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## **CLARIFICATION ANNOUNCEMENT**

## Lease of office premises

Reference is made to the announcement (the "Announcement") of Minmetals Land Limited (the "Company") dated 30 September 2019 relating to the Company's continuing connected transaction in relation to the Tenancy Agreement. Unless otherwise defined, capitalised terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcement.

As disclosed in the Announcement, on 30 September 2019, Minmetals Land Beijing (as tenant) entered into the Tenancy Agreement with Fifth Plaza Co (as landlord), pursuant to which Minmetals Land Beijing agreed to lease from Fifth Plaza Co the Premises and the Car Parking Spaces, with a term from 1 October 2019 to 30 September 2022. As further disclosed in the Announcement, the entering into of the Tenancy Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereunder (i.e. the Transaction) constituted continuing connected transaction for the Company under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

The Board wishes to clarify that, based on the latest applicable financial reporting standards, the Transaction should instead be classified as a one-off connected transaction for the Company.

The Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards (the "HKFRS") 16 "Leases" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, which forms part of the financial reporting standards applicable to the Group, came into effect on 1 January 2019. According to this newly-implemented HKFRS 16, the Group, as the lessee, shall recognise a lease as a right-of-use asset and a lease liability in the consolidated statement of financial position of the Group. As such, the Transaction should be regarded as an acquisition of asset under the definition of transaction set out in Rule 14.04(1)(a) of the Listing Rules. The value of the right-of-use asset recognised under the Transaction is RMB9,784,077 (approximately HK\$11,194,000) (the "Value of the Right-of-use Asset"). The amount of lease liability recognised under the Transaction shall be the same as the Value of the Right-of-use Asset recognised. The Value of the Right-of-use Asset will be amortised over the lease period.

As the highest applicable ratio for the Value of the Right-of-use Asset in respect of the connected transaction contemplated under the Transaction exceeds 0.1% but is less than 5%, the Transaction remains to be subject only to the reporting and announcement requirements but

exempt from circular (including independent financial advice) and independent shareholders' approval requirements under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

Save as the information stated above, all the information in the Announcement remains unchanged.

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By order of the Board **He Jianbo** *Chairman* 

Hong Kong, 14 October 2019

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises eight Directors, namely Mr. He Jianbo as the Chairman and an executive Director, Mr. Liu Zeping, Mr. Chen Xingwu and Mr. Yang Shangping as executive Directors, Ms. He Xiaoli as a non-executive Director, and Mr. Selwyn Mar, Mr. Lam Chung Lun, Billy and Ms. Law Fan Chiu Fun, Fanny as independent non-executive Directors.