

Mitsubishi Materials Reaches Settlement with Chinese Wartime Laborers

TOKYO, JAPAN, June 1, 2016 – Mitsubishi Materials Corporation (hereinafter “MMC”) today announced that it has reached settlements with three former Chinese laborers who were forced to work during World War II at the mines of Mitsubishi Mining Corporation, the predecessor company of MMC.

At the signing ceremony held earlier today in Beijing, MMC expressed its sincere apologies regarding its historical responsibility to the former laborers and the apologies were accepted by the three former laborers. In the settlement, MMC has agreed to pay RMB 100,000 (approx. USD 15,000) to each of the former laborers as an expression of the sincerity of its apologies.

MMC will also establish a fund in China that will support further related activities, including searches for the whereabouts of other former laborers and the families of the deceased former laborers, and the construction of memorials.

Several groups that support former laborers and the families of deceased former laborers have also welcomed the settlements and indicated their intention to support further related activities.

MMC continues to seek a comprehensive and permanent solution with all of its former laborers and their families.

Attachment

- 1 MMC and the former Chinese laborers have agreed as follows:
 - 1.1 MMC has apologized to the former laborers, and the former laborers have accepted the apologies.
 - 1.2 MMC will pay RMB 100,000 to each former laborer and each representative of the families of the deceased former laborers as an expression of the sincerity of its apologies.
 - 1.3 MMC will construct memorials at the sites where the mines of Mitsubishi Mining Corporation were located.
 - 1.4 Further related activities include:
 - 1.4.1 MMC will establish a fund.
 - 1.4.2 MMC will make a donation to the fund.
 - 1.4.3 The fund will support searches for the whereabouts of the former laborers and the families of the deceased former laborers, and evaluate their eligibility for payment.
 - 1.4.4 The fund will make payments to those found to be eligible as an expression of MMC's apologies.
 - 1.4.5 The fund will support the construction of memorials and the organization of memorial ceremonies.
- 2 An overview of the signing ceremony
 - 2.1 Date: 10 am to 11am CST on June 1, 2016
 - 2.2 Location: Beijing
 - 2.3 Attendees: Former Chinese laborers and approximately 20 other people involved in supporting the laborers
Hikaru Kimura, a senior executive officer of MMC, and approximately 10 other people from the company
- 3 Number of laborers assigned to the mines of Mitsubishi Mining Corporation

Location/name		No. of Laborers
Hokkaido	Bibai coal mine	704
Hokkaido	Oyubari coal mine	680
Hokkaido	Yuubetsu coal mine	253
Akita Prefecture	Osarizawa mine	498
Fukuoka Prefecture	Katsuta coal mine	352
Fukuoka Prefecture	Iizuka coal mine	189
Nagasaki Prefecture	Hashima coal mine	204
Nagasaki Prefecture	Takashima coal mine	205
Nagasaki Prefecture	Sakito coal mine	436
Miyazaki Prefecture	Makimine mine	244
Total		3,765

Note: Based on a survey of Chinese mine laborers by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan