Ge Honglin meets with Founder and Chairman of Ivanhoe Capital Corporation Robert Friedland

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Chairman of Aluminum Corporation of China (Chinalco) Ge Honglin met with Robert Friedland, Founder and Chairman of Ivanhoe Capital Corporation, and his associates at the headquarters of Chinalco on June 9. They exchanged views on topics of mutual interests, including the trend of advanced aluminum technology, research and development as well as manufacturing of new, high-end metal materials, expanded application of aluminum alloy in the future, and efficient development and utilization of copper resources. During the meeting, Mr. Ge and Mr. Friedland have reached consensus on important issues – developing an all-round, multi-disciplinary cooperative partnership, promoting joint efforts for the amalgamation and innovation of new technologies, concepts and approach, enhancing industry technological improvements and advancing industrial transformation, and achieving sustainable development.

After expressing welcome to Robert Friedland and his delegation, Ge Honglin introduced Chinalco as the world’s leading aluminum producer and supplier of aluminum profiles, as well as the key innovator and communicator of the international aluminum industry. Over the years, Chinalco has always adhered to the implementation of innovation-driven development strategy, writing a new chapter for the aluminum of the “Chinese dream” through technological innovation. With the management philosophy of “Changing stones into gold, benefiting mankind”, Chinalco is committed to becoming an enterprise that is resource-efficient and environment-friendly.

With significant influence on the global mining sector, Ivanhoe Capital Corporation has made various technological achievements in metal processing as well as resource development and utilization in recent years. As two of the world’s influential multinational corporations, Chinalco and Ivanhoe Capital Corporation possess distinct advantages in their respective fields. Leveraging fully on their respective strengths, the two corporations should grasp the current trend of smart, lightweight and electric development to cultivate an all-round, multi-level cooperation. Using innovation as a development multiplier to achieve technological innovation, collaborative innovation and cross-border innovation, Chinalco and Ivanhoe Capital will substantially increase their resources utilization and join hands in promoting the development of global mining and new metal materials.

Robert Friedland stated that China, as the world’s second largest emerging economy, has achieved great economic success with major improvement in its people’s living standard. China has made significant contributions to the development and progress of the human race. With the One Belt, One Road Initiative, China has become the advocate and driver of economic
globalization. With a major focus on the Chinese market, Ivanhoe Capital Corporation is actively seeking all-round, multi-disciplinary cooperation with solid and powerful Chinese enterprises like Chinalco. It is hoped that through the long-term, close cooperation in aspects such as innovation technology, energy storage technology, mine development, clean energy and electric vehicles, Ivanhoe Capital and Chinalco will complement each other for mutual benefits, and set an important example of cooperation between China and Canada that will benefit the people of China with outstanding achievements. Robert Friedland also provided a detailed introduction of the business segments, operations and major projects of Ivanhoe Capital Corporation.