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## MINISTRY OF MINES APPROVES LELOUMA ACQUISITION

- **The Guinean Ministry of Mines and Geology has granted approval for a change in control of Sarmin Bauxite Limited (“Sarmin”), the company that holds the rights to the Lelouma Bauxite Project.**
- **Lindian can acquire a 75% interest in the world-class Lelouma Bauxite Project (“Lelouma”), which currently has a JORC-Compliant Mineral Resource Estimate of 900 Mt @ 45.0 %Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> & 2.1% SiO<sub>2</sub><sup>3</sup>**
- **The final condition precedent to the Lelouma acquisition<sup>1</sup> is Lindian shareholder approval.**
- **Lindian shareholders will have the opportunity to approve the transaction at the upcoming AGM to be held on Friday 20 November 2020.**

Lindian Resources Limited (**ASX:LIN**) (“Lindian” or “the Company”) is very pleased to advise that the Guinean Ministry of Mines and Geology has provided written approval for a change in control of Sarmin Bauxite Limited (“Sarmin”) the company that holds the rights to the Lelouma Bauxite Project, to Lindian.

On 23 September 2020 Lindian announced it had entered into an Investment Deed with Sarmin’s controlling shareholder, Sarmin Mining Inc (“SMI”) and its other existing shareholders, (the “Investment Deed”) under which Lindian will acquire 75% of the shares on issue in Sarmin, the company that owns the Lelouma Project.

The Ministry of Mines approval was one condition precedent to the acquisition. The final condition precedent to the acquisition is Lindian shareholder approval. Lindian shareholders will have the opportunity to approve the transaction at the upcoming AGM to be held on Friday 20 November 2020 (Refer ASX release 19 October – Notice of Annual General Meeting)

Lindian acknowledges the Minister of Mines & Geology, Hon Mr Abdoulaye Magassouba and Ministry of Mines for their long term vision to promote the bauxite industry of Guinea. There are currently eight (8) bauxite exporters in Guinea, up from two (2) in 2014, driven in part by government policies of co-operation and infrastructure sharing among bauxite exporters.

Guinea is now the dominant exporting country in Africa, comprising 95% of all African bauxite export and the largest bauxite exporting country to China<sup>2</sup>.

<sup>1</sup>Refer to Lindian’s ASX announcements dated 23 September 2020 relating to the transaction for Lindian to acquire a 75% interest in the Lelouma project.

<sup>2</sup> US Geological Society

<sup>3</sup>Refer to Lindian’s ASX announcements dated 6 October 2020 relating to details for the updated Mineral Resource Statement for the Lelouma Project.

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Lindian Chairman Asimwe Kabunga commented **“We are very pleased to be progressing this transaction. Lelouma is a Tier 1 Bauxite asset and it complements our Woula and Gaoual projects and also our strategy to identify low capex solutions to commence DSO bauxite production”**

### LELOUMA PROJECT

The Lelouma Project has an exceptional resource base and has been systematically explored with over US\$10 million of historic expenditure by Sarmin and Lelouma’s previous owner, Mitsubishi Corporation. The plateaux hosting the Lelouma bauxite mineralisation are located around 100km northeast of Sangarédi, site of the CBG railway line loading area. The rail line is in turn around 100 km northeast of the port in Kamsar, which exports up to 25Mtpa of bauxite (Refer Image 2) . Lelouma is located just 40km from Lindian’s high grade Gaoual conglomerate bauxite project, with both projects within haul distance of existing rail infrastructure presenting the opportunity to fast-track development, moderate capital investment and deliver some of the highest grade ore into the global bauxite market.

### LELOUMA PROJECT (Lindian 75%)

- Mineral Resource Estimate (JORC 2012)

**900 Mt @ 45.0% Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> & 2.1% SiO<sub>2</sub><sup>3</sup>**

- (Including 398 Mt @ 48.1 Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> & 2.0% SiO<sub>2</sub>)
- Resource Category – Measured + Indicated + Inferred, including 155Mt measured category

### GAOUAL PROJECT (Lindian 75%)

- Mineral Resource Estimate (JORC 2012)

**101.5 Mt @ 49.8% Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> & 11.5% SiO<sub>2</sub><sup>1</sup>**

- Resource Category - Indicated

### WOULA PROJECT (Lindian 75%)

- Mineral Resource Estimate (JORC 2012)

**19 Mt @ 41.7% Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> & 3.2% SiO<sub>2</sub><sup>2</sup>**

- Resource Category – Inferred
- Cut off >40% Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> / 1m thick / < 1:1 strip ratio

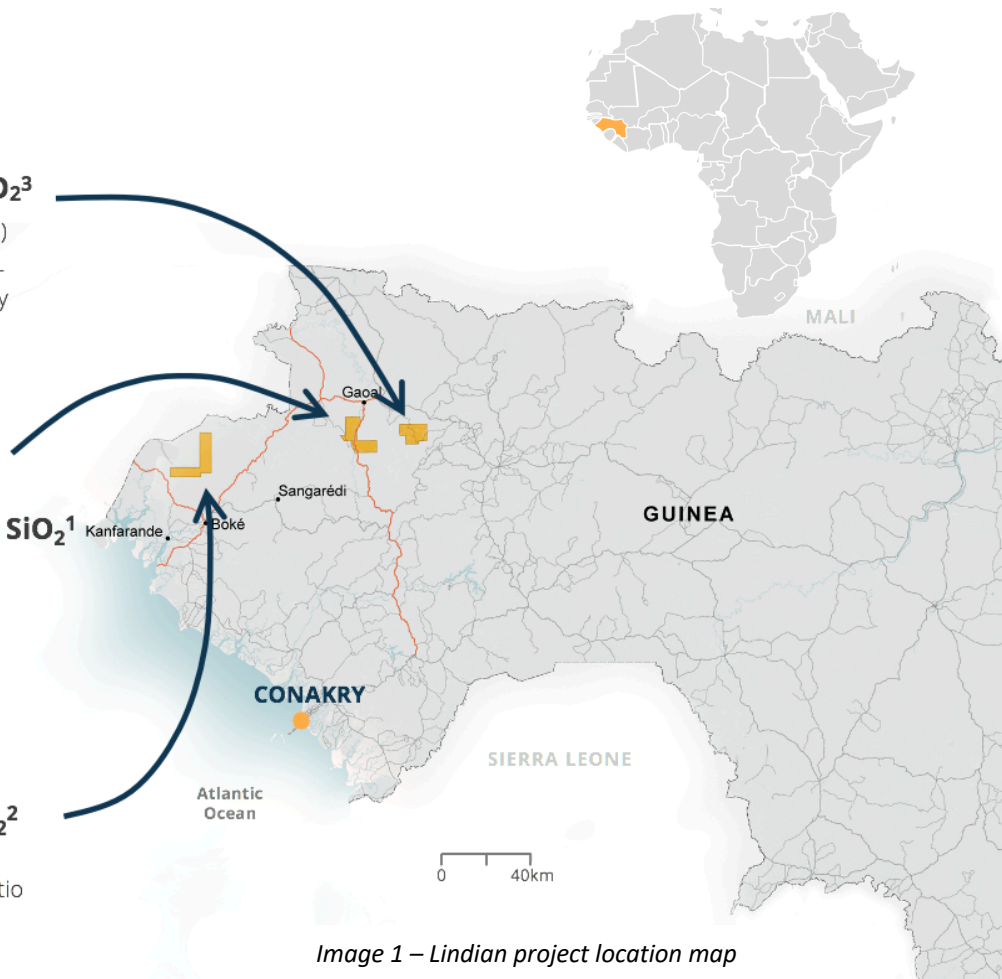


Image 1 – Lindian project location map

<sup>1</sup>Refer to Lindian’s ASX announcements dated 10 April 2019 and 8 May 2019 for full details of the option agreement and exploration results for the Gaoual Project

<sup>2</sup> Refer to Lindian’s ASX announcements dated 23 September 2020 relating to details for the proposed acquisition of the Lelouma and Woula Projects and the Mineral Resource Estimates for the Woula Project.

<sup>2</sup> High grade portion of Global Mineral Resource Estimate 64Mt @ 38% Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> & 3.1% SiO<sub>2</sub>

<sup>3</sup> Refer to Lindian’s ASX announcements dated 6 October 2020 relating to details for the updated Mineral Resource Statement for the Lelouma Project.



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Image 2 – Bauxite mining licences and infrastructure - Guinea

**Next Steps;**

The Company’s next steps and actions related to project development are;

- Initiate discussions with government and third parties regarding access to existing infrastructure.
- Engage Infrastructure companies to collaborate on development options.
- Define export options to be considered as part of Scoping Studies.
- Engage with offtakers and refineries to demonstrate value of potential production.

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This ASX announcement was authorised for release by the Lindian Board.

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### ABOUT LINDIAN RESOURCES LIMITED

Lindian Resources Limited ("Lindian") is a bauxite focussed exploration company listed on the Australian Stock Exchange under the ASX code LIN. Lindian is focused on the exploration and development of its portfolio of world class bauxite assets in Guinea including the high-grade conglomerate bauxite asset at Gaoual, the Tier-1 Lelouma bauxite asset and the near-to-infrastructure Woula Project. The combination of assets offers the opportunity for near term production, while simultaneously advancing large scale projects capable supplying refineries with high quality DSO ore (high alumina/low silica) for decades into the future.

Lindian also has two bauxite licences in Tanzania at Lushoto and Pare, which are currently at an early stage, but offer geographical diversification within the Company's bauxite portfolio.

The Company also holds a number of early-stage gold licences in Tanzania, which are currently under review.

The Company's strategy is to develop projects that meet international standards of environmental compliance, create benefits for the local communities and deliver strong returns for the Company's shareholders.

