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MINEMAKERS HOLDS OVER 90% OF BONAPARTE'S SHARES

Bonaparte Diamond Mines NL ("**Bonaparte**" or "**the Company**") (ASX:BON) advises shareholders that Minemakers Limited now holds 94.3% of Bonaparte's issued shares.

As a consequence, the Independent Directors John Robertson and Michael Woodborne can confirm that, as Minemakers has now acquired a relevant interest in excess of 90% of Bonaparte shares, all Bonaparte shareholders who have accepted the Minemakers Offer will now receive the revised Minemakers Offer of 1 Minemakers share for every 9 of their Bonaparte shares. Shareholders are advised that the issue of the additional Minemakers shares will be made shortly and no further action is required to complete this process.

On 7 July 2009, it was announced that Bonaparte would call a General Meeting of its shareholders to vote on a resolution to remove the Company from the Official List of ASX Limited.

This meeting, which was scheduled for 7 August 2009, will now be cancelled and shareholders are advised accordingly.

Minemakers has announced that it will move to exercise compulsory acquisition of the remainder of the shares of Bonaparte pursuant to Section 664A of the Corporations Act and to complete an expeditious delisting of the Company.

The Independent Directors continue to recommend shareholders **accept** the Minemakers Offer which closes this Wednesday, 15 July 2009 at 5pm.

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