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Dear Madam

SONTANG PROJECT UPDATE

The Directors of Sumatra Copper & Gold plc ('Sumatra Copper & Gold' or 'the Company') are pleased to provide an update of activities at the Sontang project.

- New silver-rich gossan at Sontang Central with 8.5 metres (true width) at 765 g/t Ag and 8.3% Pb via sawn channel sample.
- New jasperoidal outcrop at Sontang Central with 4 metres at 2.63 g/t Au.
- Sontang Central gold soil anomaly now defined over an area of 1,000 metres by 200 metres.

Sontang Update

The Sontang project lies within the Pasaman IUP in the province of West Sumatra, some 160 kilometres north of Padang. The Pasaman IUP encloses an area of approximately 250 km². Drainage geochemistry has previously delineated a significant polymetallic anomaly, and detailed mapping identified massive sulphide mantos style mineralisation in Sontang East where the weighted-average metal contents for 54.8 metres of rock-channel samples was 2.87g/t Au, 118g/t Ag, 0.57% Pb and 5.66% Zn.

Recent activity at Sontang during January and February 2010 has focused on tracing mineralisation from Sontang East north-westwards to the Sontang Central and Sontang West prospects with a program of ridge and spur soil sampling at 25 metre intervals. The geochemistry has been undertaken in conjunction with surface mapping.

Two new outcrops were located within Sontang Central, one a gossanous massive sulphide mineralisation in meta-sediments, the second of jasperoidal silica mineralisation.

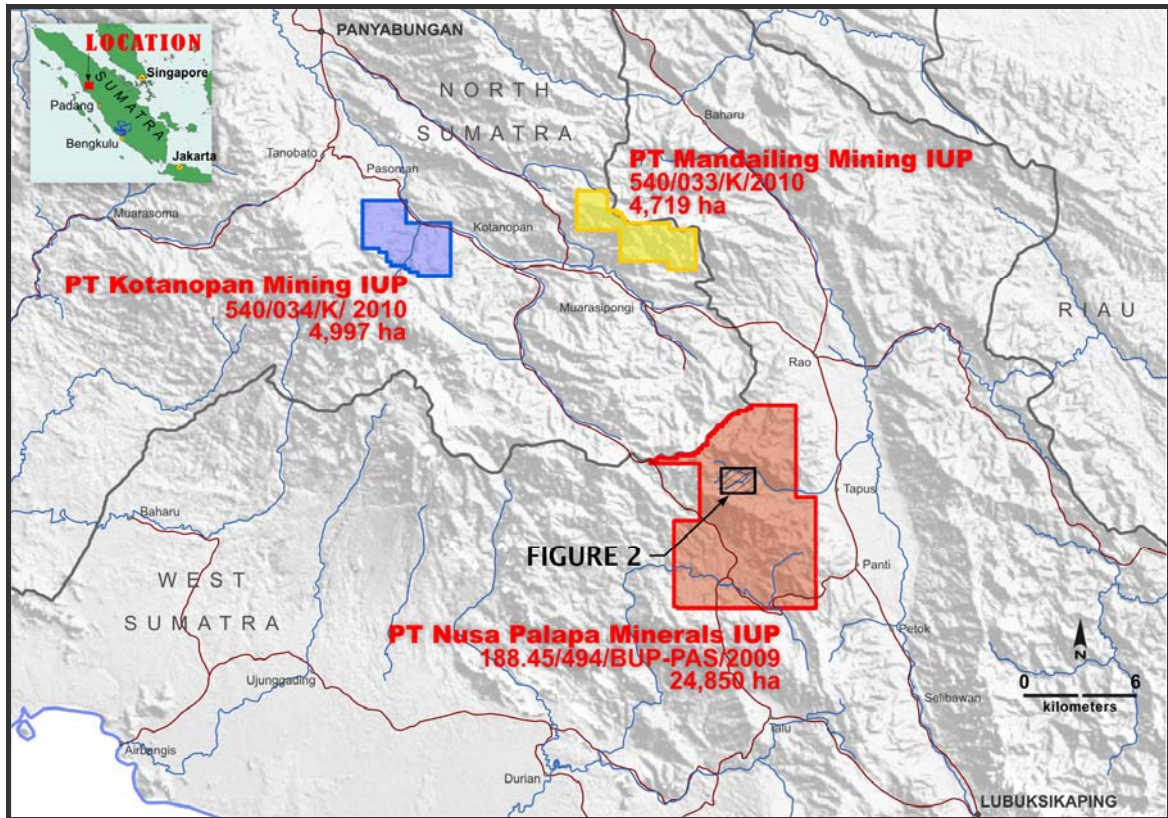
Results from the new massive sulphide outcrop at Sontang Central gave 10 metres (8.5 metres true width) @ 0.14 g/t Au, 765 g/t Ag, 8.3% Pb, and 1.78% Zn.

The more than 4 metre wide zone of dark grey, cryptocrystalline, jasperoidal silica exposed in the creek to the north of the gossan was sampled over the available outcrop and returned values of 2.63 g/t Au and 6.75 g/t Ag over a 4 metre interval. The outcrop lies on the edge of a NW-SE trending, 1,000 metre by 200 metre Au soil anomaly, which has been delineated at +25 ppb and +50 ppb Au contour levels and is strongly associated with the limestone complex.

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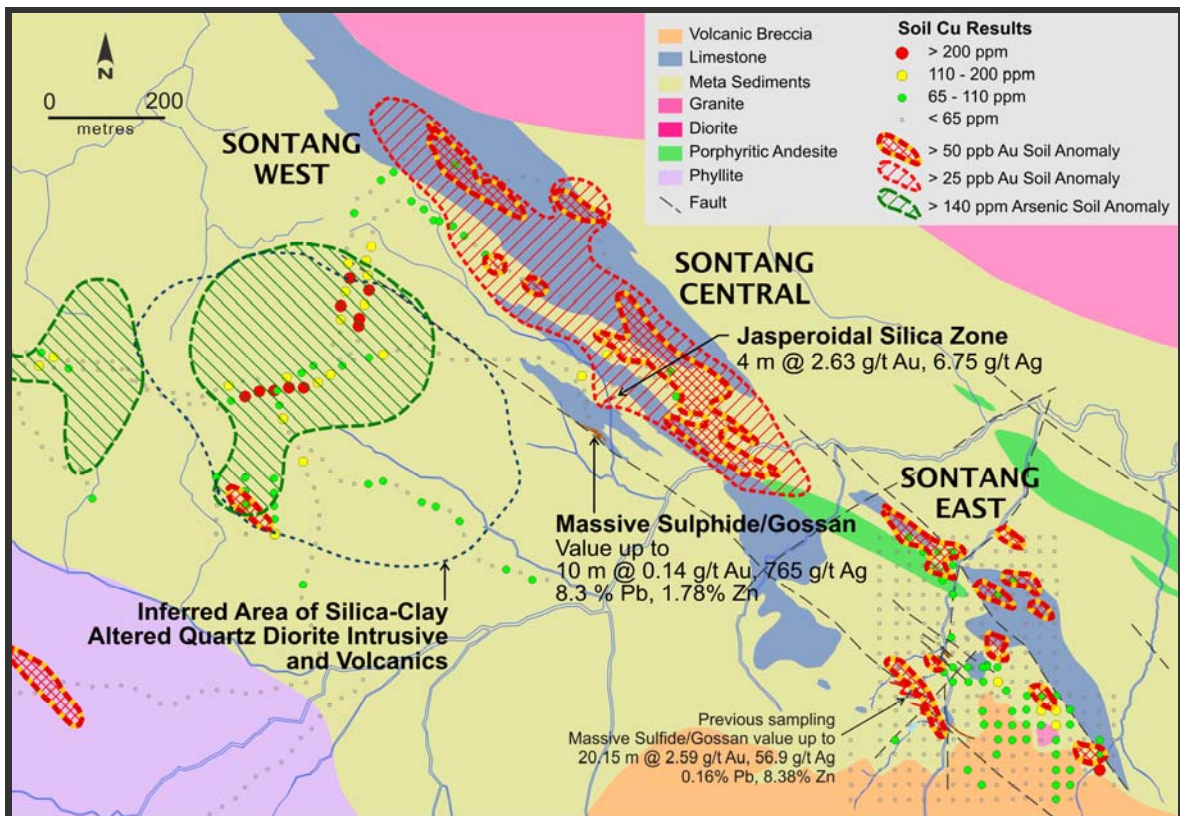
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Location of the Pasaman IUP and Sontang Project

Additionally, results from ridge and spur soil sampling have outlined a significant copper-arsenic soil anomaly, marked above +110 ppm Cu (maximum 420 ppm Cu) and +140 ppm As (maximum 4,020 ppm As), that is at least 400 metres by 400 metres in size, at Sontang West. The anomaly coincides with a number of intense silica-clay altered porphyritic dioritic intrusives noted in the first pass mapping and indicates a potential for high or intermediate sulphidation styles of mineralisation.



Sontang Channel Sampling and Geochemical Anomalies

Work at Sontang is continuing with further soil sampling, mapping and sampling of exposures. It is hoped that drilling on the massive sulphide bodies already identified will commence before the fourth quarter of 2010.

Summary

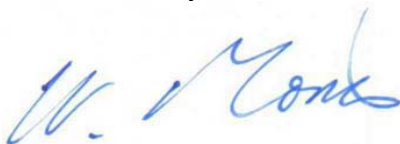
Managing Director, Jocelyn Waller, comments: "We are very excited by the new results from Sontang. The discovery of further mantos, plus the large gold anomaly and results from the jasperoidal veining together with the new copper-arsenic target indicate that this is a much larger and more complex system than previously thought."

Other

The information in this report that relates to Exploration Results, Mineral Resources or Ore Reserves is based on information compiled by David Stock, geologist, who is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. David Stock is a consultant to the Company who has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2004 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. David Stock has consented to the inclusion in this report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which they appear.

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