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**Zijin Mining Group Co., Ltd.\***

**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)**

**ANNOUNCEMENT  
CASH OFFER FOR INDOPHIL RESOURCES NL  
APPROVAL FROM THE FOREIGN INVESTMENT REVIEW BOARD OF AUSTRALIA  
& OFFER PERIOD**

Reference is made to the announcements (the “**Announcements**”) of Zijin Mining Group Co., Ltd.\* (the “**Company**”) dated 1 December 2009 and 23 December 2009 in relation to its Offer for all of the issued shares in Indophil. Unless otherwise defined herein, capitalised terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcements.

The Company is pleased to announce that Golden Resource Mining (BVI) Limited (a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company) (the “**Bidder**”), has on 7 January 2010 obtained approval of the Foreign Investment Review Board of Australia (“**FIRB**”) in respect of the Offer, in fulfillment of the condition set out in paragraph (c) of Appendix 2 to its Bidder's Statement.

Further, the Bidder advises that:

- its Bidder's Statement will be despatched on Monday 18 January 2010 to all persons registered as Indophil security holders as at 7:00pm (Sydney time) on 13 January 2010. The despatch version of the Bidder's Statement will be released to ASX on 18 January 2010; and
- the offer period will commence on Monday 18 January 2010 and will close at 7:00pm (Melbourne time) on Friday 19 March 2010, unless it is extended in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) of Australia.

**Investors and shareholders are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the shares of the Company.**

This announcement is made by the Company on a voluntary basis.

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

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

8 January 2010, Fujian, the PRC

*\*The English name of the Company is for identification purpose only*