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五礦資源有限公司
MINMETALS RESOURCES LIMITED

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 1208)

VOLUNTARY ANNOUNCEMENT

Minmetals Resources Limited (“MMR”) today announced a contractor has been fatally injured in an incident at its Sepon mine in Laos (also known as the Lao People’s Democratic Republic) on Tuesday 28 February 2012.

The contractor was killed in an incident at a construction site when a compactor, mobile equipment used for civil works, experienced an uncontrolled movement. A full investigation is being conducted into the incident.

MMR Chief Executive Mr Andrew Michelmore said “this is a tragic incident and a very sad day for everyone in the company. Our thoughts and condolences are with the contractor’s family at this time.”

MMR will provide support to the contractor’s family and has provided counselling support to staff at the mine.

About Sepon

Sepon is a copper and gold mining operation located 40 kilometres north of the town of Sepon, in the Vilabouly District of the Savannakhet Province, Lao PDR. The Sepon copper operation commenced production in 2005. In early 2011 a copper expansion project was completed that increased annual production capacity from approximately 65,000 tonnes to 80,000 tonnes of copper cathode per annum.

About Minmetals Resources Limited

MMR, a company incorporated under the laws of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China, together with its subsidiaries and jointly-controlled entities and associates, owns and operates a portfolio of significant base metal mining operations, development and exploration projects. MMR is one of the world’s largest producers of zinc, and is engaged in mining, processing and production of copper, lead, gold and silver. MMR currently has mining operations located in Australia and Laos and a large portfolio of advanced and early stage exploration projects in Australia, Africa, Asia and North America. The shares of MMR are listed on the Main Board of the HKSE (Stock Code: 1208). China Minmetals Corporation is the ultimate controlling shareholder of MMR.

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By order of the Board
Minmetals Resources Limited
Andrew Gordon Michelmores
CEO and Executive Director

Hong Kong, 29 February 2012

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises eleven directors, of which four are executive directors, namely Mr. Hao Chuanfu (Vice Chairman), Mr. Andrew Gordon Michelmores, Mr. David Mark Lamont and Mr. Li Liangang; four are non-executive directors, namely Mr. Wang Lixin (Chairman), Mr. Jiao Jian, Mr. Xu Jiqing and Mr. Gao Xiaoyu; and three are independent non-executive directors, namely Mr. Loong Ping Kwan, Dr. Peter William Cassidy and Mr. Anthony Charles Larkin.