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### **Chinalco and Agricultural Bank of China enter into a Strategic Co-operation Agreement**

On 8 April, Aluminum Corporation of China (“Chinalco”) and Agricultural Bank of China entered into a strategic co-operation agreement. Under the terms of this agreement, Agricultural Bank of China will provide an indicative credit facility of RMB 100 billion for Chinalco over 3 years.

Mr Xiong Weiping, President of Chinalco, said

“The successful execution of this agreement takes the strategic partnership between Chinalco and Agricultural Bank of China to a new level and represents a key milestone for the two parties to further strengthen their co-operation, address the impact of the global financial crisis and realize mutual benefits. It helps Chinalco to strengthen its aluminium, copper and rare metals businesses and enhances its overseas development strategy. It also helps Chinalco to accelerate its diversification strategy and actively respond to the government’s call for expanding domestic demand and maintaining stable economic growth.”

Mr Xiang Junbo, President of Agricultural Bank of China, said

“The Bank is fully committed to its business co-operation with Chinalco, and looks forward to providing comprehensive, efficient and professional services to Chinalco to help it achieve its strategic goal of becoming a global diversified resources company.”