

Besra delivers 3,438 ounces of gold to redeem fully its outstanding Gold Loan Notes

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John Seton, Chief Executive Officer of Besra, is pleased to announce that the Company has made the final delivery of 3,438 ounces of gold under its Gold Loan Notes settling a face value of approximately US\$4.1 million.

The Gold Loan Notes matured on 31 May 2013, bearing an interest rate of 8% per annum, and were secured by certain assets of the Company (See Besra press release dated 21 June 2010). Note holders holding approximately twenty-six percent (26%) of the outstanding principal amount of original gold loan notes converted to the 8% Gold-Linked notes, which will mature two years later on 6 May 2015.

Seton stated, “The gold loan was an innovative financing for some of the capital costs for development of our Phuoc Son property in Vietnam whilst avoiding a potentially large equity dilution. With paying off the outstanding gold loan, we have simplified our debt, and strengthened our balance sheet going forward.”

Besra (www.besra.com) is a diversified gold company focused on four advanced properties; the Bau Goldfield in East Malaysia, Bong Mieu and Phuoc Son in Central Vietnam, and Capcapo in the Philippines. Besra expects to expand existing gold production capacity in Vietnam over the next two years and is projecting new production capacity from Bau Central during late 2015 (start up and production forecasts will depend on the result of the current Jugan feasibility, which is scheduled for completion in 2013).

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