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The Companies Officer
Australian Stock Exchange Ltd.
Exchange Plaza
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Dear Sir

Request to Lift Voluntary Trading Suspension

Fortescue Metals Group Ltd (ASX: FMG) ("Fortescue") requests that the self imposed voluntary trading suspension be lifted to enable the recommencement of trading in its securities.

As previously advised, Fortescue was considering certain initiatives. However, following the success in signing an agreement for a capital raising with Hunan Valin Iron and Steel Group Company Ltd and, taking into consideration the Company's strengthened balance sheet and continued strong revenue from iron ore sales, Fortescue's Board decided today not to pursue those initiatives.

Yours sincerely

Fortescue Metals Group Ltd

Rod Campbell

Company Secretary