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# NEW HEADQUARTERS CONSTRUCTION COMMENCES

Bougainville Mineral Investments (BMI) today announced commencement of construction of its’ new corporate headquarters for the Autonomous Region of Bougainville (AROB).

BMI has entered into a 50-yr commercial lease with the Sitasung Co-operative Society Inc. and The Sitasung Clan of Yokomori Village, in the Taonita Teop Constituency.

“This is the first time that an exploration company in Bougainville has announced building its’ headquarters on the actual Landowners land,” said Peter Tengka BMI Operations Manager.

“Currently all other exploration companies in Bougainville have offices in Buka or Arawa,” Tengka said, “BMI have actively made the decision to live and work together with our Landowners from day one.”

“Construction will now commence and we will engage and employ all local contractors and trades,” said Tengka. “The building will be built to the highest environmental standards employing solar power and low environmental impact technologies.”

“Once completed our new headquarters will also have office facilities for the Taonita Teop Resource Owners,” he said, “It’s all about being an integral part of the community BMI is working in. It’s about transparency. It’s about immediacy and being hands-on.”

The surrounding district will also benefit from BMI upgrading the current medical facilities at Kekesu Health Centre, as a part of these works.

Asked about the working relationship with Great Divide Mining (ASX:GDM) Peter said, ”We continue to follow GDM’s Australian activities, and we continue to be impressed. Their focus on protecting the environment, their community engagement, their rapid development are all industry leading,”

“We look forward to a long, transparent and mutually beneficial relationship with Bougainville and its people,” said BMI’s Chairman Paul Ryan.

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**Bougainville Mineral Investments Ltd (BMI)**

BMI is partnering with the emerging nation of Bougainville to assist in founding a responsible resources sector, with significant landholder ownership. 6 projects are staged for delivery, 5 display significant gold prospectivity, with at surface resource mineralisation and high-grade target evident. First mining tenement has been granted at Teop, with 1 granted exploration licence and a further 2 exploration licences in application. Located on the Pacific Ring of Fire, 9,980 km of Helimag surveys have identified 64 targets of interest.

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Great Divide Mining is an Australian Gold, Antimony and critical metals miner, explorer and developer with five projects across 17 tenements (including two in application). GDM’s focus is on operating producing assets within areas of historical mining and past exploration with nearby infrastructure, thus enabling rapid development. Through a staged exploration and development programme, GDM intends to generate cash flow from its initial projects to support further exploration across its portfolio of highly prospective tenements.

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