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**Mr. Muhammad Jamil Gamutan, al Hadj**

President  
Jabal Development Mining Inc.  
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Dear Mr. Gamutan:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Letter dated 28 March 2011, Subject: Ivanhoe Philippines, Inc. Destructive Actuations, including the pertinent documents attached.

In your Letter, you remind us of the discussions that took place on 17 February 2011 in this Office regarding what you claim to be acts amounting to "attempted tampering" of laboratory analytical or assay results allegedly committed by Mr. Leo S. Deiparine and Mr. Carlito A. Auza, Country Manager and Senior Geologist, respectively, of Ivanhoe Philippines, Inc. (IPI). You then proceed to conclude that "Mr. LS Deiparine acted unbecoming of a professional, unethical behavioural conduct contrary to universal morals and values, corporate code of ethics of Ivanhoe Mines, and governing standards of the Philippine Professional Regulatory Commission."

In view of the seriousness of your allegations against Mr. Deiparine and Mr. Auza, this Office deems it appropriate and necessary to furnish them copies of your Letter and direct them to submit their comments thereon, in accordance with due process and the principle of transparency in all official dealings. Please be advised that we shall inform you of the course of action that we will take in connection with your complaint after we have received their reply.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

**LEO L. JASARENO**  
Acting Director