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REPORT
OF THE
AUDITOR-GENERAL

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USAID GRANT TO THE
UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
SCHOOL OF MINES, TARKWA

FOR THE PERIOD

SEPTEMBER 27, 1990

TO

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The Acting Director
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Dear Sir,

TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND SUMMARY

A. Background

The grant of \$149,699 was given by AID Washington towards the funding of a research project with the objective of finding the origin of gold and diamond deposits in the Akwatia, Tarkwa and Prestea areas in Ghana, determining safe and suitable mining methods for small scale mining, and developing simple methods of extracting gold and diamonds without causing any degradation of the environment. The research project no. 963-5600 entitled "The Genesis of Alluvial Deposits of Gold and Diamonds: Implications for Small Scale Mining" was to be a collaborative effort between University of Science and Technology School of Mines and New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology (NMT) in Socorro, USA. The agreement was signed on September 27, 1990 and was to expire on August 30, 1995.

The project proposal was submitted in 1990 by University of Science and Technology School of Mines to the Programme in Science and Technology Cooperation (PSTC) Office of the Science Advisor, AID in Washington DC, USA, which eventually approved the project. Part of the project was sub-contracted to NMT, the collaborating institution. This was to enable University of Science and Technology School of Mines to take advantage of the computerized and other sophisticated facilities at NMT which were unavailable in Ghana.

