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AFRI-CAN MARINE MINERALS REPORTS THAT DIAMOND SAMPLING VESSEL CONVERSION IS COMPLETED

Afri-Can Marine Minerals Corporation ("Afri-Can") reports that International Mining and Dredging Holding Ltd. (IMDH) has advised that the conversion of the contracted sampling vessel *MV DP The Explorer* is completed and that the vessel will sail from Singapore shortly. The vessel is currently under inspection by the "RINA Classification Group" (visit the web site at: <http://www.rina.it/index.aspx>) in order to receive its final sailing and insurability certificates. The inspection is nearly completed and the vessel has already received approval on many of the systems inspected. The *MV DP The Explorer* will leave the JSML Shipyard in Singapore immediately after receiving its final inspection approval.

The *MV DP The Explorer* will sail from Singapore to Cape Town, South Africa, where it is expected to arrive on or about January 5th. The vessel will stay in Cape Town for about 2 months in order to install the sampling tool and the mineral recovery plant and to carry out some sampling and recovery tests. The sampling tool and the recovery plant are completed and ready to be mounted on board the vessel. Afri-Can will provide investors with a detailed time schedule for the sampling program following the vessel's arrival in Cape Town. The aim of the complete surveying and sampling program is to delineate diamond resources on Block J in compliance with National Instrument 43-101.

Afri-Can is a Canadian company, actively involved in the acquisition, exploration and development of major mineral properties in Namibia. Afri-Can's creative and scientific approach targets large marine diamond deposits in unexplored prospective territories.

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