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### **Southern Arc Announces Drill Results From Mencanggih and Pelangan Prospects, West Lombok Project**

**September 21, 2011 – Vancouver, BC – Southern Arc Minerals (TSX-V: SA)** (“Southern Arc”) has received assay results from the first two holes drilled on the Mencanggih Prospect on its West Lombok Project in Indonesia. Drill holes MCG001 and MCG002 drilled at the Waterfall target (Figure 1) failed to reach their target depth; however, both holes intersected parallel subsidiary epithermal quartz vein and breccia structures (Figure 2) that returned the following encouraging intervals:

<b>MCG001</b>	<b>2.30 m @ 3.96 g/t Au from 257.50 m</b>
including	0.80 m @ 7.60 g/t Au from 259.00 m
<b>MCG002</b>	<b>2.00 m @ 5.15 g/t Au from 118.70 m</b>
including	0.20 m @ 9.80 g/t Au from 118.70 m

Based on surface mapping, the Waterfall target comprises a 1,200 metre long zone of mineralized epithermal breccias and veins, with two main parallel structures (15m average width) that are interpreted to coalesce at depth based on structural data (Figure 2).

Dr. Mike Andrews, Southern Arc’s President and Chief Operating Officer, commented: *“The first drill holes at the Mencanggih prospect have returned encouraging intercepts and confirm gold mineralization at depth, albeit in splays peripheral to the main target zones. Further drilling at Waterfall is a high priority and we look forward to reporting results as the drill program advances.”*

Holes MCG001 and MCG002 were halted in August following local unrest. Southern Arc has increased security at site and expects to resume drilling at Mencanggih by month end to test gold-bearing epithermal breccias with a program of approximately 30 holes to an average depth of 300 metres to complete a total of 10,000 metres by year end (Figure 1). Follow-up drilling with the objective of completing a National Instrument 43-101 compliant resource estimate for Mencanggih will continue through the first half of 2012.

#### **Pelangan Drill Results**

Southern Arc has also received assays for holes PDL028 to PDL033 drilled at the Pelangan Prospect.

PLD028 (Central Raja)	1.35m @ 1.0 g/t Au and 6.2 g/t Ag from 251.05m
PLD031 (South Raja)	3.90m @ 3.9 g/t Au from 154.70m
including	0.85m @ 11.5 g/t Au from 156.40m
PLD032 (South Raja)	13.15m @ 1.4 g/t Au from 87.20m
including	3.30m @ 2.3 g/t Au from 97.05m
PLD033 (Tanjung)	0.65m @ 1.04 g/t Au from 114.95m

Drill holes PLD029 and PLD030 at North Raja did not intersect any significant mineralization.

Southern Arc has drilled more than 7,000 metres at Pelangan as part of its Phase 2 exploration program. Drilling will resume at Pelangan in late Q4-2011 with approximately 13,000 metres with the objective of completing a National Instrument 43-101 compliant resource estimate for the Pelangan Prospect in the first half of 2012.

### **On behalf of the Board of Directors**

*“John Proust”*

Chairman and CEO

### **About Southern Arc**

Southern Arc Minerals Inc. is an Indonesia-based Canadian mineral exploration company with an aggressive exploration, acquisition and growth strategy. The Company’s portfolio includes four exploration projects with epithermal gold and gold-copper porphyry prospects on the Lombok and Sumbawa islands in Indonesia, three of which are being advanced in partnership with major mining companies Vale and Newcrest. The Company’s key exploration property is its West Lombok project, with several gold-rich copper porphyry and epithermal gold vein prospects. Southern Arc is listed on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol SA. More information is available at [www.southernarcminerals.com](http://www.southernarcminerals.com) or by emailing [info@southernarcminerals.com](mailto:info@southernarcminerals.com).

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### ***Qualified Person and Quality Control and Assurance***

*The information in this release has been compiled under the supervision of Southern Arc’s Chief Geologist, Andrew Rowe B. App. Sc. Geology, MAusIMM. Mr. Rowe has over 18 years of international mineral exploration experience throughout Southeast and Central Asia and Australia. During this time he has held such positions as Chief Geologist – Feasibility Studies, Senior Geologist and Consulting Geologist. Mr. Rowe has sufficient experience relevant to the style of mineralization under consideration and qualifies as a Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101.*

*The drill program and sampling protocol is managed by Southern Arc under the supervision of Andrew Rowe. The diamond drill holes are drilled at PQ, HQ and NQ sizes depending on hole depth and core recovery to date has averaged 98.0%. Half core is cut by rock saw and is generally sampled using nominal 1-metre intervals; however, sample intervals are varied according to geological contacts and have ranged between 0.2 to 2.5 metres in length. Three quality control samples (one blank and two standards) are inserted into each batch of 40 samples. The half core samples are securely transported from the project site to the Intertek Testing Services (“ITS”) sample preparation laboratory in Sumbawa Besar via private truck hired by Southern Arc. Sample pulps are then sent to the ITS Jakarta laboratory by ITS. Gold is analysed by fire assay with AAS finish and a four-acid digestion with ICP-MS finish is used to analyse a full suite of elements including silver and base metals. ITS is one of the world’s largest product and commodity testing, inspection and certification organizations. The Jakarta laboratory is ISO 17025 accredited and employs a Laboratory Information Management System for sample tracking, quality control and reporting.*

### ***Forward-looking Statements***

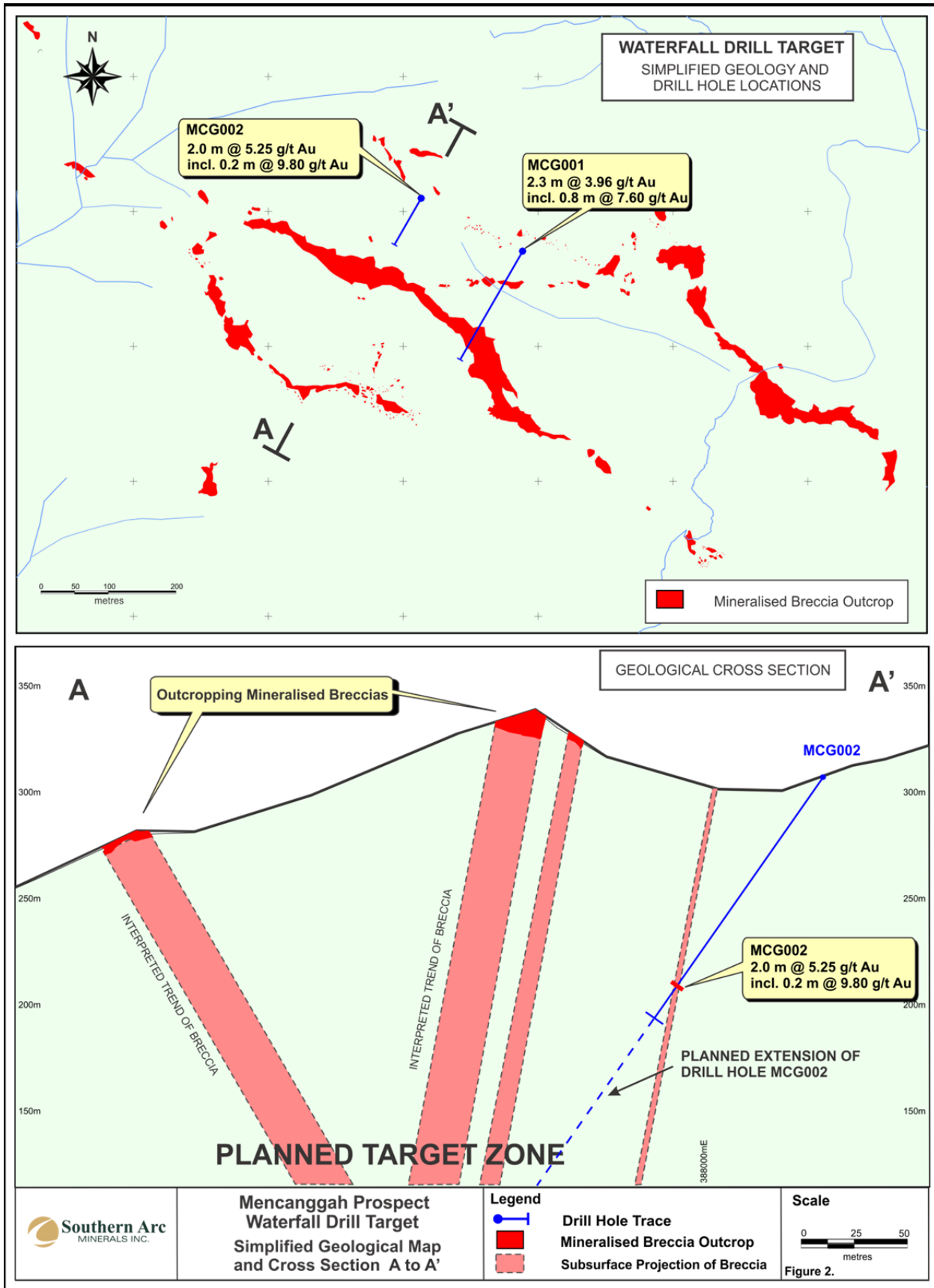
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Figure 2 – Mencanggah Prospect – Waterfall Drill Target Simplified Geology and Drill Hole Locations



**Table 1 – Mencanggih Prospect, Phase 1 Drilling, Diamond Drill Hole Statistics**

HOLE ID	COORDINATE UTM		EL. (m above MSL)	AZIMUTH (N...°E)	INCL (~°)	FINAL DEPTH (m)	INTERVAL	SIGNIFICANT INTERSECTIONS (Au g/t)
	E	N						
MCG001*	388177.0	9022741.0	277	210	-50	288.30	257.50 - 259.80 m	2.30 m @ 3.96 g/t Au
MCG002*	388026.6	9022819.6	309	210	-55	138.30	118.70 - 120.70 m	2.00 m @ 5.15 g/t Au

\* Silver results pending.

**Table 2 – Pelangan Prospect, Phase 2 Drilling, Diamond Drill Hole Statistics**

HOLE ID	COORDINATE UTM		EL. (m above MSL)	AZIMUTH (N...°E)	INCL (~°)	FINAL DEPTH (m)	INTERVAL	SIGNIFICANT INTERSECTIONS (Au/Ag g/t)
	E	N						
PLD001	384577.0	9028692.0	144.8	59	-50	150.00	56.55 - 61.4 m incl. 56.55 - 57.9 m	4.85 m @ 7.11/18.5 1.35 m @ 16.7/17.0
PLD002	384577.0	9028692.0	144.8	59	-75	221.80	120.15 - 137.4 m incl. 121.6 - 130.35 m	17.25 m @ 5.73/11.7 8.75 m @ 10.51/20.7
PLD003	384530.9	9028672.1	120.4	65	-65	300.30	232.95 - 249.50 m incl. 237.50 - 245.20 m incl. 240.70 - 245.20 m	16.55 m @ 5.5/3.7 7.70 m @ 10.9/6.1 4.50 m @ 17.6/8.0
PLD004	384656.2	9028587.2	186.8	70	-50	150.00	79.25 - 90.20 m incl. 88.70 - 90.20 m	10.95 m @ 2.00/34.0 1.5 m @ 5.6/166.0
PLD005	384463.8	9028885.9	71.6	100	-50	149.20	72.70 - 74.45m and 92.90 - 94.85m	17.5 m @ 1.15/4.9 1.95 m @ 1.16/13.7
PLD006	384656.2	9028587.2	186.8	70	-68	149.00	110.05 - 126.20m incl. 110.05 - 112.50m	16.15 m @ 1.4/12.0 2.45 m @ 4.7/34.0
PLD007	384490.0	9028777.6	77.6	62	-45	158.75	78.80 - 118.50m incl. 78.50 - 96.20m incl. 88.10 - 94.25m 127.70 - 128.45m	39.7 m @ 9.4/15.7 17.40 m @ 19.4/28.3 6.15 m @ 37.7/26.0 0.75 m @ 22.1/15.4
PLD008	384615.3	9028682.7	161.2	75	-45	156.00	70.35 - 81.90m incl. 70.35 - 81.90m 93.70 - 105.50m incl. 100.2 - 102.2m	11.55 m @ 9.80/31.1 3.5 m @ 26.1/96.5 11.8 m @ 1.40/9.2 2.00 m @ 3.70/22.6
PLD009	384530.9	9028672.1	120.4	32	-60	295.00	217.30 - 225.50m incl. 217.30 - 221.60m	8.20 m @ 4.4/2.7 4.30 m @ 7.5/3.9
PLD010	384615.3	9028682.7	161.2	72	-70	195.00	127.35 - 149.40 m incl. 140.40 - 149.40 m incl. 140.80 - 142.20 m	22.05 m @ 2.7 / 2.8 9.0 m @ 4.6 / 1.6 1.4 m @ 11.5 / 2.3
PLD011	384529.0	9028670.0	117.0	65	-60	282.35	210.20 - 226.70m incl. 211.50 - 216.25m	16.5 m @ 3.2 / 16.4 4.75 m @ 8.2 / 41.9
PLD012	384490.0	9028777.6	77.6	55	-70	310.10	108.80 - 11.60 m 188.50 - 194.50 m	2.8 m @ 0.5 / 5.4 6.0 m @ 0.5 / 2.0
PLD013	384631.4	9028649.5	184.3	82	-65	201.00	110.40 - 134.90 m incl. 117.80 - 126.75 m	24.5 m @ 1.3 / 5.9 8.95 m @ 2.3 / 11.8
PLD014	384711.1	9028441.1	191.7	50	-65	159.00	74.60 - 111.80 m incl. 90.70 - 99.90 m	37.2 m @ 2.5 / 14.2 9.2 m @ 4.1 / 24.0
PLD015	384591.5	9028646.3	168.1	84.6	-70	341.50		<i>No significant result</i>
PLD016	384566.9	9028767.9	106.6	63	-70	157.90	91.90 - 102.90 m incl. 93.50 - 95.80 m and 98.50 - 99.20 m	11.0 m @ 2.17/8.6 2.30 m @ 4.00/14.5 0.7 m @ 4.50/4.0
PLD017	384709.1	9028440.0	191.6	15	-65	195.35	132.40 - 138.40 m incl. 132.40 - 133.70 m	6.0 m @ 2.2/13.1 1.30 m @ 4.9/11
PLD018	384388.5	9029050.0	69.9	65	-47	162.90	79.30 - 80.00 m	0.70 m @ 2.4/2.7
PLD019	384663.3	9028360.5	221.6	70	-46	228.10	147.10 - 152.30 m	5.2m @ 4.1/10.3

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PLD020	384309.8	9028698.1	183.9	215	-50	187.00	66.95 - 68.00 m 78.65 - 80.35 m 110.05 - 111.00 m	1.05m @ 1.3/1.5 1.7m @ 2.5/0.8 0.95m @ 1.4/3.3
PLD021	384640.2	9028566.2	171.1	65	-70	296.70	<i>No significant result</i>	
PLD022	384783.9	9028193.0	269.9	80	-55	182.20	101.80 - 117.60 m incl. 111.40 - 117.00 m incl. 115.60 - 117.00 m	15.8m @ 3.6/19.7 5.6m @ 7.0/12.6 1.4m @ 18.2/10.9
PLD023	384245.7	9028742.7	183.1	210	-50	164.25	<i>No significant result</i>	
PLD024*	384663.3	9028360.5	221.6	65	-67	280.45	223.85 - 225.80 m	1.95 m @ 3.3
PLD025*	384783.1	9028193.0	271.1	44	-65	214.35	145.55 - 160.55 m 165.30 - 175.35 m 189.80 - 191.10 m	15 m @ 1.0 10.05 m @ 1.1 1.3 m @ 4.1
PLD026	384374.6	9029164.6	44.2	65	-55	77.60	<i>Abandoned due to water</i>	
PLD027*	384120.8	9028807.5	190.2	210	-50	247.25	167.20 - 193.40 m incl. 167.20 - 168.50 m incl. 189.15 - 192.60 m	26.2 m @ 4.2 1.3 m @ 30.1 3.45 m @ 12.3
PLD028	384375.2	9028828.0	121.1	70	-61	334.20	251.05 - 252.40 m	1.35 m @ 1.0/6.2
PLD029	384313.1	9029257.0	53.3	65	-50	154.15	<i>No significant result</i>	
PLD030	384158.7	9029448.0	32.4	65	-50	154.20	<i>No significant result</i>	
PLD031*	384728.4	9028268.0	266.1	70	-50	213.15	154.70 - 158.60 m incl. 156.40 - 157.25 m	3.90 m @ 3.9 0.85 m @ 11.5
PLD032*	384809.5	9028103.0	267.3	65	-45	191.40	87.20 - 100.35 m incl. 97.05 - 100.35 m	13.15 m @ 1.4 3.30 m @ 2.3
PLD033*	384003.4	9028878.0	219.0	210	-50	187.95	114.95 - 115.6 m	0.65 m @ 1.04
PLD034	383794.0	9029010.4	230.1	210	-50	100.00		
PLD036	383897.1	9028942.8	228.1	210	-50	15.20		
PLD037	384809.5	9028103.0	267.3	65	-75	39.45		
PLD038	384728.4	9028268.0	266.1	70	-70	11.75		
<b>Total Drilled Length</b>						<b>7,014.50</b>		

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