



Celamin Holdings N.L

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CNL STRENGTHENS BOARD WITH NEW DIRECTOR & CHAIRMAN

Board of Directors

David Regan (Managing Director)

Andrew Thomson (Non-Executive Chairman)

Melanie Leydin (Non-executive Director)

Justin Mouchacca (Non-executive Director)

Company Secretary

Melanie Leydin

Securities on Issue:

CNL: 53,956,177 ordinary shares

CNLO: 25,367,001 options expiring 31
March 2014

CNLCA: 15,471,296 partly paid shares

The Board of Celamin Holdings NL (ASX Code: CNL) is pleased to announce the appointments of Mr. Andrew Thomson as Non-Executive Chairman to the Board of Directors. This appointment will take immediate effect as at 4 January 2012.

The Honourable Andrew P. Thomson BA, LLB, LLM

Mr. Thomson lives in Tokyo and works as a consultant to Minter Ellison Lawyers working in the Middle East and Asia on investment and government relations matters. He is also chairman of Athena Resources Limited (ASX Code: AHN) and Gulf & Asian Mining Pty Ltd.

Mr. Thomson had been a member of the Board of Directors of Citadel Resources Group and its Chairman until its takeover by Equinox Minerals in 2011.

Until 2005 Mr. Thomson lived in Washington D.C. where he served at the World Bank as an Assistant and Acting Executive Secretary of the Inspection Panel. In this role Mr Thomson conducted investigations of developing world projects. He also practiced as an attorney with Willkie Farr & Gallagher.

Mr Thomson spent the early years of his career in Tokyo working as a fund manager for GT Management (Japan) Ltd and later as an investment banker at Credit Suisse-First Boston (Japan) focusing on Japanese equities and fixed income funds and commodity-based derivatives.

Before moving to Washington D.C. in 2001 Mr Thomson was a Member of Parliament in Australia, representing a district in Sydney in the House of Representatives. During the 1990s he served as Parliamentary Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Minister for Sport, Tourism, and Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Sydney 2000 Games, Chairman of the Australia-Japan Parliamentary Friendship League, and Chairman of the Joint Standing Committee on Treaties (JSCOT).

Mr Thomson is a graduate of the Law Faculty of the University of Melbourne, the International Center of Keio University in Tokyo, and Georgetown University Law Center. His other languages are Japanese, Mandarin Chinese, and Arabic.



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Managing Director, David Regan said he was delighted that a Director with such experience as Mr. Thomson's is joining the Board and that his role as Chairman will focus CNL on building its portfolio of asset into a business in North Africa for the benefit of all shareholders.

About Celamin Holdings NL

Celamin Holdings NL (ASX Code CNL) is an ASX listed company focused on the exploration and development of resource projects in North Africa initially in Tunisia and Algeria.

Through Celamin Ltd (Celamin), the Company's immediate focus is the Bir El Afou Phosphate project held in partnership with local company Tunisian Mining Services SA (TMS). A pre feasibility study has now been completed at Bir El Afou and, following the study's recommendation, further delineation work is ongoing.

Celamin also holds another Phosphate exploration permit in Tunisia with TMS (Chaketma). This project has larger target potential than Bir El Afou. The Chaketma project would use the same rail and port infrastructure as for the Bir El Afou project. The first results from channel sampling and drilling at Chaketma have been announced.

Celamin continues to step up work to carry out a due diligence drilling program for its farm-in to an Exploitation Permit at the Oued El Kabir precious and base metal project in Algeria.

Celamin has also acquired rights to several base metal tailings Projects in Tunisia with TMS and is the holder of three Exploration Permits with base metal (Pb/Zn) targets on a 50/50 basis with TMS.

For further details, please contact:

DAVID REGAN
MANAGING DIRECTOR