# On the approximate cohomology of quasi holomorphic line bundles 

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## Corollary (Laurent laeng, 2002)

For $\lambda_{k} \rightarrow 0$ slowly enough, i.e. with $k^{2+2 / b_{2}} \lambda_{k} \rightarrow+\infty$, one has

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## The end

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