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ANNOUNCEMENT

IN RELATION TO A RECOMMENDED TAKEOVER OFFER TO ACQUIRE ALL OF THE COMMON SHARES IN ANVIL MINING LIMITED

COMPLETION OF COMPULSORY ACQUISITION OF REMAINING COMMON SHARES IN ANVIL MINING LIMITED

References are made to the announcement of Minmetals Resources Limited (the "Company") dated 30 September 2011 (the "Announcement") in relation to the Support Agreement, pursuant to which the Offeror (a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company) will make an all-cash recommended takeover offer to acquire all of the Common Shares in Anvil Mining Limited ("Anvil") on a fully diluted basis (the "Offer"), and all subsequent announcements in relation to the Offer. Unless otherwise stated, capitalised terms used herein shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcement.

COMPLETION OF COMPULSORY ACQUISITION

As at the date of this announcement, the Offeror has successfully acquired the remaining 3,191,428 Common Shares (including shares that are subject to CDIs) not already owned by the Offeror, representing approximately 1.93% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares, pursuant to a previously announced compulsory acquisition carried out pursuant to the provisions of the Business Corporations Act (Northwest Territories, Canada). As a result of such acquisition, the Company now has indirect ownership of 100% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares.

The Company announces that the Common Shares were delisted from the Toronto Stock Exchange and the CDIs were delisted from the Australian Securities Exchange as of the close of markets on 19 March 2012 (Toronto time) in Toronto and Sydney, respectively.

The Company further announces that it intends to cause Anvil to apply to the relevant securities regulatory authorities to cease to be a reporting issuer under Canadian securities law.

GENERAL

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By order of the Board

Minmetals Resources Limited

Andrew Gordon Michelmore

CEO and Executive Director

Hong Kong, 20 March 2012

As at the date of this announcement, the board of directors of the Company comprises eleven directors, of which four are executive directors, namely Mr. Hao Chuanfu (Vice Chairman), Mr. Andrew Gordon Michelmore, 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.