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Zijin Mining Group Co., Ltd.<sup>\*</sup>

紫金礦業集團股份有限公司

(a joint stock limited company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability) (Stock code: 2899)

## **PAYMENT OF 2008 FINAL DIVIDEND**

Reference is made to the annual results announcement for the year ended 31 December 2008 dated 20 March 2009, the announcement about the notice of 2008 annual general meeting dated 27 March 2009, the announcement about the proposed final dividend and withholding and payment of enterprise income tax for non-resident enterprise shareholders in respect of 2008 final dividend dated 27 March 2009, the announcement about the conversion of Renminbi into Hong Kong Dollar for 2008 final dividend dated 16 April 2009 and the announcement about the resolutions passed at the 2008 annual general meeting dated 15 May 2009 (the "Announcements") of Zijin Mining Group Co., Ltd.\* (the "Company"), the contents of which, among other things, relates to the payment of 2008 final dividend. The terms defined in the Announcements shall apply hereto unless otherwise defined.

The board of directors of the Company announces that the Company distributed a final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2008 of Renminbi ("**RMB**") 0.10 (tax included) (equivalent to approximately Hong Kong dollars ("**HK\$**") 0.113411) per share to shareholders (the "**Shareholders**") whose names appeared on the H shares ("**H Share(s**)") register of members of the Company on the record date (the "**Record Date**") of 15 May 2009. Holders of H Shares who are entitled to the payment of the final dividend shall receive the same on 10 June 2009 by ordinary post at their own risk.

Pursuant to the "Enterprise Income Tax Law of the People's Republic of China" and the "Detailed Rules for the Implementation of the Enterprise Income Tax Law of the People's Republic of China" (the "**Tax Law**"), both implemented in 2008, the Company has an obligation to withhold for payment the 10% enterprise income tax from the payment of the 2008 final dividend to shareholders who are non-resident enterprise (including HKSCC (Nominees) Limited) whose names are registered on the register of members of the Company (the "**Register**") as of the Record Date. The term "non-resident enterprise" when used in this announcement shall have the same meaning as defined under the Tax Law and its relevant rules and regulations.

Investors should notice that the Company has no obligation and will not be responsible for confirming the identities of any shareholders. The Company will withhold for payment the enterprise income tax, strictly in accordance with the Tax Law and its relevant rules and regulations, based on the information contained in the Register on the Record Date. The Company will owe no liability whatsoever in respect of and will not entertain any claims arising from any delay in, or inaccurate determination of, the status of the shareholders or any disputes over the mechanism of withholding.

## PAYMENT OF FINAL DIVIDEND

The Company paid a final dividend of RMB0.10 (tax included) (equivalent to approximately HK\$0.113411) per share, for the year ended 31 December 2008, on 10 June 2009. Payment has been made to the Shareholders of the Company whose names appeared on the H Shares register of members of the Company

on the Record Date of 15 May 2009. Dividends payable to holders of H Shares of the Company have been paid in Hong Kong dollars.

The amount of final dividend payable for each H Share is HK\$0.113411(tax included). Such final dividends have been paid by Bank of China (Hong Kong) Trustees Limited, the Company's receiving agent in Hong Kong, and have been mailed by Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited to the holders of H Shares who are entitled to receive the same, by ordinary post at their own risk on 10 June 2009.

As at the date of this announcement, the Board of Directors of the Company comprises Messrs. Chen Jinghe (Chairman), Liu Xiaochu, Luo Yingnan, Lan Fusheng, Huang Xiaodong, and Zou Laichang as executive directors, Mr. Peng Jiaqing as non-executive director, and Messrs. Chen Yuchuan, Su Congfu, Lin Yongjing, and Loong Ping Kwan as independent non-executive directors.

By Order of the Board of Directors Zijin Mining Group Co., Ltd.\* Chen Jinghe Chairman

Fujian, China, 10 June 2009

\* The Company's English name is for identification purpose only