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ORD SECURES ADDITIONAL BAUXITE EXPLORATION AREAS FOR LAOS BOLAVEN PLATEAU BAUXITE PROJECT

Ord River Resources (ORD), and its joint venture (JV) partner China Non-ferrous Metals International Mining Co., Ltd (CNMIM), have secured interests in an additional prospecting licence covering 580 square kilometres in the Bolaven Plateau, Southern Laos for bauxite exploration and development.

Under the acquisition agreement between ORD, CNMIM and a Lao company, the JV acquires its interest progressively through an earning work program in three stages, (namely: surveying stage; prospecting, feasibility study and mine development planning stage; and mining, production and processing stage) culminating in the JV owning 85% interests at the third stage.

In October 2006, a JV was formed between ORD (49%) and CNMIM (51%) to develop a bauxite deposit over an area of 138 square kilometres in the Bolaven Plateau close to the newly acquired area. The JV has 70% interest in that area.

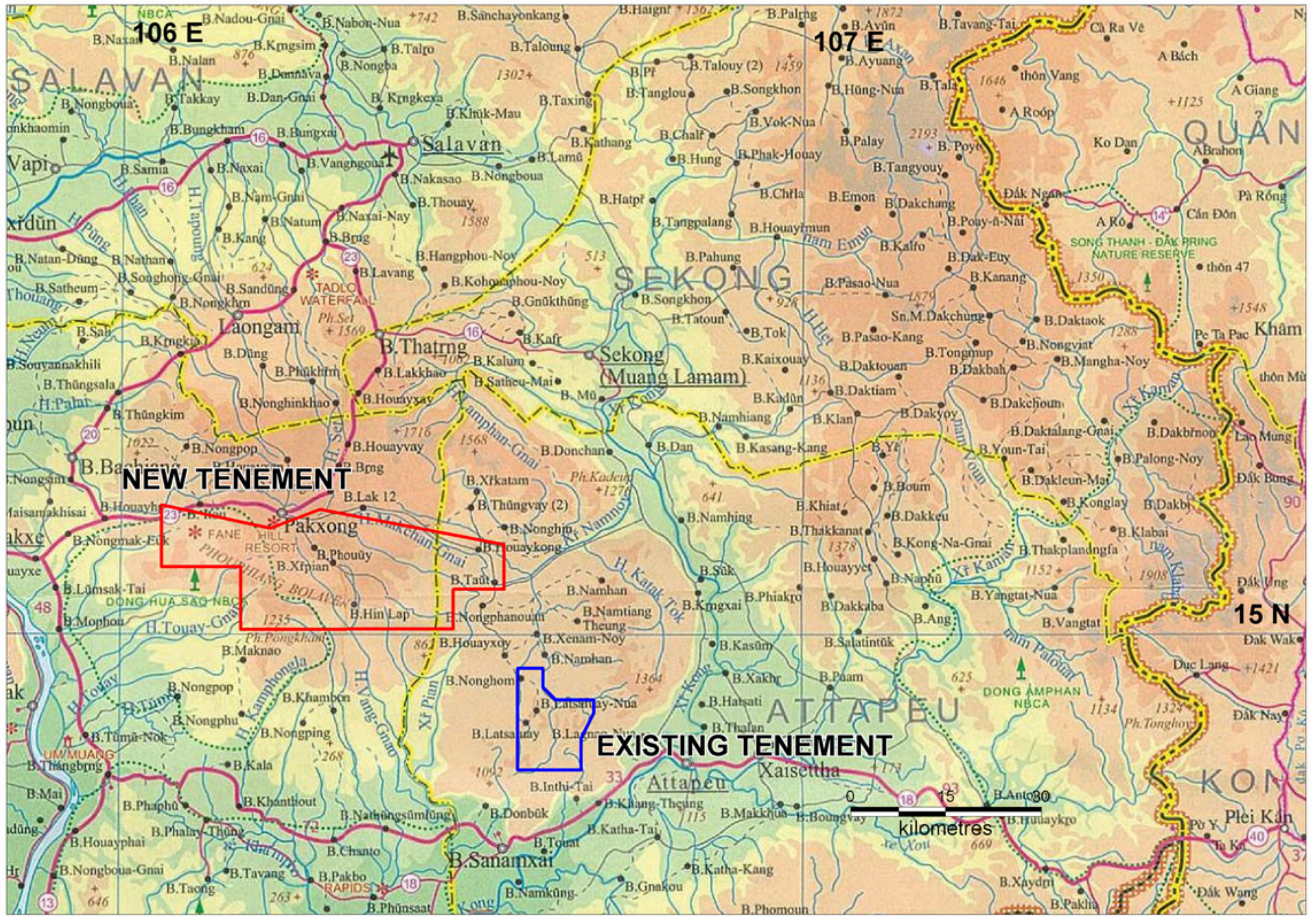
The combined bauxite development area for the JV is now 718 square kilometres. Negotiations are in progress for additional tenements in surrounding areas for consolidation to implement the JV plan for a world class aluminium industry in Laos.

Bolaven Plateau is considered to have the potential for one of the largest undeveloped bauxite deposits in the world.

CNMIM is China's major institution for sourcing non-ferrous mineral supplies for Chinese industry and ORD has a co-operation agreement with CNMIM in this quest.

A map showing the locations of the new and existing tenements is attached.

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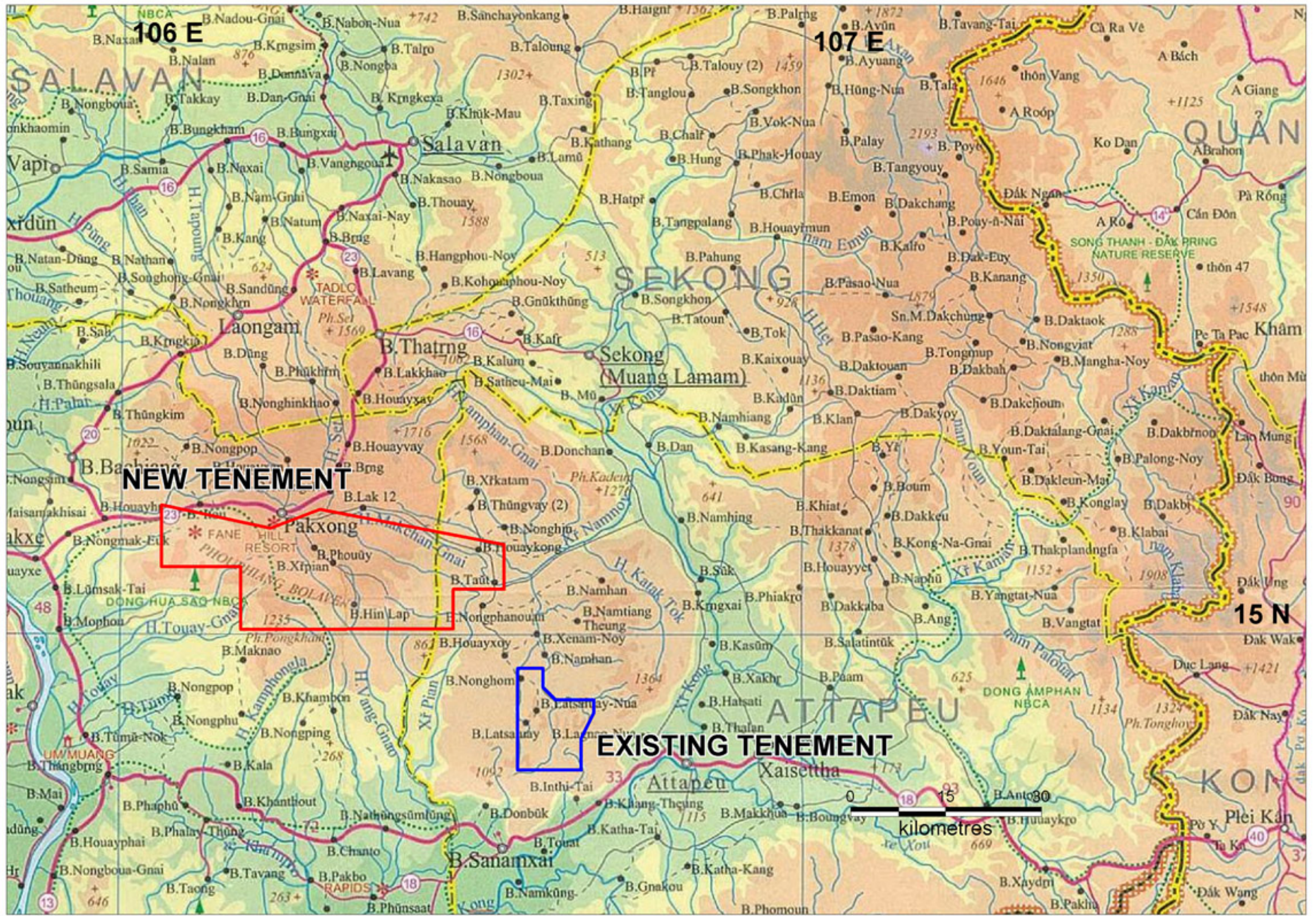
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ORD consolidates bauxite deposits in Laos

Ord River Resources (ORD) has consolidated its position on the Bolaven Plateau, Laos, which potentially contains one of the world's largest undeveloped bauxite deposits.

Initial exploration shows the Plateau has the potential to be as large as Western Australia's Darling Ranges' deposits, which produce 14% of the world's alumina.

ORD already has an interest in 138 square kilometres of the Bolaven Plateau.

ORD has now acquired an interest in a further 580 square kilometres through its partner China Non-ferrous Metals International Mining Co., Ltd (CNMIM), a Chinese government entity which represents the country's international non-ferrous metals resource development.

"We now have interests in 718 square kilometres of the Bolaven Plateau, with negotiations under way to acquire further tenements," said John Towner, Executive Chairman, ORD.

"We are commencing a drilling program in our existing tenement and a sampling program in the new area this quarter.

"We are very encouraged with the progress being made to develop a world class aluminium project."

The development in Laos is testament to ORD's strengthening relationship with CNMIM.

Both tenement interests have been acquired through a joint venture between CNMIM (51%) and ORD (49%).

The joint venture has 70% of the existing 138 square kilometer tenement and up to 85% of the new area.

"Beyond technical support, CNMIM brings access to the enormous Chinese metals market. We have a ready market for product off-take, one of the essential building blocks for a potential mine development," said Towner.

The Bolaven Plateau has the potential to support a fully integrated aluminium industry: bauxite mining, an alumina refinery and an aluminium smelter.

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