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## Regarding support for the “Open COVID-19 Declaration”

Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., Ltd. (SMM) has decided to support the “Open COVID-19 Declaration,” which was started voluntarily by companies, universities, etc.

To stop the spread of COVID-19, there is a need for medication, vaccines, medical equipment, infection prevention products and more to be developed, manufactured and distributed as quickly as possible. This is all done through cooperation between industry, academia and the government that isn't held down by outdated ideas.

In accordance with this declaration, with regard to activities that have the goal of ending the spread of COVID-19, we declare that our company will exercise no right to any of the patents, utility model rights, design rights or copyrights we hold until the day the World Health Organization declares an end to the spread of COVID-19 and that we will seek no compensation or indemnification.

Towards preventing further spread of COVID-19 and hastening the end of the pandemic, we will continue to look into and implement necessary support measures while working to collaborate with related parties.

【Logo】



Link to “Open Against COVID-19 Declaration”  
<https://www.gckyoto.com/covid19>

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