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Pueblo Viejo Gold Shipment Released

TORONTO – Barrick Gold Corporation (NYSE: ABX, TSX: ABX) (Barrick or the “company”) confirms that a shipment of gold from the Pueblo Viejo mine, which had been detained by Customs authorities in the Dominican Republic on March 14, 2013, has been released and shipped.

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