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RESUMPTION OF DRILLING PROGRAM AT PELANGAN, WEST LOMBOK

Vancouver, B.C.: Southern Arc Minerals Inc. (TSX Venture: SA) is pleased to announce that Southern Arc's project staff have held successful meetings with local government officials and community leaders to ensure a common understanding of the Company's drilling program at all levels within the community. After the brief interruption the drilling program at Pelangan will be fully resumed over the next several days.

**On behalf of the Board of
Southern Arc Minerals Inc.**

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