



## COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT

### DISCLOSABLE INTERESTS

Zug, 31 October 2006

Xstrata plc ("Xstrata") announces that it was notified on 30 October 2006 by Credit Suisse Group ("CSG") but as of 25 October 2006 of a change in the interests of CSG, Credit Suisse First Boston Equities Limited ("CSFB Equities") and Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited ("CSSEL") in Xstrata's ordinary shares (the "Shares"). The notification stated that CSFB Equities and CSSEL are party to agreements (together the "Agreement") with Glencore International AG ("Glencore") relating to the acquisition of interests in the Shares. The notification also stated that CSG had an interest in 268,553,081 Shares (37.96%) of which CSFB Equities, CSSEL and Glencore in aggregate were jointly interested in 254,989,949 Shares (36.05%). The notification stated that CSFB Equities held 0 Shares and was interested in 254,989,949 Shares (36.05%) by virtue of the Agreement and that CSSEL held 153,949,549 Shares (21.76%) (2,360,819) of which were in the course of settlement) and was interested in 101,040,400 Shares (14.28%) by virtue of the Agreement. The notification stated further that CSSEL's interests in 28,130 Shares were interests of the type as is mentioned in section 208(5) of the Companies Act 1985, as amended ("Section 208(5)") by virtue of the right to redelivery of equivalent securities under stock lending arrangements. According to the notification, CSG's interests in an additional 11,507,480 Shares were interests of the type as is mentioned in Section 208(5) by virtue of the right to redelivery of equivalent securities under stock lending arrangements.

A notification received from Glencore on 30 October 2006 stated that Glencore is a party to the Agreement with CSFB Equities and CSSEL and that Glencore, CSFB Equities and CSSEL in aggregate were jointly interested in a total of 254,989,949 Shares (36.05%). The notification stated that Glencore was interested in 153,949,549 Shares (21.76%) by virtue of the Agreement. The notification stated further that, so far as was known to Glencore at the date of its notification, Glencore's interests in 28,130 Shares were interests as are mentioned in Section 208(5).

As of 25 October 2006, 707,362,787 Shares were in issue.

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