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Binding Agreement for Increased Stake in Casino

Donaco International Limited (the **Company**) announces that it has signed a binding agreement for the purchase of an additional 20% stake in the Lao Cai International Hotel Joint Venture (**Joint Venture**), to complete the deal previously announced to the market on 24 July 2013.

The Company currently owns 75% of the Joint Venture, which is the vehicle through which the Company operates its flagship business, a successful boutique hotel and casino in northern Vietnam. The Joint Venture is also building a new five star resort hotel and casino in the same location, which remains on track for a soft opening in early March 2014.

The Capital Transfer Agreement has been signed between the Company and its Joint Venture partner, Sapa Petroleum Tourism Joint Stock Company, an entity owned by the Government of Vietnam. Upon completion of the transfer, the Company will hold a 95% share in the Joint Venture. The remaining 5% will continue to be held by the Government of Vietnam.

The effective date of the transfer will be 31 December 2013, with the Company being entitled to 95% of the profits of the Joint Venture after that date. Certain formal requirements for the transfer are due to be completed in early 2014, but this has no impact on the effective date. There is no change in the total cost to the Company, which remains at US\$4 million.

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ABOUT DONACO INTERNATIONAL LIMITED (ASX: DNA)

Donaco International Limited operates leisure, entertainment and associated technology businesses across the Asia Pacific region.

Our flagship business is the Lao Cai International Hotel, a successful boutique casino in northern Vietnam. The Lao Cai International Hotel was established in 2002, and is located on the border with Yunnan Province, China. Donaco operates the business and owns a 75% interest, in a joint venture with the Government of Vietnam.

The Lao Cai International Hotel is a pioneer casino operator in Vietnam. The property is currently being expanded from a 3-star 34 room hotel, to a brand new 5-star resort complex with 428 hotel rooms.



Donaco also owns and operates successful gaming technology businesses, including secure mobile payment gateways across South East Asia, and the Way2Bet wagering portal, whose customers include all major corporate bookmakers in Australia.

To learn more about Donaco visit <u>www.donacointernational.com</u>

