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**Southern Arc Appoints Hamish Campbell as Director and  
Andrew Rowe as Executive Vice President**

**June 8, 2012 – Vancouver, BC – Southern Arc Minerals (TSX-V: SA, OTCQX: SOACF)** (“Southern Arc” or “the Company”) is pleased to announce the appointment of Hamish J Campbell to its Board of Directors and the promotion of Andrew J Rowe to the position of Executive Vice President.

“Hamish will further strengthen Southern Arc’s Board of Directors with his insight into the Indonesian mining industry,” said John Proust, Southern Arc’s Chairman and CEO. “With his extensive exploration, geological and business experience, Hamish was instrumental in establishing Southern Arc’s Indonesian projects and exploration strategy. We look forward to his continued participation in the role of Director.

“In his capacity as Chief Geologist for Southern Arc, Andrew has demonstrated his ability to plan and implement large-scale exploration programs, managing both the technical and personnel aspects of day-to-day operations,” continued Mr. Proust. “In his expanded role as Executive Vice President, Andrew will plan and oversee Southern Arc’s exploration programs and evaluate strategic opportunities for Southern Arc in Indonesia.”

Hamish Campbell has headed Southern Arc’s exploration programs in Indonesia since inception of the Company as Vice President, Exploration and then Executive Vice President, and played an integral role in building Southern Arc’s portfolio and exploration team. Hamish has the highest reputation within the Indonesian mineral exploration community, with over 27 years of international mineral exploration experience including 24 years in Indonesia. He speaks Indonesian fluently and has held senior exploration positions for several companies including Southern Arc. Hamish has established and managed local and foreign-owned mining service companies, designed and implemented exploration programs and directed detailed evaluations and assessments of joint venture and acquisition opportunities. As a Director, Hamish will continue to oversee Southern Arc’s development strategy and business interests as the Company’s senior in-country representative.

Andrew Rowe, formerly Chief Geologist, has been promoted to the position of Executive Vice President with the responsibility of planning and managing Southern Arc’s day-to-day operations and exploration programs in Indonesia. Andrew Rowe is a geologist with 20 years of experience in mineral exploration and project management in Australia and various countries in Southeast Asia including Thailand, Indonesia, Mongolia, China and Laos. During this time he held exploration positions with Renison Goldfields, Queensland Mines, Normandy Anglo Asia, Phelps Dodge, Aurora Gold and Ivanhoe Mines. Before joining Southern Arc in May 2006, Andrew was the principal geologist for Pan Australian Resources Ltd (Laos) and part of the management team responsible for successfully bringing the Phu Kham Cu-Au porphyry deposit through to bankable feasibility.

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

*“John Proust”*

Chairman & CEO, Director

## **About Southern Arc**

Southern Arc Minerals Inc. is a Canadian mineral exploration company with an aggressive exploration, acquisition and growth strategy. The Company's portfolio includes four exploration projects with epithermal gold and copper-gold porphyry prospects on the Lombok and Sumbawa islands in Indonesia, two of which are being advanced in partnership with Vale S.A. 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 and on the OTCQX International under the symbol SOACF. 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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