TRANSLATED FROM DANISH

Here follows the Danish Maritime Authority's comments on the EIA and SIA reports for the Nalunaq Gold Mine Project. For the sake of order, it must be stated that the Danish Maritime Authority only comments on matters of importance to sailing and sailing safety.

<u>SIA</u>

This SIA is concerned with societal sustainability and mostly not on topics of direct relevance to the Danish Maritime Authority.

However, under the item "working conditions" it could also be mentioned that conditions on board vessels used in connection with the mine fall under the supervision of the Danish Maritime Authority. This could, possibly, also have significance for sections 1.4.4 and 7.5.1 if the Danish Maritime Authority has to inspect vessels in the area.

There is also mention of the establishment of jetties etc. in/by the fjord. The Danish Maritime Authority must be notified of the establishment of a jetty etc., so that shipping can be informed about this and charts etc. can be updated. In addition, section 5.7.8 mentions ship transport. This is assumed to be described in more detail in an NSI (sailing risk assessment).

EIA

In section 3.6 reference can be made to the Danish Maritime Authority's website: <u>https://www.soefartsstyrelsen.dk/sikkerhed-til-soes/arktis</u>, where all relevant rules for sailing are listed.

It is mentioned in section 3.6 last paragraph, that there is an agreement between MLSA and the Danish Maritime Authority regarding the investigation of navigational safety issues (NSI). However, the EIA report does not seem to contain any details about navigational safety, only a brief description of the scope of sailing in section 5.7.8 and a comment on pollution of the sea due to a ship accident in section 12.3.

The Danish Maritime Authority must request that an NSI be carried out according to previously agreed principles and content. This includes documentation on the marine survey and ENC map for the area performed according to contemporary standards. An NSI must cover the fjord from the entrance at Nanortalik and to the east of the mine area's bridge and landing pad. It is possible that an NSI from the previous mining project in the area can be reused with relevant updates.

In order to review an NSI, please send it to the Danish Maritime Authority no later than 3 months before the mine is expected to start operations.

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