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MORE SIGNIFICANT BELINAU DRILLING RESULTS

Sumatra Copper & Gold plc ('Sumatra' or 'the Company') (ASX: SUM) is pleased to report further high grade results from geotechnical drilling at its **Belinau** deposit within its 100%-owned Tembang gold and silver project, located in south Sumatra, Indonesia.

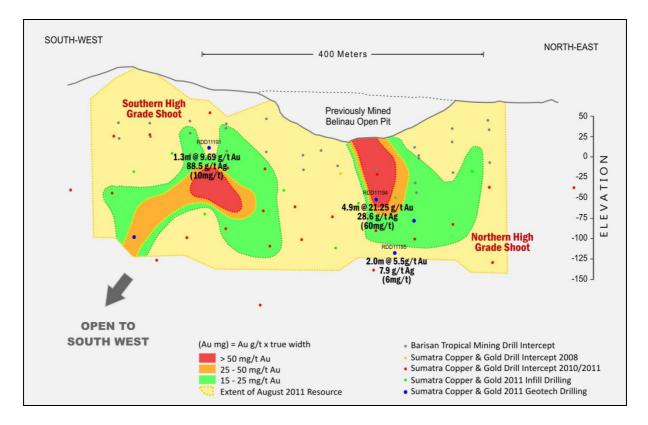
Drilling highlights include:

- RDD 11194 returned 4.9 metres @ 21.25 g/t Au, 28.6 g/t Ag from the northern shoot
- RDD 11191 returned 1.3 metres @ 9.69 g/t Au, 88.5 g/t Ag
- RDD 11195 returned 2.0 metres @ 5.59 g/t Au, 7.9 g/t Ag (main vein fracture & stringers)

These results were from the remaining three geotechnical holes drilled during the third quarter of 2011 as part of the recently concluded pre-feasibility study, which indicated that Belinau is a robust and profitable project. These results will improve the overall resource.

Sumatra Managing Director Julian Ford said the results continue to outline the high grade nature and exploration potential of the Belinau vein system which is a key component of the Stage 1 development plan.

"The Company will resume extension and infill drilling of the Tembang prospects once it is in a position to fund this exploration from cash flow. The Company already has an extensive resource base and will be looking to leverage off this asset in the current attractive gold market. It is encouraging that all the geotechnical drill holes intersected significant mineralisation," said Mr Ford.



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About Sumatra Copper & Gold

Sumatra Copper & Gold plc (ASX: SUM) is an emerging gold and silver producer and the pre-eminent precious metals explorer in southern Sumatra. It has a significant greenfields to brownfields project portfolio covering more than 3,200 km².

Sumatra's 100%-owned Tembang Project is on-track for production during 2013. It has a JORC resource of 976,000 ounces gold and 12.8 million ounces silver. Initial stage 1 production plan is low cost, high grade operation, targeting 200,000 to 400,000 tonnes per annum.

Under a joint venture with Newcrest Mining Ltd, Sumatra is currently exploring the Tandai Project (30% Sumatra; 70% Newcrest). Newcrest has already met its minimum expenditure position of US\$1.75 million and has an option to earn a 70% interest by spending US\$12 million over 5 years. Sumatra has found significant gold mineralisation at Tandai, which has historic high grade production of 1.4 million ounces gold.

Sumatra continues work at its wholly-owned Sontang Project, which is a high grade greenfields exploration project.

The Company has offices in London, Perth, Jakarta, Sumatra and Sydney

Other

The information in this report that relates to Exploration Results or Mineral Resources is based on information compiled by Matthew Farmer, geologist, who is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Matthew Farmer is an employee of 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'. Matthew Farmer has consented to the inclusion in this report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which they appear.