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# 中信資源控股有限公司 CITIC Resources Holdings Limited

*(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)*

(Stock Code: 1205)

## VOLUNTARY ANNOUNCEMENT MINING APPROVAL FROM WESTERN AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT FOR ALCOA WORLD ALUMINA AND CHEMICALS JOINT VENTURE

This is a voluntary announcement made by the board of directors (the “**Board**”) of CITIC Resources Holdings Limited (the “**Company**”, together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”).

By way of background, the Group has an interest in a world-class global portfolio of upstream mining and refining operations in the aluminium sector through (as at the date of this announcement) its 9.6117% equity interest in Alumina Limited (“**AWC**”), a leading Australian company listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (Stock Code: AWC). The Group in turn holds global interests in bauxite mining, alumina refining and selected aluminium smelting operations through AWC’s 40% ownership of the Alcoa World Alumina and Chemicals joint venture (“**AWAC**”), the world’s largest alumina producer.

The Board is pleased to announce that the Western Australian Government (the “**WA Government**”) has recently made decisions that will allow AWAC to continue bauxite mining and downstream alumina refining in Western Australia (“**WA**”). As of the date of this announcement, the WA Government has announced that it will approve AWAC’s latest five-year mine plan (known as the 2023-2027 Mining and Management Program (the “**MMP**”)) for AWAC’s Huntly and Willowdale bauxite mines.

In addition, the WA Government has granted an exemption that will allow AWAC to continue its mining operations even if the WA Environmental Protection Authority (“EPA”) decides to undertake a separate environmental impact assessment on all or parts of the MMP. The EPA’s determination is expected by 31 December 2023. In this connection, AWAC will be subject to a range of conditions addressing key environmental factors that will include the protection of drinking water and biodiversity as well as accelerated forest rehabilitation.

Based on the above, it is expected that the approval and exemption granted by the WA Government will support the current mining operations of AWAC and will be beneficial for the strategic investment held by the Group in AWC.

This announcement is made by the Board on a voluntary basis to keep the shareholders and potential investors informed of latest developments concerning the Company.

**Shareholders and potential investors are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the shares of the Company.**

By Order of the Board  
**CITIC Resources Holdings Limited**  
**Hao Weibao**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 18 December 2023

*As at the date hereof, Mr. Hao Weibao and Mr. Wang Xinli are executive directors of the Company, Mr. Chan Kin is a non-executive director of the Company, and Dr. Fan Ren Da, Anthony, Mr. Look Andrew and Mr. Lu Dequan are independent non-executive directors of the Company.*