



Capital Drilling Limited
("Capital Drilling" or "the Group")

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Egypt Operations

Capital Drilling Limited (CAPD:LN), the emerging and developing markets drilling company, notes the announcement made today by Centamin PLC regarding the resumption of gold exports. The Company awaits further information from Centamin PLC regarding the reopening of operations at Sukari.

We look forward to providing a further update to the market as soon as possible.

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About Capital Drilling

Capital Drilling provides specialised drilling services to mineral exploration and mining companies in emerging and developing markets, for exploration, development and production stage projects. The Company currently owns and operates a fleet of 89 drilling rigs with established operations in Chile, Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana, Mauritania, Mozambique, Tanzania, Solomon Islands and Zambia. The Group's corporate headquarters is in Singapore and it has its administrative offices for South America in Santiago.