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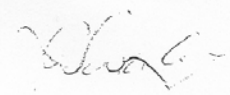
Manager
Company Announcements Office
Australian Stock Exchange Limited
10th Floor, 20 Bond Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Madam,

REQUEST FOR SUSPENSION

PLA is engaged in finalizing a share placement to raise funds for the purchase of the Smokey Hills platinum project in South Africa and for feasibility studies on that project. A suspension of trading in the securities of PLA for up to two days is requested to allow the company time to finalise the placement.

Yours faithfully
PLATINUM AUSTRALIA LIMITED


G Swaby
Company Secretary