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## Media release: MMG appoints head of Business Development

MMG announced today the appointment of Mr Mike Nossal as Executive General Manager Business Development. Mr Nossal will commence next week at the company's head office in Melbourne and report to Chief Executive Officer Mr Andrew Michelmore.

Mr Nossal has recently returned to Australia from Europe, where he was Deputy CEO of En+Group. He brings significant international mining industry experience to MMG having worked in the international mining industry since 1987. His mining experience spans executive roles in business development prior to joining EN+ at WMC and Normandy Poseidon.

"We are delighted that Mike is back in Australia and able to take up this role with MMG," said Mr Michelmore.

"Together with our parent company, China Minmetals, we aim to grow MMG into a major midtier resource company. Attracting someone of Mike's calibre to this role is key to achieving this."

Mr Nossal is a former Associate Director at Macquarie Corporate Finance Limited, where he worked in the resources team on public market mergers and acquisitions, project finance and mining asset sales and acquisitions and brings a strong blend of mining and commercial expertise to MMG.

Mr Nossal holds a Science Degree from Monash University in Melbourne and a Masters of Business Administration from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.

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