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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

### A Summary of Norton Gold Fields Limited's 2012 Annual Results

Norton Gold Fields Limited ("Norton", stock code "NGF" on the Australian Securities Exchange), a subsidiary of Zijin Mining Group Co., Ltd.\* (the "Company"), issued its 2012 annual report on 27 September 2012 (Norton's financial year end date in 2012 is 30 June 2012). The summary of the audited financial information prepared in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards is as follows:

Currency: A\$'000

Items	For the twelve months ended 30 June		Increase/Decrease (%)
	2012	2011	
Revenue	245,912	211,685	16.2
Profit before tax	19,964	20,761	-3.8
Profit for the year attributable to the owners of the parent entity	11,828	13,142	-10.0
Basic earnings per share (A\$)	\$0.014	\$0.020	-30.0
Diluted earnings per share (A\$)	\$0.014	\$0.019	-26.3
	30 June 2012	30 June 2011	Increase/Decrease (%)
Total Assets	276,053	250,555	10.2
Net Assets	164,088	112,868	45.4
Outstanding ordinary shares (share)	849,580,265	685,880,265	23.9

Norton has changed its financial year end date from 30 June to 31 December, with

effect from 1 July 2012 to align Norton's financial year end date with that of its ultimate parent company, Zijin Mining Group Co., Ltd.\*

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

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

As at the date of this announcement, the Board of Directors of the Company comprises Messrs. Chen Jinghe (Chairman), Luo Yingnan, Qiu Xiaohua, 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*

27 September 2012, Fujian, the PRC

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