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U.S. Department of State

Freedom of Information Act Office

Submitted via the Department's Public Access Portal

pal.foia.state.gov/app/Home.aspx

SUBJECT: FOIA request for executed United States-Nigeria critical minerals framework

Dear Sir or Madam:

Global Scenes Reports (GSR), an independent news organization, requests under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, an electronic copy of the complete minerals framework or memorandum of understanding executed in New York on or about 23 September 2026 by Deputy Secretary Christopher Landau and Nigeria's Minister of Solid Minerals Development, Dele Alake.

Please search records held by the Office of the Deputy Secretary and any appropriate office responsible for African affairs, economic affairs or treaty and agreement records. The request includes the executed text and signature pages, annexes, schedules, appendices, side letters and amendments, and existing records sufficient to identify the instrument's official title, date, effective date, legal status and public publication location. We are not asking the Department to create a new explanation.

Nigeria has publicly described the instrument as covering geological data and exploration, mineral development and processing, infrastructure, and technical capacity. Providing its text would allow accurate reporting of what the two governments agreed. Please release all reasonably segregable nonexempt portions of any responsive record and identify the basis for any withholding.

GSR requests classification as a representative of the news media. Disclosure will inform reporting for the public rather than serve a commercial interest, and we request a public-interest fee waiver where applicable. Please notify us before incurring any charge above US\$25. Electronic delivery to **office@gscreports.com** is preferred; please provide a tracking number.

Yours faithfully,

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For and on behalf of the GSR Editorial Office