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Area Students Learn About Sustainability of Extractive Resources and Cocoa at Embassy of Ghana, Washington, D.C.

Let's Go Africa Foundation and Partners Hold an Educational Workshop for Schools

Washington, D.C, January 25, 2008- More than 300 Washington area high school and middle school students and their teachers learned about mining, oil and cocoa industries at an African Resources Sustainability Educational Workshop. The event was organized by the Let's Go Africa Foundation and hosted by the Embassy of Ghana.

The Ambassador of Ghana, His Excellency Dr Kwame Bawuah-Edusei, recognized the efforts being made by the Government of Ghana to strengthen the mining and cocoa industry. He stated in his speech that “We as Ghanaians, understand the importance of supporting the hundreds of families depending on these resources.” He highlighted the efforts of mining and oil companies in Africa and called for an effective and balanced management of natural resources.

In an address to the hundreds of students, Ambassador Kenneth Brown, a director with Anvil Mining in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) explained and highlighted the social investment and sustainability programs by mining companies in Africa.

The event included presentations and exhibits by the World Cocoa Foundation as well as by mining and oil companies. The students explored many of Africa’s natural resources and learned about

corporate social responsibility, sustainability and investments in Africa.

The Exhibitors who sponsored the event included the World Cocoa Foundation, Newmont Mining, Anadarko Petroleum Corporation, Banro Gold, ICS Copper Systems, La Quinta Resources, Anvil Mining , Amxil Inc, OM Group and ERHC Energy Inc. Other Exhibitors included Exxon Mobil and American Chemistry Society.

A quiz and competition was held with prizes awarded to winning schools.

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