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Questions Posed by the UNITED STATES Regarding the New and Full and Updating Notifications of ZIMBABWE¹

The following communication, dated 14 July 2001, has been received from the Permanent Mission of the United States.

The following are questions regarding the notification of Zimbabwe made pursuant to Article XVI:1 of the GATT 1994 and Article 25 of the Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures, in document G/SCM/N/48/ZWE-G/SCM/N/60/ZWE-G/SCM/N/71/ZWE, dated 26 March 2001.

1. It has been reported that Zimbabwe has recently announced subsidies for its gold miners. Can you please provide full notifications for these subsidies, as well as the Gold Price Support Programme, if they are different?
 2. Are these subsidies provided directly to the gold miners (that is, to the employees) or are they provided to the companies for which they work?
 3. Are subsidies similar to those available to gold miners provided to other sectors of the mining industry?
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¹ G/SCM/N/48/ZWE-G/SCM/N/60/ZWE-G/SCM/N/71/ZWE