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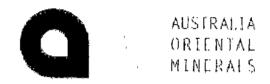
TRADING HALT

The securities of Australia Oriental Minerals NL (the "Company") will be placed in Trading Halt Session State at the request of the Company, pending the release of an announcement by the Company. Unless ASX decides otherwise, the securities will remain in Trading Halt Session State until the earlier of the commencement of normal trading on Thursday, 27 September 2012 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Security Code:

AOM

Kerrie Papamihail
Assistant Manager, Listings (Perth)



25 September 2012

ASX Limited Level 8, Exchange Plaza 2 The Esplanade PERTH WA 6000

Attention: Ms K Papamihall

BY EMAIL: Kerrie papamihail@asx.com.au

Dear Sirs

Trading Halt Request

The Directors of Australia Oriental Minerals NL (Company) (ASX Code: AOM) hereby request an immediate trading halt of the Company's securities pending the release of an announcement regarding a potential material acquisition.

The trading halt is requested until an announcement is made to the market or the commencement of trading on Thursday 27 September 2012, whichever first occurs.

The Company is not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted.

Yours faithfully

Neil Young

Managing Director

Australia Oriental Minerals NL