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DRILLING STARTS AT 200MT MAGNETITE ORE TARGET IN CENTRE OF FINLAND'S KOLARI IRON ORE DISTRICT

- **Shallow Ore Potential Being Tested In Strongest Magnetic Anomaly Within Area**
 - **Drilling In 1980's Returned Significant Intersections Of Iron Mineralisation**
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Tertiary Minerals ("Tertiary" or "the Company") announces that drilling work started today on its Kolari iron ore target in Kolari in the heart of Finland's main iron ore district. Finnish mining company Rautaruukki Oy previously drilled the target, the strongest known magnetic anomaly in the iron district, during the late 1980's.

Based on Rautaruukki's drilling results and the size of the magnetic anomaly the Geological Survey of Finland (GTK) referred to a 200mt potential target resource¹ within a 2km by 300m-500m broad area of Tertiary's claims. Significant intersections included 311m of 14% iron from a depth of 36m including 5m of 62% iron, 16m of 54% iron from a depth of 203m, 116m of 26% iron from a depth of 239m including 45m of 40% iron, 17m of 56% iron from a depth of 278m, and 31m of 56% iron from a depth of 273m.

Tertiary's drilling programme is initially targeting the core of the Kolari magnetic anomaly which has now been defined by a detailed ground magnetic survey. Three holes will test the magnetic anomaly over a strike length of 400m.

The Kolari project forms part of Tertiary's portfolio of IOCG (iron oxide-copper-gold) targets. Other IOCG targets in this portfolio include Vähäjoki, Finland (recently joint ventured with Inmet Mining) and Ahmavuoma in North Sweden.

Canada's Northland Resources (capitalised at over £210m and listed on the TS-V & NAU exchanges) controls most of the Kolari-Pajala iron province – one of Europe's largest – and last month announced a total measured and indicated resource estimate of 84.6 million tonnes at Hannukainen, 10kms north from Tertiary's property, and where it is working to develop a new mine. The average grade of Northland's resource is 34.6% iron, 0.20% copper, and 0.093 g/t gold using a cut-off of 15% iron. A further 82 million tonne inferred resource has been estimated at a similar grade.

Tertiary's chairman Patrick Cheetham says: "Our drilling is to test the near surface potential with historic deep drilling results comparing favourably to those reported at Hannukainen".

He adds: "With price rises for iron ore predicted to be around 35% for 2008, eventual production within Europe would show big transport savings against the cost of importing this commodity".

Assay results from Tertiary's drilling should be known within a two-month period.

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1. The historical tonnage figure referred to by GTK does not conform to any resource categories in any recognised resource estimation Code or Instrument. The Company believes that this tonnage figure is speculative and should not be relied upon. The Company does not have - and is not aware of - any resource estimates which conform to the standards laid out in any recognised Code or Instrument.