoloziani, Madona Kvanchiani, Zuriko Tamliani, Koba Parjiani, Besik Tserediani, Lasha Tserediani, Ksenia Markovskaya and Gigla Parjiani apply to you,

Let us greet you from one of the beautiful villages of Zemo Svaneti – Latali with the best regards and the sense of responsibility for the solution of the problem, implemented by the Government in Zemo Svaneti with your support.

For some reason, the deed, started for good, turned into additional problem for our village due to the following issues:

- The Government restrains from payment of compensations for land plots owned by individuals, which are required for construction;
- Official approach towards the mentioned issue isn’t known to us, only the constructors and the representatives of governmental authorities explain it in various interpretations;
- On our part, we have established a monitoring group for the implementation of monitoring of 10 km Latali-Mestia section of Zugdidi-Mestia road, which has already begun working.

Following the existing situation, we apply to you with the request to provide us with the information, required for the population:

- Operational schedule of 5 km Latali-Mestia section of Zugdidi-Mestia road, according to which the construction activities are to be carried out;
- Mechanisms of land plot acquisition for building organizations from the population on the same section and contact information of the organization responsible for funding issues for their procurement;
- Copies of public consideration of the Project.

We hope that our request is feasible and fair and we’ll receive your response with your customary and relevant culture, and thank you for this in advance.

With deep esteem and great appreciation
“Guram Tikanadze’s Youth Center of Svaneti”
Representatives of Latali Community

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Annex 1

Description of the Existing Situation

The Government restrains from payment of compensations for land plots owned by individuals, which are required for construction. We and our activists got involved in clarification of the circumstance in timely manner. In order to obtain primary information, we met the representatives of local self-government; according to their words, the funder of this section – Asian Development Bank refused to pay compensations, so these amounts were to be allocated by local municipality, but the budget of 2010 was already drawn up and it caused the problem. August 11: For obtaining of more accurate information, we met the Executive Director of the Executing Company – Irakli Usanetashvili, who provided the same information and told us in addition that the Company is ready to allocate 50000 GEL for compensations, but first audit assessment/survey is to be carried out.

August 24: Together with population, we met the Manager of works, carried out in the field - Giorgi Khutsishvili, who informed us that by instructions of local municipality, beginning of works in the village was temporarily stopped, and if the population doesn't cease demanding compensations, the Project will be continued with exclusion of Latali.

September 30: Together with NGOs and experts, we met the representatives of Mestia Sakrebulo (Council): Chairman of Sakrebulo Gocha Gvarliani, members of Commission: David Gvichiani, Gocha Khorguani and Lomar Niguriani. We discussed the issue of compensations and provided the existing information.

October 8: Construction of the road in the direction of the village was stopped; the executor had enough time to finish this section till the autumn.

We have to apply to the Project funder, i.e. you – ADB – to get the proper information and clarify the existing situation and avoid complication of the situation.

Sincerely yours

Ember of Council of “Guram Tikanadze’s Youth Center of Svaneti”

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