Regarding the complaint filed by Daniel Chaupe, son of Maxima Acuña, disseminated through the NGO Grufides, which advises the family, Yanacocha informs the following:

- Yanacocha employees have never threatened Mr. Chaupe in any way. This is not the first time the company is accused without any basis or proof. As in that occasion in which the company was accused irresponsibly of having opened fire against the home of the Chaupe family, which was later proved to be absolutely false.

- We deny categorically that any Yanacocha-related vehicle has tried to harm Mr. Chaupe. We tried to contact Daniel Chaupe, but it was not possible. We know, however, that the incident involving the motorcycle occurred away from San Nicolas, outside Yanacocha property on the Conga - Cajamarca route, where no Yanacocha vehicle has registered any incident in the past days.

- It would make no sense for Yanacocha to engage in these types of acts, when its goal is to maintain a productive dialogue with the Chaupe family.

- Once more, we regret that Grufides is maintaining this type of misinformation policy. It seems that this NGO would be seeking to cut short the dialogue between the Chaupe family and Yanacocha, instead of contributing to hold it in an transparent and peaceful manner.

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