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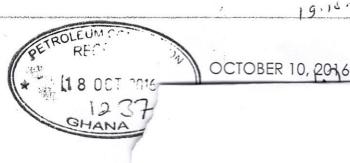
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## RE: OFFSHORE SOUTH-WEST TANO – REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION TO THE INITIAL EXPLORATION PERIOD

I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated June 20, 2016 requesting for 24 months extension of the Initial Exploration Period. I note the material impact the ITLOS Provisional Measures Order on Ghana-Cote d'Ivoire boundaries dispute has had on the Initial Work Programme under the Offshore South-West Tano Petroleum Agreement.

After carefully considering your request and in light of the constraints you indicated, I hereby grant an extension of twenty four (24) months to the initial Exploration Period under the Offshore South-West Tano Petroleum Agreement from October 10, 2016 to October 9, 2018.

It is my expectation that this extension will enable GOSCO representatives successfully executes the remaining work obligations for the Initial Exploration Period under this Agreement.

HON. EMMANUEL ARMAH KOFI-BUAH (MP)

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