Outlook

El-Ali Meteorite on sale at Hessink's Auction in the Netherlands

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Dear Mr. Nicholas Gessler,

I was contacting Mr. Martin Fletcher from about a resent article he wrote in the British Newspaper 'The Telegraph' on 10th of December 2025 about the 'El Ali' Meteorite. He advise me to get in contact with you.

In September 2025, after the successful sale of the 'Gibeon' Meteorite (1), we received a request for selling the rare 'El Ali' Meteorite (2) in one of our next International Mineral Auctions. I was invited to Nairobi (Kenia) on the 26th of January 2026 by Mr. H.E. Dahir Shire Mohamed (3), the Minister of Petroleum and Mineral Resources of the Federal Government of Somalia and the owners of this 'El Ali' Meteorite, Mr. Noor Hassan Sheikh Abdi (4-5) and Mr. Abdikarim Mohamed Ahmed (6), owner/manager of Kureym Mining & Rocks Company in Somalia. (7)

During this meeting, Mr. H.E. Dahir Shire Mohamed, the Minister of Petroleum and Mineral Resources of the Federal Government of Somalia handed me over an 'Authentication of Ownership and Lawful Export of the El Ali Meteorite' (8-9). On the same meeting I presented the 'Terms and Condition' for the Mineral sale and together we signed the contract for the sale of the 'El Ali' Meteorite. (9)

During this visite in Nairobi we also started with the producing for a documentary what will tell the story of 'El Ali', the meeting with Mr. H.E. Dahir Shire Mohamed (Minister of Somalia), my visite to China on the 24th of January 2026 and the preparing for the shipping of the 'El Ali' Meteorite to Space Expo Museum in Noordwijk (NL). We also prepare a promotion tour to London, Paris and Berlin.

Photo with Minister H.E. Dahir Shire Mohamed and me (11).

For more information and details, please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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