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Ivanhoe Mines closes non-brokered private placement

TORONTO, CANADA – Robert Friedland, Executive Chairman of Ivanhoe Mines (TSX: IVN; formerly Ivanplats, TSX: IVP), and Lars-Eric Johansson, Chief Executive Officer, announced today that the company has closed its previously announced private-placement financing.

The company has raised C\$108 million through the issuance of 54 million new Class A common shares at C\$2.00 per share. Mr. Friedland subscribed for C\$25 million of the offering, effectively proportionate to his holding in the company.

The proceeds of the offering will advance the development of the company's Kamoa copper discovery and the Kipushi zinc-copper-lead-germanium-precious metals project, and for general corporate purposes.

About Ivanhoe Mines

Ivanhoe Mines (TSX: IVN; formerly Ivanplats, TSX: IVP), with offices in Canada, the United Kingdom and South Africa, is advancing and developing its three principal projects:

- The Kamoa copper discovery in a previously unknown extension of the Central African Copperbelt in the DRC's Province of Katanga.
- The Platreef Discovery of platinum, palladium, nickel, copper, gold and rhodium on the Northern Limb of the Bushveld Complex in South Africa.
- The historic, high-grade Kipushi zinc, copper, lead, germanium and precious metals mine, also on the DRC Copperbelt and now being dewatered and upgraded to support a future return to production of copper, zinc and other metals following an 18-year care-and-maintenance program.

Ivanhoe Mines also is evaluating other opportunities as part of its objective to become a broadly based international mining company.

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Statements in this release that constitute forward-looking statements or information include, but are not limited to: statements regarding the company's intent to use the proceeds of the offering to advance the development of the company's Kamoa discovery and the Kipushi project, and for general corporate purposes.

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