



16 October 2009

Nyota Minerals Limited ('Nyota' or the 'Company')

Appointment of Executive director

Nyota Minerals Limited is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Martyn John Churchouse as an executive director of the Company.

Mr Churchouse (age 50) is a geologist with an extensive background in exploration and mining in both Africa and Eastern Europe. He has significant experience in exploration, resource estimation, mine development, production and corporate management. Until recently he was CEO of Carlton Resources Plc and he remains an executive director of the AIM quoted mining investment company.

Mr Churchouse holds an MBA from the London Business School in addition to a BSc (Hons) Geology – University of London and a MSc Mining and Geology – Camborne School of Mines

In the past five years Mr Churchouse has served as a director for KimCor Diamonds Plc (which has subsequently changed its name to Carlton Resources Plc) as noted above and has not served as a director or partner in any other entity. There is no further information to disclose in relation to the appointment of Mr Churchouse pursuant to Schedule 2, paragraph (g) of the AIM Rules for Companies.

Melissa Sturgess, CEO of Nyota Minerals commented, "I am delighted to welcome Martyn to the board of Nyota Minerals. Martyn has a wealth of experience having previously worked as a senior mine geologist, country manager and CEO. He understands the challenges involved in exploration and mine development in Africa, and will add significant value as we progress our Ethiopian gold mine to near term development, whilst advancing our drilling programme at our longer term nickel project in Burundi.

Attached is Mr Churchouse's Appendix 3X - initial director's interests notice.

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Appendix 3X

Initial Director's Interest Notice

Information or documents not available now must be given to ASX as soon as available. Information and documents given to ASX become ASX's property and may be made public.

Introduced 30/9/2001.

Name of entity	Nyota Minerals Limited
ABN	98 060 938 552

We (the entity) give ASX the following information under listing rule 3.19A.1 and as agent for the director for the purposes of section 205G of the Corporations Act.

Name of Director	Martyn Churchouse
Date of appointment	16 October 2009

Part 1 - Director's relevant interests in securities of which the director is the registered holder

In the case of a trust, this includes interests in the trust made available by the responsible entity of the trust

Note: In the case of a company, interests which come within paragraph (i) of the definition of "notifiable interest of a director" should be disclosed in this part.

Number & class of securities
Nil

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

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Part 2 – Director's relevant interests in securities of which the director is not the registered holder

In the case of a trust, this includes interests in the trust made available by the responsible entity of the trust

Name of holder & nature of interest	Number & class of Securities
Note: Provide details of the circumstances giving rise to the relevant interest.	

Part 3 – Director's interests in contracts

Note: In the case of a company, interests which come within paragraph (ii) of the definition of "notifiable interest of a director" should be disclosed in this part.

Detail of contract	Nil
Nature of interest	
Name of registered holder (if issued securities)	
No. and class of securities to which interest relates	

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