

A Delegation of Zambian Ministerial Workshop on China Paying an Investigative Visit to CNMNC

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From September 23 to 25, 2012, an eight-member delegation of Zambian Ministerial Workshop on China headed by Nasanil Mubukawanu, vice minister of the Ministry of Youth Sports of Zambia, paid an investigative visit to CNMC Ningxia Orient Group Co., Ltd. (CNMNC), an enterprise with the investment from CNMC. Accompanying the delegation during the visit were Zhu Liugui, vice president of the Academy for International Business Officials sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce of China, Sun Jialin, vice general manager of CNMC, and some relevant leaders of Ningxia Autonomous Region.

Minister Mubukawanu and his party visited CNMNC exhibition hall and some other facilities, including CNMNC New Materials Industry Park, Tantalum-Niobium Materials Plant, and Beryllium-Copper Subcompany. Zhang Chuangqi, chair of the board and party secretary of CNMNC, introduced to the guests the tantalum-niobium ore extraction technology adopted by CNMNC, the market share and

technical properties of CNMNC's leading products such as tantalum powder and tantalum wire, and the performance and usage of CNMNC's steel wire and beryllium-copper products. He said that, under the powerful leadership of CNMC and with the support and help of the governmental departments at all levels in Ningxia, CNMNC has further quickened its new project construction and made great progress in new materials industry. Now, CNMNC shows a favorable development momentum due to its advancement in science and technology, solid product upgrading, and more reasonable product structure. He emphasized that supply of tantalum, niobium, and cobalt has always been the key factor that affects and limits the development of CNMNC. Zambia and its neighboring countries and regions have rich nonferrous metal resources such as tantalum, niobium, and cobalt. This visit to CNMNC by Zambian ministerial officials can build up yet another platform for better understanding, enhanced exchange, and further cooperation between China and Zambia. CNMNC will carry out the "going-out" strategy, make investment in Zambia, cooperate with Zambian enterprises, and achieve win-win results by relying on the China-Zambia Economic and Trade Cooperation Zone built on the investment by CNMC.

Minister Mubukawanu said that the investment in Zambia by CNMC

is the best proof of the all-weather friendship between China and Zambia. Through this visit, he understands better the industrial layout of CNMC and sees clearly the great strength of CNMC and its subordinated enterprises in management, scientific research, and equipment. Zambia boasts a stable political environment, rich natural resources, and a diversified cultural atmosphere. He hopes that CNMC and its subordinated enterprises make greater investment in Zambia, offer more job opportunities to local people, and make new contribution to the social and economic development of Zambia.

Chiefs of some relevant departments of CNMC accompanied the delegation during the visit.



A field investigation



Visiting CNMNC exhibition hall



A field investigation at the steel wire production line



A field investigation at the beryllium-copper production line