

**KCGM Media Release
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Gold Charges Dismissed

We write in relation to the article, "Gold Charges Dismissed" printed in the Kalgoorlie Miner on Saturday 22 November 2008. In light of the serious nature of the alleged criminal offences, we write to express our concern that the article may create a perception amongst readers that since the charges have been dismissed against the four men accused of stealing gold from the Super Pit, the issue has now been closed. This is simply not the fact.

The fact is that while on 21 November 2008, the Kalgoorlie Magistrate's Court dismissed charges against four men accused of stealing more than \$300,000 worth of gold from the Super Pit - the Gold Stealing Detection Unit continues to gather evidence with a view to presenting a brief to the DPP to progress this matter, especially given the substantial, complex and serious nature of this criminal offence.

We would gratefully appreciate the opportunity to emphasize this fact in any following articles the Kalgoorlie Miner may consider publishing in relation to this matter.

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