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## TR-1: NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTEREST IN SHARES<sup>1</sup>

1. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are attached: <sup>"</sup>		Metals Exploration plc	
2 Reason for the notification (please tick the appropriate box or boxes):			
An acquisition or disposal of voting rights			$\checkmark$
An acquisition or disposal of qualifying financia acquisition of shares already issued to which v			
An acquisition or disposal of instruments with s financial instruments	economic effect to qualifying		
An event changing the breakdown of voting rig	hts		
Other (please specify):			
3. Full name of person(s) subject to the notification obligation:	Solomon Capital Limited		
<b>4. Full name of shareholder(s)</b> (if different from 3.): <sup>iv</sup>			
5. Date of the transaction and date on which the threshold is crossed or reached: <sup>v</sup>	16 August 2011		
6. Date on which issuer notified:	17 August 2011		
7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached: vi, vii	32%		

8. Notified details:							
A: Voting rights attached to shares <sup>viii, ix</sup>							
Class/type of Situation previous shares to the triggering transaction		Resulting situation after the triggering transaction					
if possible using	Number Number of of		Number of shares	Number of voting% of voting rights		ng rights <sup>×</sup>	
the ISIN CODE	Shares	Voting Rights	Direct	Direct <sup>xi</sup>	Indirect <sup>xii</sup>	Direct	Indirect
Ordinary	147,604,617	147,604,617	222,864,781	222,864,781	None	32.1	None

B: Qualifying Financial Instruments					
Resulting situation after the triggering transaction					
Type of financial instrument	Expiration date <sup>xiii</sup>	Exercise/ Conversion Period <sup>xiv</sup>	Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/ converted.	% of voting rights	
N/A					

C: Financial Instruments with similar economic effect to Qualifying Financial Instruments						
Resulting situation after the triggering transaction						
Type of financial instrument	Exercise price	Expiration date <sup>xvii</sup>	Exercise/ Conversion period <sup>xviii</sup>	Number of voting rights instrument refers to	% of voting rights <sup>xix,</sup>	
N/A					Nominal	Delta

Total (A+B+C)	
Number of voting rights	Percentage of voting rights
222,864,781	32.1

## 9. Chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments are effectively held, if applicable: xxi

N/A

Proxy Voting:				
10. Name of the proxy holder:	N/A			
11. Number of voting rights proxy holder will cease to hold:				
12. Date on which proxy holder will cease to hold voting rights:				

13. Additional information:	The disclosure follows the exercise of options by Solomon Capital Limited announced on 16 August 2011 in respect of 125,260,164 ordinary shares and the immediate transfer of 50,000,000 of the new shares to Baker Steel Capital Managers LLP. The disclosure is based on the resultant issued share capital of 694,673,626 ordinary shares.	
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