



Stock Exchange Announcement

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On behalf of: Target Resources plc

Target Resources plc (“Target” or the “Company”)
Grant of new Exclusive Prospecting Licences

Target Resources plc (AIM:TGT), the alluvial diamond and gold mining company operating in Sierra Leone, announces that it has acquired the following Exclusive Prospecting Licences (“EPL”), each for a term of two years from 31 December 2007. The licenses are the first awarded under the mineral licensing programme of the new Sierra Leone Government.

- **The first EPL is for Gold and other minerals covering 520.45 sq. km (200.94 sq. miles) in the Tane and Gbonkolenken Chiefdoms in the Tonkolili District of the Northern Province of Sierra Leone (“Northern Province”).**

This licence lies between the Kangari Hills on its east side and the Pampana and Nasi Rivers on its west and north side with the Teye River running near its southern boundary.

The recovery of alluvial gold from this area by small scale miners commenced in the 1930s and is still ongoing under the Government Supervised Artisanal Gold Mining Scheme. The Pampana, Wungi and Teye Rivers have been proven to contain interesting concentrations of alluvial gold in their channels, flanking flats and terraces.

The licence area covers part of the largest greenstone belt in Sierra Leone, which is recognised as being highly prospective for gold. This is supported by a United Nations funded sampling programme in the headwaters of the Nasi River in the 1980s, which highlighted a number of primary gold anomalies in the area.

- **The second EPL is for Diamonds, Gold and other precious minerals and metals covering 253.57 sq. km (97.88 sq. miles) in Faiyama Area, Nomo Chiefdom, Kenema District in the Eastern Province of Sierra Leone.**

This licence lies along a 30 mile length of the Moro River which forms the border with Liberia in the south east of Sierra Leone. It was previously held by Gondwana Investments SA but was not explored. The full width of the river is included within the licence.

This area is known for coloured or so-called “fancy” diamonds, which gain high market value. These diamonds have been and are still being recovered in the Makpele Chiefdom downriver from the licence area, and are thought to be derived from a primary source different from those known in the Kono and Tongo fields.

The presence of primary diamond sources (kimberlites) has been revealed by recent work on the land across the Moro River in Liberia, by Mano River Resources Inc.

Commenting on the new licences, Dr Nissim Levy, Managing Director, said:

“We are delighted to have obtained these important licences right at the start of the new government’s mineral licensing programme, and believe the awards demonstrate the strength of our relationship with the new government in Sierra Leone. In our opinion, they add substantially to Target’s growth prospects and we look forward to maximising the full potential of these licences for our investors.

“We are also pleased to confirm that we are on schedule with our machinery acquisition programme which will facilitate enhanced production from our Kono licences.”

The technical aspects of this announcement have been reviewed by Mr M. B. Mansaray, consulting geologist to Target in Sierra Leone. Mr Mansaray graduated in 1973 with a B.Sc in Geology, from the University of Sierra Leone. Since then he has worked for the Sierra Leone Ministry of Mineral Resources, and he is currently the Director of its Geological Survey Division. His experience spans over 30 years in the practice of geology combined with extensive field exploration and reconnaissance geological mapping with special interest in the exploration for gold, base metals and diamonds.

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About Target

- Target is an alluvial diamond mining and exploration company operating in Sierra Leone.
- The Company's shares were admitted to AIM in July 2006.
- Target is among the first large scale mining ventures to be established in Sierra Leone since the end of the civil war in 2002.
- The Company has 4,263 acres (17.25 sq km) under mining leases in the rich diamond and gold area of Kono, which is recognised as the most productive area for diamond mining in Sierra Leone.

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