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Proto's American Depositary Receipts Join the OTCQX

Stock Codes ASX: PRW, OTCQX: POOOY

Proto is pleased to advise that it will today commence trading on the OTCQX market platform, the world's largest electronic marketplace for OTC-traded equities. Proto will trade on the OTC market's highest tier, OTCQX International. This OTCQX listing aims to make it easier for North American and international investors to trade Proto's stock. The shares will be denominated in US dollars and this listing joins Proto's Frankfurt listing as an international portal for Proto's securities. Investors can also access current financial disclosure and Real-Time Level 2 quotes for the Company on the OTC Markets Group Inc. website.

Proto's ADRs to Commence OTCQX Trading

Proto Resources & Investments Ltd ("Proto", "the Company") advises that OTC Markets Group Inc. ("OTC Markets"; OTCQX: OTCM), the company that operates the world's largest electronic marketplace for OTC-traded equities, will today announce that Proto, a mining development and exploration company, has chosen to have its American Depositary Receipts ("ADRs") traded on OTCQX®. Each ADR will represent 50 fully paid ordinary shares in Proto.

Proto will begin trading today, 9 May 2012, on the OTC market's highest tier, OTCQX International. Investors can find current financial disclosure and Real-Time Level 2 quotes for the Company on the OTC Markets website.

To access it, copy these details into your browser: **otcmarkets.com**

Proto was pleased to be able to meet the disclosure and governance standards to achieve an OTCQX listing. Berns & Berns, Counsellors at Law will serve as Proto Resources' Principal American Liaison ("PAL") on OTCQX, responsible for providing guidance on OTCQX requirements.

Proto firmly believes that this is an important part of its plan to become a globally significant nickel company, and the Company has already received a lot of interest from New York investors, both private and institutional, who are attracted to Proto's value proposition in mineral processing technology as well as mining and mineral exploration.

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About OTC Markets Group Inc.

OTC Markets Group Inc. (OTCQX: OTCM) operates the world's largest OTC marketplace for equity securities. Their OTC Link[®] trading system delivers price transparency in over 10,000 securities and enables direct interaction between broker-dealers that provide liquidity and execution services. OTC Markets organise a wide spectrum of OTC-traded equity securities into three marketplaces to inform investors of opportunities and risks - OTCQX - The Intelligent Marketplace for the Best OTC Companies; OTCQB[®] - The Venture Marketplace; and OTC Pink[®] - The Open Marketplace. OTC Markets' information-driven platform makes it easy for investors to trade at the best price through the broker of their choice and empowers companies to build the best markets for their investors.

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