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**NEWS RELEASE**

## **Glencore International plc**

### **Merger Update – EU Merger Control Clearance**

Glencore notes today's announcement by the European Commission confirming that it has cleared under the EU Merger Regulation the recommended all-share merger of equals between Glencore and Xstrata in Phase I with the commitments referred to therein.

Completion of the Merger remains conditional upon the receipt of the outstanding regulatory approvals in China and South Africa and the completion of the Court process as further set out in the New Scheme Document in connection with the Merger published by Xstrata on 25 October 2012.

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