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MINCON GROUP PLC
(“Mincon” or the “Company”)

Director Appointment

Mincon (*ESM:MIO AIM:MCON*), the Irish engineering group specialising in the design, manufacture, sale and servicing of rock drilling tools and associated products, announces the appointment of Hugh McCullough (age 66) as a non-executive director of the company with immediate effect. Mr McCullough has also assumed the position of senior independent director of the board.

Mr McCullough has over 40 years' experience in gold and base metal exploration, principally in Ireland, Ghana and Mali. Having previously worked as a project geologist, in 1982 he became chief executive of Glencar Mining plc. Mr. McCullough was responsible for the management, financing and strategy of Glencar for over 27 years until it was acquired by Gold Fields Limited in September 2009. Mr McCullough currently serves as a director on the board of Papua Mining plc, an exploration company with projects in Papua New Guinea and which trades on the AIM market of the London Stock Exchange.

Mr. McCullough is a professional geologist and holds an Honours degree in geology from University College Dublin and the degree of Barrister-at-Law from the King's Inns, Dublin. In 1994 he was appointed by the then Irish Minister for Energy to the National Minerals Policy Review Group to review Irish Minerals Policy and to make recommendations to the Minister for the reform of the fiscal and regulatory policy for the mining industry in Ireland.

Padraig McManus, Chairman of Mincon, commented: *“I am delighted to welcome Hugh to the Board of Mincon. He brings immense industry experience at a senior level with his background in the mining sector and this experience will be of great benefit to the Company as it continues to grow and develop.”*

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Mr Hugh Martin McCullough holds no shares in Mincon, and, other than as set out below, there is no further information to be disclosed under schedule 2(g) and Rule 17 of the AIM and ESM Rules in respect of Mr McCullough's appointment as a Non-Executive Director.

Mr McCullough is, or has been, a director of the following companies during the previous five years:

Current Directorships:

Papua Mining plc

Ghalu Limited

Previous Directorships:

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