TR-1: Standard form for notification of major holdings

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR HOLDINGS (to be sent to the relevant issuer and to the FCA in Microsoft Word format if possible)

1a. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are attached:	PAN AFRICAN RESOURCES PLCÂ
1b. Please indicate if the issuer is a non-UK issue	r (please mark with an "X†if appropriate)
Non-UK issuer	Â
2. Reason for the notification (please mark the appr	opriate box or boxes with an "Xâ€)
An acquisition or disposal of voting rights	X
An acquisition or disposal of financial instruments	Â
An event changing the breakdown of voting rights	Â
Other (please specify) ⁱⁱⁱ :	Â
3. Details of person subject to the notification obli	igation [∞]
Name	Van Eck Associates Corporation
City and country of registered office (if applicable)	New York, NY USA
4. Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3.)	
Name	ESB Pension Fund GDX VanEck Gold Miners ETF VanEck Gold Miners ETF (AU) VanEck Gold Miners UCITS ETF
City and country of registered office (if applicable)	Â
5. Date on which the threshold was crossed or reached::	20/12/2024
6. Date on which issuer notified (DD/MM/YYYY):	23/12/2024
7. Total positions of person(s) subject to the notif	ication obligation

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Â	% of voting rights attached to shares (total of 8. A)	% of voting rights through financial instruments (total of 8.B 1 + 8.B 2)	Total of both in % (8.A + 8.B)	Total number of voting rights held in issuer (8.A + 8.B) vii
Resulting situation on the date on which threshold was crossed or reached	4.765%	Â	4.765%	96,689,091
Position of previous notification (if applicable)	5.901%	Â	5.901%	Â
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8. Notified details of the resulting situation on the date on which the threshold was crossed or reached

A: Voting rights attached to shares

class/type of shares	Number of voting rights ^x		% of voting rights	
ISIN code (if possible)	Direct (Art 9 of Directive 2004/109/EC) (DTR5.1)	Indirect (Art 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC) (DTR5.2.1)	Direct (Art 9 of Directive 2004/109/EC) (DTR5.1)	Indirect (Art 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC) (DTR5.2.1)
Common Stock GB0004300496	96,689,091	Â	4.765%	Â
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SUBTOTAL 8. A	96,68	9,091	4.765	5%

B 1: Financial Instruments according to Art. 13(1)(a) of Directive 2004/109/EC (DTR5.3.1.1 (a))

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Type of financial instrument	Expiration date ^x	Exercise/ Conversion Period [®]	Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/converted.	% of voting rights
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Â	Â	SUBTOTAL 8. B 1	Â	Â
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B 2: Financial In 2004/109/EC (D1		h similar econon	nic effect according	to Art. 13(1)(b) of Directive
Type of financial instrument	Expiration date ^x	Exercise/ Conversion Period *	Physical or cash settlement	Number of voting rights	% of voting rights
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Â	Â	Â	SUBTOTAL 8.B.2	Â	Â

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9. Information in relation to the person subject to the notification obligation (please mark the applicable box with an "Xâ€)	
Person subject to the notification obligation is not controlled by any natural person or legal entity and does not control any other undertaking(s) holding directly or indirectly an interest in the (underlying) issuer ^{kiii}	Â
Full chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments are effectively held starting with the ultimate controlling natural person or legal entity ^{xiv} (please add additional rows as necessary)	Х

Name∾	% of voting rights if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold	% of voting rights through financial instruments if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold	Total of both if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold
ESB Pension Fund GDX	0.040%	Â	0.04%
VanEck Gold Miners ETF	4.18%	Â	4.18%
VanEck Gold Miners ETF (AU)	0.129%	Â	0.129%
VanEck Gold Miners UCITS ETF	0.415%	Â	0.415%
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10. In case of proxy voting, please identify:	
Name of the proxy holder	Glass Lewis
The number and % of voting rights held	96,689,091 shares and 4.765% voting rights
The date until which the voting rights will be held	Open

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11. Additional information ^{xxi}		
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Place of completion	Tampa, FL. USA
Date of completion	23 December 2024

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