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Ms. Eyckmans
International Coordinator, Western Sahara Resource Watch

Dear Ms. Eyckmans,

Thank you for your letter of 14 March 2014 regarding hydrocarbon exploration offshore Western Sahara.

To address one of your central concerns, it is our view that responsible resource exploration and, if successful, development in Western Sahara can and should occur in parallel with the UN-led discussions on the region's future.

In our position paper we acknowledge that Kosmos Energy has no political role regarding the deliberations on the future status of Western Sahara; nevertheless, we are committed to being a responsible corporate citizen that is cognizant of the broader context in which we operate. To this end, we are committed to listening to all stakeholders to ensure that we have a comprehensive understanding of the situation.

Regarding the questions that you raise, our recent joint declaration with ONHYM sets out our shared commitments regarding our exploration activities and the key principles under which hydrocarbon development would proceed, if any commercially viable deposits are discovered; including, among other things, that any such development would be undertaken in accordance with international standards, including those set out in the United Nations Charter, and those referred to in the 2002 United Nations Legal Opinion on resource development in Western Sahara.

We are committed to ensuring that our investment in exploration in the region, if successful, will be for the benefit of all the people of the territory, contributing to development in a transparent manner.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "W. S. Hayes", written over a horizontal line.

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