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**Response (sent by Matthew Bateson, Head of Environment and Legacy Management):**

* As per Rule 7 of the *Omnibus Rules of Procedure* of the Commission, they understand the National Inquiry is solely fact-finding and non-adversarial in nature
* Rio Tinto does not currently have any employees, projects, or operations in the Philippines
* Their response is provided *ad cautelam* and without submission to the personal jurisdiction of the Commission
* They “continue to work to understand and manage climate change threats,” and have a Climate Change Position Statement
* Their voluntary commitment to the UN Global Compact provides the framework for their human rights approach, and is consistent with the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights
* They encourage the Commission to focus recommendations from the National Inquiry on collective solutions