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## **CNNC INTERNATIONAL LIMITED**

# 中核國際有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 2302)

# REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF OUTSTANDING LOAN REPAYMENT AND TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF PRODUCTION BY AN ASSOCIATE

This announcement is made by CNNC International Limited (the "Company" together with its subsidiaries, the "Group") pursuant to Rule 13.19 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Listing Rules") and Rule 13.09 (2) of the Listing Rules and the Inside Information Provisions under Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong). Reference is made to the announcements dated 31st October, 2014, 17th February and 30th April, 2015 of the Company (collectively, the "Announcements") in relation to the extension of repayment of the outstanding payment by Société des Mines d'Azelik S.A. ("Somina") under the Loan Agreement and the temporary suspension of production by Somina. Terms in this announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcements unless defined otherwise.

#### Outstanding Loan Repayment

The Company has been informed by Somina that as at the date of this announcement, the outstanding principal of the Loan is approximately US\$78,100,000, and other than the New Outstanding Payment, no other instalment or accrued interest under the Loan is due and outstanding. Somina is still in a tight cash flow position, and continues to be in discussion with its principal bankers and shareholders, including the Group, regarding the provision of financings. To the best knowledge of the Company, the Lender has not made any demand for immediate repayment of the Loan, or taken enforcement action in respect of the Pledged Interest.

### Temporary Suspension of Niger Mine

According to the Announcements, the temporary redundancy arrangement between Somina and the local workforce in Niger will expire by the end of June 2015. The Company has been informed by Somina that its management has been negotiating with the local workforce, and is in the course of seeking the approval of its board of directors, on the terms (such as the length of extension period and amounts of wage payment during such period) regarding the

extension of the temporary redundancy arrangement. The Niger Mine is still under temporary suspension and its production is expected to resume, as soon as Somina's cash flow position is improved.

The Board is closely monitoring the situation. Further announcement(s) will be made as and when appropriate in accordance with the Listing Rules.

Shareholders of the Company and potential investors are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the shares of the Company.

By Order of the Board **CNNC International Limited**中核國際有限公司
Li Philip Sau Yan *Company Secretary* 

Hong Kong, 30th June, 2015

As of the date of this announcement, the Board comprises chairman and non-executive director, namely, Mr. Du Yunbin, executive director, namely, Ms. Wang Ying, non-executive director, namely, Mr. Xu Shouyi and independent non-executive directors, namely, Mr. Cheong Ying Chew Henry, Mr. Cui Liguo and Mr. Zhang Lei.