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Dear Ambassador Moctezuma,


I hope that this correspondence finds you well. I am writing with great concern to bring to your attention illegal events that transpired on Vulcan/Calica properties this week. On Tuesday, March 14, at approximately 5:30 am local time, heavily armed Naval forces, state police, and special investigative forces answering to the state prosecutor, along with CEMEX personnel, arrived at the gates of Vulcan/Calica property at Punta Venado in Quintana Roo. They informed the unarmed Vulcan security guards that they had an order to bring a CEMEX vessel into the port to unload cement.

CEMEX, the military, and the police forced entry into our private property. They did not possess or present at that time any court order, warrant or other official justifications for the action. As of today, March 16, we have not been presented a single legal document, court order, or warrant justifying or ordering this act. Government forces and CEMEX personnel continue to illegally occupy Vulcan's private property, as CEMEX unloads its ship supported by armed military and police forces.

I am writing to request that your government immediately order its forces and officials to leave our private property. The government's participation in this gross violation of our property rights is yet another example of the government's arbitrary and illegal treatment of Vulcan and its investments in Mexico. This occupation must cease immediately.

I appreciate your attention to this matter and am at your disposal should you wish to discuss it.

Best Regards,


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