

To: QMM Company and to local and external partners

Subject: Request

Dated 29th January 2018

We the 'fokonolona' (village) of Antsotso, make the present request for collaboration with QMM Company, local and external partners.

Following the prohibition to use the forest from 2003 until an unspecified time, and the resultant restriction on our source of income and activities, we make the present request to improve the standard of living of the population and to reinforce the human rights of the community of Antsotso, in the commune of Iaboakoho.

After discussions by group, we list below the priorities for the development and improvement of the living conditions of the population in Antsotso:

- 1- Food support to avoid famine
- 2- Development of local development plans (PED) at the level of each fokontany (village) in collaboration with QMM and all partners to set up a society that can give jobs to the local population
- 3- Support for income-generating activities and vocational training. For example: growing cassava on slopes, growing rice in rice fields, planting trees that can produce fruit
- 4- Support for fishing activities, eg equipment: boats, nets, life jackets
- 5- Dam construction for irrigation for rice growing
- 6- Very clear delimitation of the forest (parts delineated for use, protected forest, forbidden forest)
- 7- Construction of the road to Vohibe
- 8- Fokontany office building and hospital with Community Agents (CA)
- 9- Establishment of craft house, eg to make baskets, stitching
- 10-Supply of seeds and fertilizers
- 11-Additional classroom construction
- 12-Establishment of daily market
- 13-Establishment of billboard to attract tourists to the forest of Vohibe

It should be noted that the present request was made voluntarily according to the need of the population, not related to politics, because it is for the good of the population and to avoid "famine" and also to have an effective collaboration between the QMM and all partners working in the area.

The prioritisation of this request was made to assert what is right. We the undersigned,

signatures

[NB: this is a rough translation from the Malagasy. Apologies for any errors in grammar etc.]