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Wanguo International Mining Group Limited

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock code: 3939)

APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND MEMBER OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

This board of directors (the “**Board**”) of Wanguo International Mining Group Limited (the “**Company**”) is pleased to announce that Mr. Li Hongchang* (李洪昌) has been appointed as an independent non-executive director and a member of the audit committee of the Company with effect from 28 December 2012.

Mr. Li Hongchang* (李洪昌), aged 65, has over forty years of experience in the mining and mineral resources industry. He has been an executive vice president (常務副會長) of Jiangxi Mining Council (江西省礦業聯合會) since September 2009. Prior to joining the Jiangxi Mining Council, Mr. Li held senior positions, such as inspector (巡視員) and deputy head (副廳長), in the Department of Land and Resources of Jiangxi Province (江西省國土資源廳) from 2000 to 2008. From 1968 to 2000, Mr. Li worked at the Bureau of Geology and Mineral Exploration of Jiangxi Province (江西省地質礦產勘查開發局) where he last served as deputy head of bureau (副局長). Mr. Li graduated from Beijing Geological Management Institute(北京地質管理幹部學院) in 1987.

As at the date of this announcement, Mr. Li does not have any interest in the shares or underlying shares in the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance. Mr. Li did not hold any directorship in other publicly listed companies in the last three years. Mr. Li is not related to any other directors, senior management, substantial shareholders or controlling shareholders of the Company.

The Company has entered into a service contract with Mr. Li for an initial term of three years commencing from 28 December 2012 renewable for subsequent periods of three years, unless terminated by at least three month’s written notice served by either party at any time during the then existing term. Pursuant to the service contract, Mr. Li is entitled to an annual fee of RMB150,000, which is determined by the Board with reference to Mr. Li’s experience, duties, responsibilities and the Company’s remuneration policy.

Save as disclosed above, the Board is not aware of any other matters in relation to the appointment of Mr. Li as an independent non-executive director that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company nor is there any information to be disclosed by the Company pursuant to the requirements under Rule 13.51(2) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to express its warmest welcome to Mr. Li in joining the Board.

By the order of the Board
Wanguo International Mining Group Limited
Gao Mingqing
Chairman

Hong Kong, 28 December 2012

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Gao Mingqing, Ms. Gao Jinzhu, Mr. Xie Yaolin and Mr. Liu Zhichun; the non-executive Directors are Mr. Li Kwok Ping, Mr. Lee Hung Yuen and Mr. Wen Baolin; and the independent non-executive Directors are Dr. Lu Jian Zhong, Mr. Qi Yang, Mr. Shen Peng and Li Hongchang .

** - for identification purposes only*