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# Sleeping Giant Zone Extended, Nachingwea Ni-Cu JV, Tanzania

## **Highlights**

- Sleeping Giant zone extended 150 metres down plunge to the south in NAD11-243 which intersected 53m at 0.52% Ni and 0.13% Cu, including 1.04% Ni and 0.27% Cu over 13.0m.
- Sleeping Giant zone extended 70 to 100 metres up dip to the east.
- Disseminated nickel sulphide mineralisation grading between 0.2% and 0.9% nickel over wide widths intersected in the hanging wall of the Sleeping Giant zone within the pit shell.

Joint Venture Project Update:- IMX Resources Limited (ASX:IXR) is pleased to report that the latest analytical results received for the 2011 core drilling program have both extended the Sleeping Giant nickel-copper zone, and intersected the disseminated nickel sulphide mineralisation within the resource pit shell. The Sleeping Giant zone is part of the Nachingwea JV Ntaka Hill Ni-Cu deposits in southern Tanzania. The Nachingwea project is a 25:75 Joint Venture between IMX Resources Limited ('IMX') and Continental Nickel Limited ('CNI') of Canada.

In early December the JV team completed a 38 hole, 13,336m step-out drilling program at Ntaka Hill, which was designed to expand the current Mineral Resource at Sleeping Giant and to test selected targets within the Ntaka intrusion. The JV is now focussing on delivering an updated and expanded Mineral Resource in early 2012. The confirmation and expansion of the hanging wall disseminated sulphide zones within the existing pit shell is a significant development and is expected to positively impact potential nickel production and lower stripping ratios. Results for ten drill holes at Sleeping Giant are reported in this release and in Table 1 of the CNI release below, with further hole results to be released as they become available.

A full discussion of current results including a table of assays can be viewed in the CNI release to the TSXV attached below.

### **Nachingwea Holding Structure**

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IMX's interest in the Nachingwea Ni-Cu JV Project is held through a direct 25% interest in the Tanzanian joint venture company, Ngwena Limited, and indirectly through a 37.2% interest in CNI. IMX funds its joint venture interest on a pro rata basis. CNI are manager and operator of the project.

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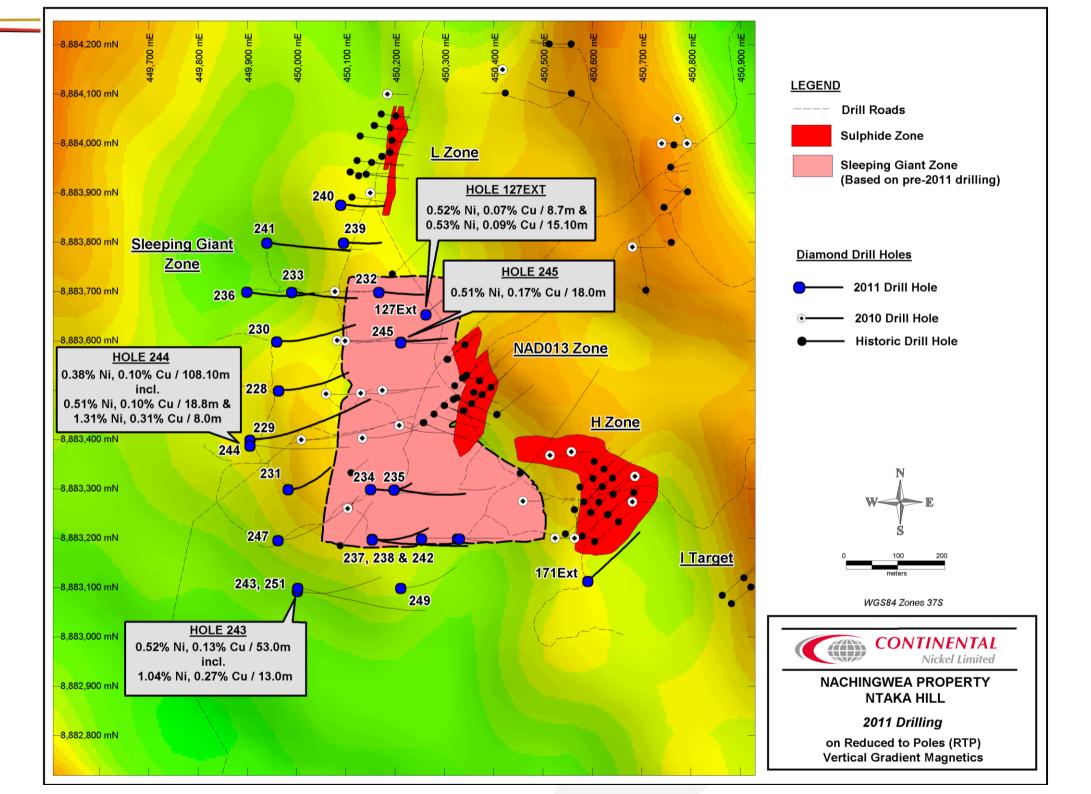
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#### **About IMX Resources Limited**

IMX Resources Limited (ASX:IXR) – is headquartered in Perth, Western Australia, is listed on the Australian Stock Exchange (ASX) with a current market capitalisation of approximately \$100m.

IMX is an active diversified mining company with a mining project in South Australia, and exploration projects in South Australia, Tasmania, as well as Tanzania and Mozambique in East Africa, focusing on a range of commodities including iron-ore, nickel, copper and gold. IMX is currently working towards focusing its activities on steel and steel related products, whilst ensuring it maintains shareholder value for those projects that fall outside of this core business activity.

The company is disciplined in following a careful strategy to maximise shareholder value by discovering and developing ore bodies. IMX achieves this by participating in multiple, quality exploration projects in joint ventures with global mining companies, and by listing spin-off companies, to ensure programs with high potential are well-funded, while retaining a significant interest to provide exposure for IMX shareholders.

IMX owns 51% of the Cairn Hill mine, 55 kilometres south-east of Coober Pedy, South Australia close to the Darwin - Adelaide railway. Phase 1 is a unique magnetite Fe-Cu-Au DSO project. The ore produces a premium coarse grained magnetite product, with a clean saleable Cu/Au concentrate. IMX has a Phase 1 life of mine sales offtake agreement with the Sichuan Taifeng Group. A Phase 2 resource has been announced and the joint venture project group is currently accelerating the development program to commence production of a saleable  $\pm$  60% Fe intermediate concentrate.

IMX owns 100% of the iron ore rights on the Mt Woods tenements where besides the potential of Phase 3 magnetic anomalies outside ML6303, recent drilling has intersected magnetite to the south and west of Cairn Hill including Snaefell. The immediate upside for Cairn Hill / Mt Woods remains the definition of further resources to support a long term 3-5mtpa iron ore operation.

IMX has a joint venture with OZ Minerals for the non-iron ore rights on its Mt Woods tenements. OZ Minerals has 51% of the joint venture and must spend \$20m over 5 years to retain this interest. OZ Minerals is targeting Prominent Hill style copper / gold mineralisation.

In Tanzania, IMX holds 100% of the Mibango nickel / copper / platinum project. IMX is currently undertaking extensive field work to understand the potential of this area.

IMX spun off 70% of the Nachingwea Nickel - Copper project in Tanzania into a Continental Nickel Limited (TSXV:CNI) in August 2007. IMX currently holds 37.0% of Continental Nickel and retains a 25% interest in the Nachingwea Nickel - Copper project through a joint venture company structure. IMX is currently participating in the JV funding requirements in order to maintain its 25% JV interest.

IMX owns 26.6% of Uranex (ASX:UNX), a spin-off from IMX, which is a dedicated uranium company with assets in Australia and Tanzania. IMX has announced its intention to distribute the shares it owns in Uranex to its shareholders as an in specie distribution.

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## Press Release

# **Continental Nickel Extends Sleeping Giant Zone at Ntaka Hill Project, Tanzania**

**TORONTO, ONTARIO December 14, 2011** - Continental Nickel Limited (TSX VENTURE:CNI) ("CNI" or the "Company") is pleased to report that additional assays have been received from the recently completed drilling program at Ntaka Hill. Highlights include drill hole NAD11-243 which intersected Sleeping Giant mineralization grading 0.52% Ni and 0.13% Cu over 53.0m including 1.04% Ni and 0.27% Cu over 13.0m. This intersection extends the Sleeping Giant zone an additional 150 metres down plunge to the south. The project is a 75:25 joint venture between CNI and IMX Resources Limited ("IMX") of Australia.

The Company completed a step-out drilling program at Ntaka Hill in early December. This program was being carried out to expand the current Mineral Resource of the Sleeping Giant and to test selected other targets within the Ntaka intrusion. A total of 13,336 metres of diamond drilling was completed in thirty-eight holes and three deepened holes. Results for ten drill holes at Sleeping Giant are reported herein and provided below in Table I. A drill hole location figure may be viewed using the link provided with this release. Results for fourteen additional holes are pending and will be reported as results are received and compiled.

### **Highlights**

- Sleeping Giant zone extended 150 metres down plunge to the south.
- Sleeping Giant zone extended 70 to 100 metres up dip to the east.
- Numerous additional intersections of disseminated nickel sulphide mineralization grading between 0.2 and 0.9% nickel over wide widths intersected in the hanging wall of the Sleeping Giant zone within the pit shell.

Mr. David Massola, President and CEO, commented "We are pleased to have concluded a successful in-fill drilling program which has confirmed extensions to Sleeping Giant, particularly in the up-plunge, up-dip and down plunge directions. The confirmation and expansion of the hanging wall disseminated sulphide zones is also a significant development for the project and is expected to positively impact potential nickel production and lower stripping ratios. We are now focussing our efforts on delivering an updated and expanded Mineral Resource in early 2012".

#### **Drilling Results**

Assay results for ten holes are given in Table I. Drill holes are arranged by drill section starting from the south end of Sleeping Giant and progressing north. The table includes a summary of intersections for the Sleeping Giant zone ("SLG") as well as various hanging wall ("HW") and footwall ("FW") zones. Significant results are given in more detail below.

#### **Extension of Sleeping Giant Down Plunge to South on Section 3100N**

Drill holes NAD11-243, 249 and 251 were drilled on section 3200N, 150 metres to the south of hole NAD11-238 which intersected 2.66% nickel and 0.60% copper over 14.3 metres (Press Release November 2, 2011). NAD11-243 intersected a wide zone of disseminated sulphides which graded 0.52% nickel and 0.13% copper over 53.0m from 488 to 541 metres including a higher grade section which assayed 1.04% nickel and 0.27% Cu over 13.00 meters. This hole deviated 50 metres off section to the south and extends the Sleeping Giant zone and additional 150 metres down plunge to the south from previous drilling.

NAD11-249 was drilled 100 meters up dip and approximately 50 metres up plunge of NAD11-243 and intersected narrow widths of heavily disseminated to net-textured to semi-massive sulphides interpreted to correlate with the Sleeping Giant zone. This mineralization graded 1.23% nickel and 0.71% copper over 4.65 metres from 355.35 to 360 meters. A similar looking, but more pyrrhotite-rich, footwall zone returned 0.51% nickel and 0.17% copper over 12.8 metres from 436.2 to 449 metres.

NAD11-251 was drilled 100 metres down-dip and approximately 50 metres up plunge of NAD11-243 and intersected disseminated Sleeping Giant mineralization grading 0.52% nickel and 0.09% copper over 12.0 metres from 485 to 497 metres.

#### Up Dip Extension of Sleeping Giant on Sections 3600N and 3700N

Drill hole NAD11-245 was a re-drill of abandoned hole NAD11-227 on section 3600N and tested for the extension of the Sleeping Giant zone 70 metres up-dip of hole NAD10-225. NAD11-245 intersected disseminated, bleb and net-textured sulphides grading 0.51% nickel and 0.17% copper over 18.0 metres from 188 to 206 metres. This mineralization is located near the down hole edge of a much wider halo of weakly disseminated sulphides which returned 0.23% nickel and 0.06% copper over 98.0 metres from 131 to 229 metres.

A NAD013 zone drill hole completed in 2008 (NAD08-127) was deepened to test for the extension of the Sleeping Giant zone 100 metres up-dip of hole NAD11-232. NAD08-127EXT intersected two zones of disseminated and bleb sulphides which graded 0.52% nickel and 0.07% copper over 8.7 metres from 141.3 to 150 metres and 0.53% nickel and 0.09% copper over 15.10 metres from 188 to 206 metres, respectively. This hole was collared on section 3650N but was drilled at an azimuth of 050° and intersected Sleeping Giant between sections 3700-3725N.

These holes will extend the Sleeping Giant zone by an additional 70 to 100 metres up dip to the east in the immediate vicinity of the NAD013 zone.

### **Hanging Wall Disseminated Sulphide Mineralization**

Disseminated nickel sulphides were intersected in the hanging wall of Sleeping Giant on all drill sections reported herein and represent mineralization identified as being potentially economic in the recently released Preliminary Economic Assessment (Press Release October 5, 2011). Similar to previously reported results, the new intersections typically returned values ranging from 0.2 to 0.6% nickel over widths of 5 to 55 metres. These hanging wall zones lie within the pit shell used to define the 2011 Mineral Resource estimate and will be included in the updated Mineral Resource estimate to be completed in early 2012.

#### **Qualified Persons**

The quality control, technical information and all aspects of the exploration program are supervised by Patricia Tirschmann, P. Geo., Vice President, Exploration for CNI. Ms. Tirschmann is a qualified person as defined by National Instrument 43-101.

#### **Quality Control**

The drilling was completed by Tandrill Limited of Tanzania. Drill core samples (NQ) are cut in half by a diamond saw on site. Half of the core is retained for reference purposes. Samples are generally 1.0 metre intervals or less at the discretion of the site geologists. Sample preparation is completed at the ALS Chemex preparation lab in Mwanza, Tanzania. Sample pulps are sent by courier to the ALS Chemex analytical laboratory in Vancouver, Canada. Blank samples and commercially prepared and certified Ni sulphide analytical control standards with a range of grades are inserted in every batch of 20 samples or a minimum of one per sample batch. Analyses for Ni, Cu and Co are completed using a peroxide fusion preparation and ICP-AES finish (Analytical Code ME-ICP81). Analyses for Pt, Pd, and Au are by fire assay with an ICP-AES finish (Analytical Code PGM-ICP23).

#### **About Continental Nickel Limited**

Continental is focused on the exploration, discovery and development of nickel sulphide deposits in geologically prospective, but under-explored regions globally. The Company's key asset is its 75% interest in the Nachingwea project in Tanzania, where Mineral Resources (Measured and Indicated) have been estimated at 60,900 tonnes of contained nickel, and an additional 131,000 tonnes of contained nickel in Inferred Mineral Resources (CNI press release April 15, 2011). The project is a 75:25 exploration joint venture between the Company and IMX Resources Limited.

The Company also has an option to joint venture on the St. Stephen project in New Brunswick, Canada where the 2010 diamond drill program discovered new Ni-Cu sulphide zones.

As at the date of this release, the Company has 42,738,508 common shares issued and outstanding (51,156,914 on a fully-diluted basis) and trades on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol CNI. The Company remains well funded with over C\$13.6 million in the treasury as at June 30, 2011.

Table I: Summary of Assay Results Sleeping Giant Zone, Ntaka Hill

| Drill hole<br>(NAD11-) | Location<br>East/ North<br>UTM:WGS84 | Az / Dip  | Length<br>(m) | From<br>(m)     | To<br>(m) | Interval<br>(m) | % Ni | % Cu | Zone       |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|---------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|------|------|------------|
| Section 3100N          |                                      |           |               |                 |           |                 |      |      |            |
| 243                    | 450005mE<br>8883098mN                | 100 / -64 | 559.75        | 395.00<br>Incl. | 541.00    | 146.00          | 0.31 | 0.08 | HW/<br>SLG |
|                        | 0000000                              |           |               | 488.00<br>Incl. | 541.00    | 53.00           | 0.52 | 0.13 | 010        |
|                        |                                      |           |               | 517.00          | 530.00    | 13.00           | 1.04 | 0.27 |            |
| 249                    | 450213E<br>8883098N                  | 095 / -79 | 457.85        | 202.00          | 207.00    | 5.00            | 0.87 | 0.17 | HW         |
|                        |                                      |           |               | 239.00          | 249.00    | 10.00           | 0.28 | 0.08 | HW         |
|                        |                                      |           |               | 318.00          | 327.00    | 9.00            | 0.26 | 0.09 | HW         |

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|--------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--------|------|------|------------|--|--|
|                    |                                       |           |                    | 355.35          | 360.00   | 4.65   | 1.23 | 0.71 | SLG        |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    | 436.20          | 449.00   | 12.80  | 0.51 | 0.17 | FW         |  |  |
| 251                | 4500035                               | 000 / 75  | 550.75             |                 |          |        |      |      |            |  |  |
| 251                | 450003E                               | 098 / -75 | 550.75             | 293.00          | 347.00   | 54.00  | 0.31 | 0.05 | HW         |  |  |
|                    | 8883094N                              |           |                    | Incl.<br>309.15 | 330.00   | 20.85  | 0.50 | 0.10 |            |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    | 389.00          | 404.00   | 15.00  | 0.27 | 0.04 | HW         |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    | 459.00<br>Incl. | 507.95   | 48.95  | 0.30 | 0.06 | SLG        |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    |                 | 497 NO   | 12.00  | 0.52 | 0.00 |            |  |  |
|                    | 485.00   497.00   12.00   0.52   0.09 |           |                    |                 |          |        |      |      |            |  |  |
| 242                | 450155E                               | 090 / -64 | 433.40             | 235.00          | 244.00   | 9.00   | 0.20 | 0.04 | HW         |  |  |
| 242                | 8883198N                              | 0907-04   | 433.40             |                 |          |        |      |      |            |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    | 262.00          | 269.45   | 7.45   | 0.22 | 0.03 | HW         |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    | 287.00          | 308.25   | 21.25  | 0.29 | 0.07 | SLG        |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    | Incl.           |          |        |      |      |            |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    | 289.75          | 297.70   | 7.95   | 0.57 | 0.12 |            |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    | 417.75          | 429.25   | 11.50  | 0.37 | 0.13 | FW         |  |  |
| 247                | 449963E<br>8883198N                   | 095 / -82 | 547.75             | 259.00          | 269.00   | 10.00  | 0.22 | 0.02 | HW         |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    | 296.00          | 344.00   | 48.00  | 0.20 | 0.04 | HW         |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    | 399.00          | 399.40   | 0.40   | 2.13 | 0.14 | SLG        |  |  |
|                    | Section 3400N                         |           |                    |                 |          |        |      |      |            |  |  |
| 244                | 449906E<br>8883389N                   | 95 / -65  | 495.75             | 199.00          | 218.00   | 19.00  | 0.23 | 0.04 | HW         |  |  |
|                    | 000330314                             |           |                    | 241.90<br>Incl. | 350.00   | 108.10 | 0.38 | 0.10 | HW/<br>SLG |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    | 247.00          | 258.00   | 11.00  | 0.54 | 0.15 | 320        |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    | and             | 230.00   | 11.00  | 0.54 | 0.13 |            |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    | 272.20          | 291.00   | 18.80  | 0.51 | 0.10 |            |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    | and<br>303.00   | 311.00   | 8.00   | 1.31 | 0.31 |            |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    | and             |          |        |      |      |            |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    | 343.40          | 346.10   | 2.70   | 1.27 | 0.29 |            |  |  |
|                    | •                                     |           | Se                 | ction 3500N     |          |        |      |      |            |  |  |
| 228W               | 449964mE                              | 090 /     | 478.10             | 478.10          |          |        | NSV  | NSV  |            |  |  |
|                    | 8883500mN                             | -75.5     |                    |                 | <u> </u> |        |      |      |            |  |  |
|                    | Section 3600N                         |           |                    |                 |          |        |      |      |            |  |  |
| 245                | 450211E                               | 095 / -65 | 232.38             | 25.55           | 55.00    | 29.45  | 0.22 | 0.04 | HW         |  |  |
|                    | 8883597N                              |           |                    | 105.00          | 114.55   | 9.55   | 0.21 | 0.07 | HW         |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    | 131.00          | 229.00   | 98.00  | 0.23 | 0.06 | SLG        |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    | Incl.           |          |        |      |      | 31.0       |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           |                    | 188.00          | 206.00   | 18.00  | 0.51 | 0.17 |            |  |  |
| Section 3650/3700N |                                       |           |                    |                 |          |        |      |      |            |  |  |
| 127EXT             | 450263E<br>8883655N                   | 050 / -50 | 217.40<br>Extended | 141.30          | 150.00   | 8.70   | 0.52 | 0.07 | HW         |  |  |
|                    |                                       |           | by 102m            | 171.00          | 186.10   | 15.10  | 0.53 | 0.09 | SLG        |  |  |

| Section 3800N |                       |           |        |        |        |       |      |      |     |  |
|---------------|-----------------------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|-------|------|------|-----|--|
| 241           | 449946mE<br>8883800mN | 090 / -55 | 379.50 | 164.00 | 167.55 | 3.55  | 0.46 | 0.14 | HW  |  |
|               | 88838001111           |           |        | 231.50 | 244.00 | 12.50 | 0.26 | 0.05 | HW  |  |
|               |                       |           |        | 303.10 | 311.20 | 8.10  | 0.21 | 0.05 | SLG |  |

#### Notes:

Intervals represent core lengths, not necessarily true widths.

Pt, Pd and Au assay results are not reported because in general, they are less than 1.0 g/t on a combined basis.

NSA – No Significant Assays

HW = Hanging Wall

FW = Foot Wall

SLG = Sleeping Giant Zone

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