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## Drilling Underway at High Grade Nickel-Copper-Cobalt Lainejaur Deposit in Sweden

### *Within Strategic Partnership between Bayrock Resources and QXR*

- Diamond drilling has commenced on the Lainejaur project, a high-grade Nickel-Cobalt-Copper deposit of Bayrock Resources Limited (Bayrock) in northern Sweden.
- Bayrock is an Australian unlisted public company that QXR is assisting via a framework agreement to add value with project development and financing initiatives (ASX announcement 16, 24 March 2023).
- The Lainejaur project (Ni-Cu-Co), owned by Bayrock, is along trend from an historical underground nickel mine which produced ~100kt at 2.2% Ni in the prolific Skellefteå Mineral Belt.
- An Inferred Mineral Resource Estimate, in compliance with 2012 JORC Code standards, was estimated in 2018 by Carnaby Resources Limited (ASX: CNB) of 460Kt @ 2.2% Ni, 0.7% Cu, 0.15% Co, 0.65g/t Au, 0.68g/t Pd, and 0.2g/t Pt<sup>1</sup>

QX Resources Limited (ASX:QXR or the Company), via a framework agreement with Bayrock Resources Limited (Bayrock), confirm that diamond drilling has commenced and is at 54 metres in a 300 metre deep hole on the Lainejaur project, a high-grade Nickel-Cobalt-Copper deposit near Malå in northern Sweden (Figures 1-4).

Previous results included over 9 metres at 2.1% Ni, 0.7% Cu, 0.17% Co, 0.5 g/t Au in this area of the Lainejaur project with high metal values ranging up to 3.89% Ni, 2.17% Cu, 0.75% Co, 2.05g/t Au and 0.42g/t Pd in previous drill core samples<sup>2</sup>. Drilling is being undertaken by Artic Drilling, supported by Scott Geological and EMX Royalty Corp. Winter drilling (snow/ice) ensures a firm base for activities.

QXR entered a framework agreement to assist Bayrock with financing and development of its battery mineral projects in northern Sweden (ASX announcement 16 & 22 March 2023). The Projects are considered highly prospective for key battery metals, nickel, copper and cobalt.

**QXR Managing Director Stephen Promnitz stated:** *“High grade quality, Class 1 nickel sulphide are being actively sought by the battery materials supply chain. This has again been reinforced in recent discussions with potential downstream partners, especially given the location within the European Union and after the announcement of the EU Critical Raw Materials Act (EU CRM Act). This project is well positioned to supply key battery minerals under the new focused EU CRM Act.”*

**Bayrock Technical Director, Dr Ian Pringle added:** *“Bayrock’s assets in Sweden have outstanding potential and we are pleased to be kicking off drilling in Sweden. By drilling now, with QXR’s support, Bayrock can speed up assessment of the high-grade Lainejaur deposit and this work will form an early step towards delivering value in a timely manner.”*

### **Lainejaur Ni-Cu-Co Project**

The Lainejaur Project is located in Västerbotten County in the municipality of Malå approximately 15km northeast of the town of Malå in northern Sweden (Figure 2,3). The Project consists of one exploration permit, held by Bayrock’s wholly owned subsidiary Metalore Pty Ltd.

<sup>1</sup> Refer Berkut Minerals ASX Announcement 12 February 2018, “High Grade Nickel-Cobalt Resource Estimate at Lainejaur”

<sup>2</sup> Refer Berkut Minerals ASX Announcement 26 July 2017, “Berkut Secures Historical 1.3 lb Cobalt Resource in Sweden”

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The Lainejaur Project comprises a historical underground Nickel mine which operated during World War II producing approximately 100kt at 2.2% Ni. A JORC 2012 Mineral Resource Estimate completed on the remaining mineralisation in 2018 established an Inferred Mineral Resource of 460,000t @ 2.2% Ni, 0.15% Co and 0.70% Cu, 0.68g/t Pd, 0.20g/t Pt and 0.65g/t Au<sup>3</sup>.

Potential exists for extensions down dip of the current mineralisation. Further information is available at: [www.bayrockresources.com](http://www.bayrockresources.com)



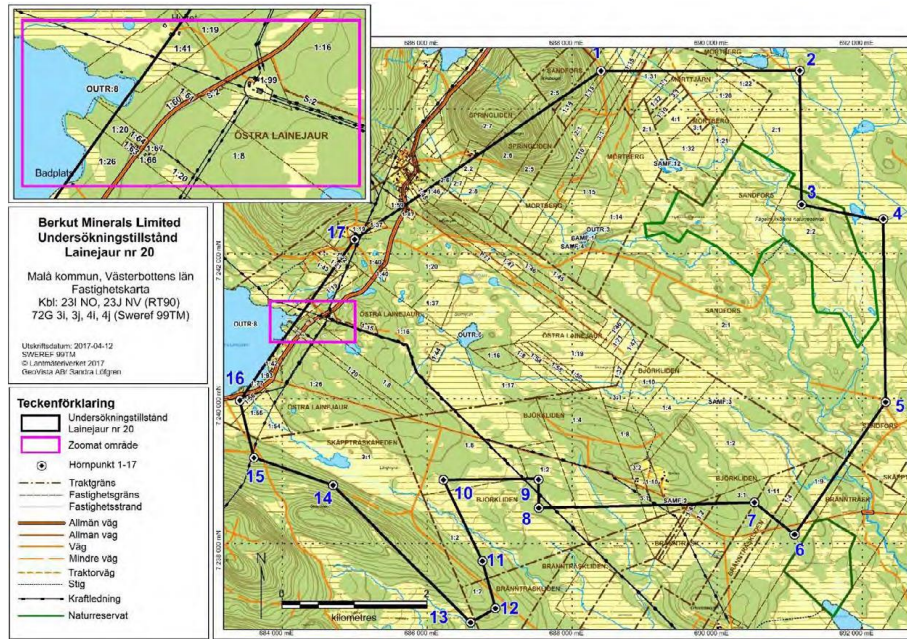
**Figure 1: Drill rig setting up at the Lainejaur Ni-Cu-Co project**



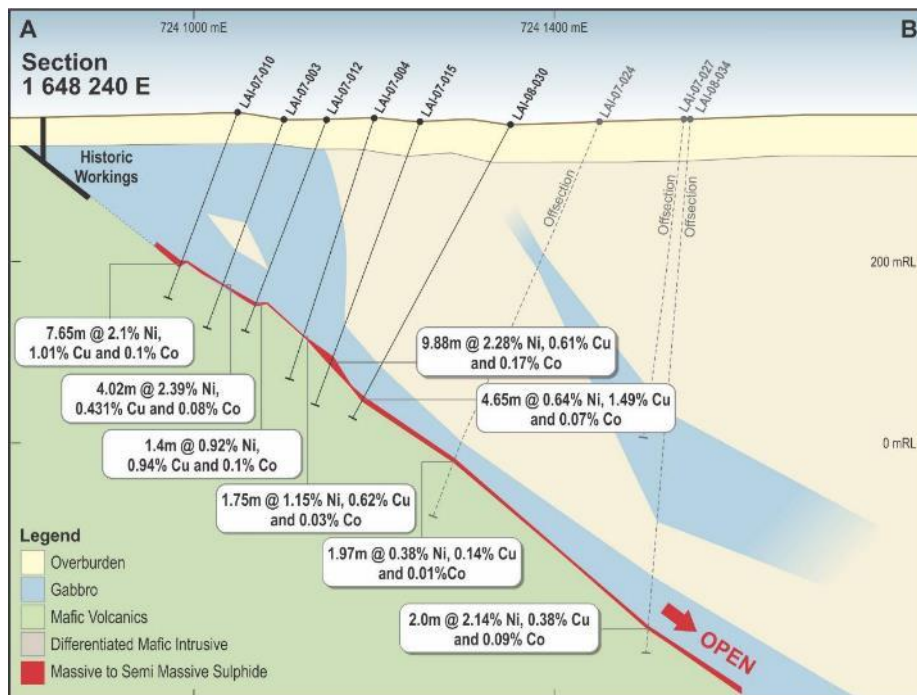
**Figure 2: Map of the Bayrock battery mineral projects, including Lainejaur**

<sup>3</sup> Refer Berkut Minerals ASX Announcement 12 February 2018, “High Grade Nickel-Cobalt Resource Estimate at Lainejaur”





**Figure 3: Map of Lainejaur tenement boundaries**



**Figure 4: Schematic north-south longitudinal section through Lainejaur**

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The information in this report that relates to Exploration Results and Exploration Targets is based on information compiled by Mr. Roger Jackson, a Director and Shareholder of the Company, who is a 25+ year Fellow of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (MAusIMM), Fellow of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists and a Member of Australian Institute of Company Directors. Mr. Jackson has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposits under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the “Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves”. Mr. Jackson consents to the inclusion of the data contained in relevant resource reports used for this announcement as well as the matters, form and context in which the relevant data appears.

The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the Exploration Results or Mineral Resources included in the ASX releases made by Berkut Minerals Limited on 26 July 2017 and 12 February 2018.