

NEW EXPLORATION AREA “BIMA” GRANTED

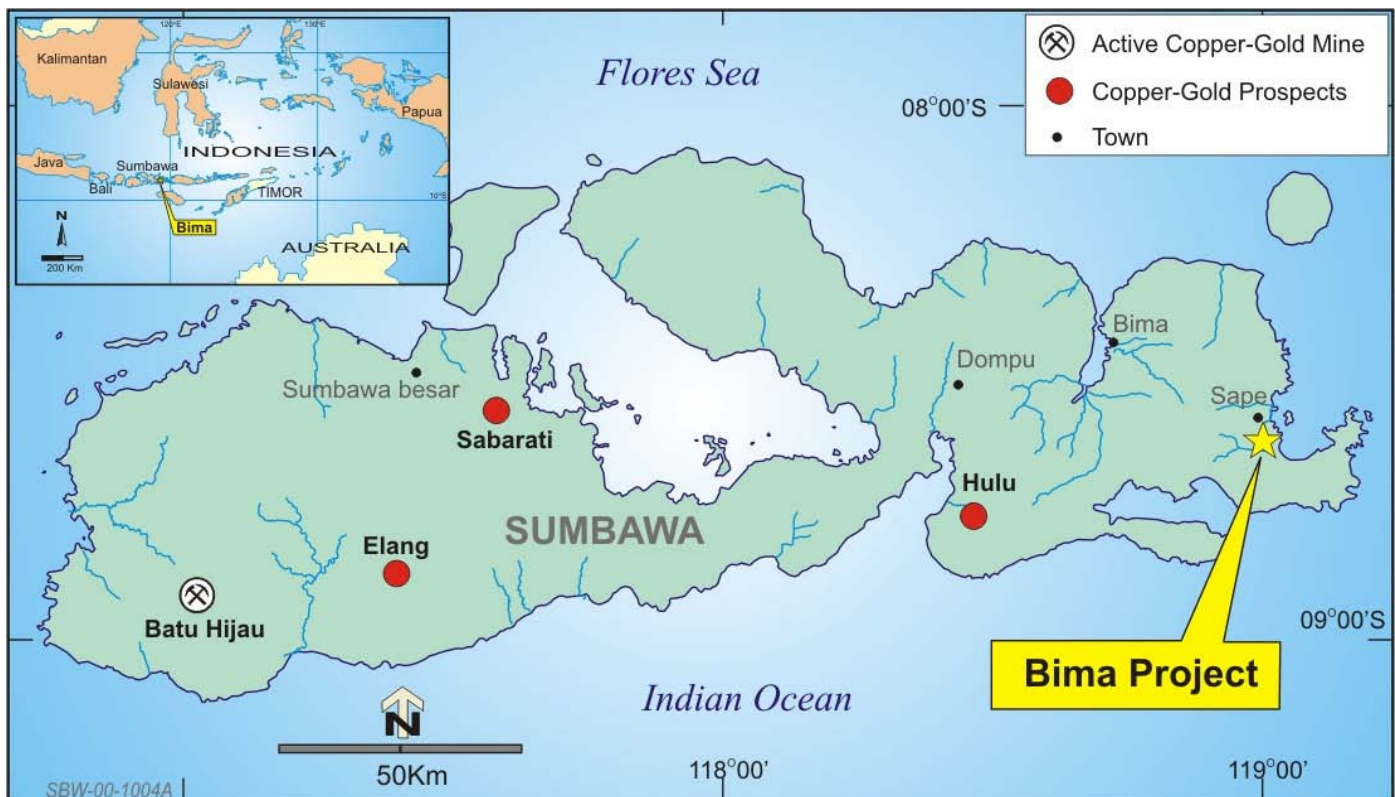
AUSTINDO DELIVERS ON STRATEGY TO ADD VALUE THROUGH FOCUS ON EXPLORATION IN INDONESIA

Austindo Resource Corporation NL (ARX) - (ASX Code: *ARXDA* pending finalisation of capital reconstruction) announced today that a new exploration area in Indonesia has been granted in which ARX has a 95% joint venture interest.

This represents a significant first step forward in the company’s exploration strategy focusing on opportunities in the highly prospective Indonesian magmatic arcs.

The new tenement, known as Bima, has been granted under a Kuasa Pertambangan (“KP”) held by P.T. Sumber Mineral Nusantara with whom ARX has a joint venture relationship.

The KP covers an area of 24,980 ha in West Nusa Tenggara Province, East Sumbawa. The Bima KP lies on a segment of the highly prospective Sunda-Banda Magmatic Arc, which is host to the giant Batu Hijau porphyry copper-gold deposit, located in west Sumbawa. The new KP area is prospective for high-grade epithermal gold-silver and bulk tonnage porphyry-style gold-base metal deposits.



The Company will undertake regional mapping and drainage sampling in the first twelve-months of the KP permit to identify prospects for detailed exploration and evaluation.

“The granting of the new Bima KP is an excellent example of Austindo’s renewed focus on exploration with the objective of discovering and proving up high-grade bulk gold-base metal resources”, Austindo’s Managing Director Mr. John Carlile said.

ABOUT AUSTINDO RESOURCES CORPORATION NL

Formed in 1983, Austindo Resources Corporation NL is an Australian listed exploration company focused on exploring Indonesia.

The Company has a 95% joint venture interest with PT Sumber Mineral Nusantara in the Trenggalek and Pekalongan and tenements located in East and Central Java respectively, areas prospective for high-grade epithermal gold/silver deposits. The Company also holds a 95% joint venture interest in the Bima prospect in East Sumbawa which is prospective for high-grade epithermal gold-silver and bulk tonnage porphyry-style gold-base metal deposits.

In addition, the Company has a strategic alliance with the Anglo American Group to explore for large porphyry copper/gold deposits in Papua.

The Company also retains an interest in the Cibaliung Gold Project, a high-grade epithermal gold/silver vein system located southwest of Jakarta in Banten Province, western Java. Cibaliung is expected to produce at an overall annual rate of 70,000 oz (gold equivalent).

Shareholders at the Company’s Annual General Meeting held on 20 May 2008 approved a number of measures to restructure the Company. A 50 to 1 consolidation of capital was approved which will result in the Company’s issued capital reducing to some 150 million ordinary fully paid shares. The Company’s ASX code is ARXDA while the consolidation of capital is being finalised and will revert to ARX thereafter.

*In addition shareholders approved a change of name to **Arc Exploration Limited** to reflect the Company’s future direction as an explorer. The change of name will become effective towards the end of June 2008.*

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