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MINMETALS RESOURCES LIMITED

CHINA MINMETALS NON-FERROUS METALS COMPANY LIMITED

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1208)

(A joint stock limited company incorporated in the PRC)

JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT VERY SUBSTANTIAL ACQUISITION, CONNECTED TRANSACTION AND REVERSE TAKEOVER INVOLVING A NEW LISTING APPLICATION, AND CONTINUING CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS EXPECTED COMPLETION OF PLACING AND ACQUISITION

The directors of the Company and CMN are pleased to announce that completion of the Placing and the Acquisition is expected to take place before 9.30 a.m. on 6 October 2005.

Reference is made to the joint announcements of Minmetals Resources Limited (formerly known as Oriental Metals (Holdings) Company Limited) (the "Company") and China Minmetals Non-ferrous Metals Company Limited ("CMN") dated 30 December 2004, 19 January 2005, 29 June 2005, 30 June 2005, 25 July 2005, 16 September 2005 and 29 September 2005, respectively, the announcement of the Company dated 9 August 2005 and the circulars of the Company dated 30 June 2005 and 16 September 2005, respectively, regarding the proposed acquisition by the Company of the entire interest of Top Create Resources Limited ("Top Create Resources") in Peak Strategic Industries Limited. Unless the context otherwise requires, terms used in this announcement shall have the same respective meanings as those defined in the Company's circular dated 30 June 2005 (the "Circular").

EXPECTED COMPLETION OF THE PLACING AND THE ACQUISITION

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Subject to completion of the Placing and the Acquisition, which is scheduled to take place prior to 9:30 a.m. on 6 October 2005, dealings in the 98,000,000 new Shares offered by the Company under the Placing and the Consideration Shares will commence at 9:30 a.m. on 6 October 2005.

The following table sets out the shareholding structure of the Company immediately upon completion of the Placing and the Acquisition:

> **Immediately** after completion of the Placing and the Acquisition

> > %

74.92

25.08

Shareholders

Coppermine and Top Create Resources Public Shareholders Total

By order of the board China Minmetals Non-ferrous Metals Company Limited **Zhang Shoulian** President

1.284,467,826 429,972,695 1,714,440,521 100.00

By order of the board **Minmetals Resources Limited** Xu Huizhong Director and President

Number of Shares

Hong Kong, 5 October 2005

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Messrs. LIN Xizhong (Chairman), XU Huizhong, QIAN Wenchao and TANG Xiaojin and the independent non-executive Directors are Messrs. LIU Hongru, CHAN Wai Dune and TING Leung Huel, Stephen.

The directors of the Company jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this announcement (other than that in relation to the Minmetals Group and the Target Group) and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this announcement (other than that in relation to the Minmetals Group and the Target Group) have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this announcement the omission of which would make any statement in this announcement (other than that in relation to the Minmetals Group and the Target Group) misleading.

The directors of CMN jointly and severally accepts full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this announcement (other than that in relation to the Group) and confirms, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this announcement (other than that in relation to the Group) have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this announcement the omission of which would make any statement in this announcement (other than that in relation to the Group) misleading.

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