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Notice to ASX

16 September 2016

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## Early Termination of the Rio Tinto Service Agreement

On 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016, Rio Tinto provided Bougainville Copper Limited [BCL] a notice of termination of the Management Services Agreement, giving the required six months' notice. On the 12<sup>th</sup> September BCL and Rio Tinto executed a deed to terminate the Service Agreement with effect on and from 12<sup>th</sup> September 2016. As a result Bougainville Copper Limited is now an independently managed Papua New Guinea company.

By Order of the Board

Mark Hitchcock  
**Company Secretary**