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**Update from the Independent Committee of the Board of
Eurasian Natural Resources Corporation PLC (the “Company” or “ENRC”)**

Statement regarding extension of Rule 2.6 deadline

In accordance with Rule 2.6(a) of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers (the “Code”), the consortium consisting of Mr Chodiev, Mr Ibragimov, Mr Machkevitch, the Committee of the State Property and Privatisation of the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Kazakhstan (acting on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan) and JSC Sovereign Wealth Fund "Samruk-Kazyna" (together, the "Consortium") was required, by not later than 5pm today (the “Code Deadline”), to either announce a firm intention to make an offer for ENRC in accordance with Rule 2.7 of the Code or announce that it does not intend to make an offer.

The Independent Committee of the Board of ENRC (the “Independent Committee”) has received a request from the Consortium to extend the Code Deadline to 5pm on 24 June 2013 (the “Revised Deadline”). Before agreeing to seek an extension, which the Panel on Takeovers and Mergers (the “Panel”) has now consented to, the Independent Committee asked for, and received, written assurances from all members of the Consortium that the Consortium expects to secure the necessary approvals to be in a position to make an offer for ENRC under Rule 2.7 of the Code by the Revised Deadline.

Notwithstanding the above, there can be no certainty that an offer for ENRC will be made by the Revised Deadline, nor as to the terms on which any offer will be made.

The Chairman of the Independent Committee, Dr Mohsen Khalil, said: “The Independent Committee asked the Panel to grant the extension after receiving written assurances from the Consortium that it has made considerable progress towards making a Rule 2.7 offer for ENRC. This request to the Panel was made by the Independent Committee with the expectation that any revised proposal will have regard to the Independent Committee’s strong view that the initial proposal materially undervalued ENRC.”

A further update will be provided as appropriate.

Note 3 of Rule 2.5 of the Code requires the Independent Committee to point out that this statement is being made by it without prior agreement or approval of the Consortium.

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Details of the offeree and offeror companies in respect of whose relevant securities Opening Position Disclosures and Dealing Disclosures must be made can be found in the Disclosure Table on the Takeover Panel's website at www.thetakeoverpanel.org.uk, including details of the number of relevant securities in issue, when the offer period commenced and when any offeror was first identified. You should contact the Panel's Market Surveillance Unit on +44 (0)20 7638 0129 if you are in any doubt as to whether you are required to make an Opening Position Disclosure or a Dealing Disclosure.

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