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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 in relation to a Non-binding, Conditional and Indicative Proposal  
to Acquire All the Issued Shares from Norton Gold Fields Limited's Other  
Shareholders**

Norton Gold Fields Limited ("Norton", stock code "NGF" on the Australian Securities Exchange ("ASX")), a subsidiary of Zijin Mining Group Co., Ltd.\* (the "Company"), announces that it has received an indicative, conditional and non-binding proposal (the "Proposal") from the Company (being the majority shareholder of Norton) to acquire all of the issued securities that the Company does not already own (approximately 17.57% of total issued shares as at the date of this announcement) (the "Shares").

The Proposal is to acquire all of the Shares for A\$0.20 per share by way of a scheme of arrangement. The total consideration for the acquisition of all the Shares will be approximately A\$33 million. Norton has appointed a committee comprising its independent directors to consider the Proposal.

The Company will make further announcement regarding the Proposal as and when required.

Since there is no certainty nor guarantee that the Proposal will proceed, Norton advises its shareholders not to take any action in relation to the Proposal at this stage.

This announcement is made on a voluntary basis.

**Investors and shareholders are advised by the board of directors 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), Wang Jianhua, Qiu Xiaohua, Lan Fusheng, Zou Laichang, and Lin Hongfu as executive directors, Mister. Li Jian as non-executive director, and Messrs. Lu Shihua, Ding Shida, Qiu Guanzhou, and Sit Hoi Wah, Kenneth as independent non-executive directors.

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

Fujian, the PRC, 13 January 2015

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