

by amending the article, Ugandans will have sacrificed their future and that of their children to keeping one

person, President Yoweri Museveni, in power. The campaign comes at a

time when Ugandans have started debating Article 102 (b), whose amendment could

and announced that no such plan to lift the age limit.

Bireta also emphasised

plans to amend the Constitution.

CHINESE NATIONAL DRAGS MINING DIRECTOR TO INTERPOL

BY JOHN ODYEK

A Chinese national has dragged Li Wei Guo, one of the directors of Tibet Hima Mining Company, to Interpol claiming he defrauded her of \$65,000 (about sh234m).

Jane Zhang, a director at Fast Forwarding and Shipping Company, made a statement that has been received and stamped dated June 26, 2017 by Interpol.

Zhang stated that Guo obtained the money from her in 2014 claiming he was going to buy an excavator for the copper mining project in Kasese district. She said she had expected the money to be returned in a short period of time, but Guo has been dodging her since.

Tibet Hima Mining Company was given the concession to mine copper in Kilembe Mines, in 2013. However,

the Government has given a notice of termination for the 25-year mining concession for non-performance.

"He (Guo) to-date has refused to pick up my calls," read Zhang's statement. She said at one time, Guo told her he was getting a loan from Standard Chartered Bank to pay her, which he did not do. She explained that she has fears that following the move to cancel the contract, Guo might leave the country without paying her.

"I am a single woman and would like to recover my money as he clearly did not purchase what the money was meant to do. I request that Interpol stops him from leaving the country," Zhang said.

When contacted, Guo did not confirm or deny receiving the money. Guo insisted the issue was between him and the lady. He said he was waiting for the Police to contact him.



Evelyn Anite

"I was looking to pay the money, but problems came. I cannot run away, I will solve the problem," Guo said.

Guo, who also spoke through an interpreter and colleague, said he

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was a lawyer. Guo suggested that Zhang asks a lawyer to discuss the matter with him. He denied that he was not available on phone.

Evelyn Anite, the state minister for privatisation, on Wednesday told Parliament that the company had failed to meet many requirements of the contract and consequently the

Government has issued a notice for termination of the contract.

She cited one of the reasons being the company's failure to pay annual concession fees of \$1m (sh3.6b). The company also failed to provide an exploration guarantee by July 1, 2014, submit a feasibility study for development and construction of a copper smelting plant by November 26, 2015. It has also failed to submit a feasibility study for the project to process tailings into cobalt.

MPs have accused the company of eking revenues from the sale of electricity, treatment of electrical poles and the renting of housing estates. Guo said they were supplying free electricity and water to Kilembe Mines Hospital, schools and de-silting River Nyamwamba. He promised to give detailed explanation about the project development at Kilembe Mines.