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AFRI-CAN MARINE MINERALS: DIAMOND SAMPLING VESSEL ARRIVES IN CAPE TOWN

Afri-Can Marine Minerals Corporation ("Afri-Can") has been informed by International Mining and Dredging Holding Ltd. (IMDH) that the contracted sampling vessel *MV DP The Explorer* arrived in Cape Town, South Africa, on March 16th, 2009.

The Explorer will remain 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 and IMDH will establish the sampling program schedule in the coming month, and our shareholders will be provided with a detailed program and time schedule in due course. The aim of the complete surveying and sampling program is to delineate diamond resources on Afri-Can's Block J marine diamond concession in Namibia 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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