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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE RATIFIES THE REVISED PROVINCIAL REGULATION (PERDA)

Vancouver, B.C.: Southern Arc Minerals Inc. (“Southern Arc” or the “Company”) (TSX Venture: SA) provides the following update to its previous news releases pertaining to the West Nusa Tenggara Provincial Spatial Planning Regulation (“Perda”).

The Company is pleased to report that the Provincial Legislature has ratified the revised provincial regulation (Perda).

The Company’s current understanding is that next steps in the process are for the ratified document to be endorsed by the Department of Home Affairs in Jakarta and subsequently enacted into law by the Governor of West Nusa Tenggara.

The company will issue a news release when the revised Perda becomes law.

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