



**NAMIBIA CRITICAL METALS INC.**

## Press Release

### **NAMIBIA CRITICAL METALS SELLS NON-CORE ASSETS IN NAMIBIA TO SYLLA GOLD CORP.**

**Halifax, Nova Scotia March 19, 2024** – Namibia Critical Metals Inc. (“Namibia Critical Metals” or the “Company” or “NCMI”) (TSXV: NMI OTCQB: NMREF) announces that it has entered into a share purchase agreement with Sylla Gold Corp. (“Sylla” or “SYG”) to divest four non-material gold properties located in Namibia. Under the agreement, Sylla is to acquire NCMI’s 95% interest in its Namibian subsidiaries that own the rights, title and interest to the Grootfontein, Erongo, Otjiwarongo, and Kaoko licences, and certain associated assets.

NCMI now fully focuses on advancing its Lofdal Heavy Rare Earth Project and is working to deliver a Pre-Feasibility Study (PFS) in H2 2024.

#### **Terms of the Agreement**

As consideration for the acquisition, Sylla shall: (i) issue to NCMI 3,000,000 common shares at a deemed issuance price of \$0.05 per common share; and (ii) make a cash payment to NCMI of \$100,000.

Closing is subject to the satisfaction (or waiver) of a number of conditions precedent, including, but not limited to receipt of all regulatory approvals and the acceptance of the TSX Venture Exchange. The transaction is a Non-Arm’s Length transaction pursuant to TSX Venture Exchange policies as Darrin Campbell, President and a director of NCMI, is also a director of Sylla.

#### **About Namibia Critical Metals Inc.**

NCMI is developing the Tier-1 Heavy Rare Earth Project, Lofdal, a globally significant deposit of the heavy rare earth metals dysprosium and terbium. Demand for these critical metals used in permanent magnets for electric vehicles, wind turbines and other electronics is driven by innovations linked to energy and technology transformations. The geopolitical risks associated with sourcing many of these metals has become a repeated concern for manufacturers and end users. Namibia is a proven and stable mining jurisdiction. The Lofdal Project is fully permitted with a 25-year Mining License and is under a Joint Venture agreement with Japan Organization for Metals and Energy Security (**JOGMEC**).

## **About Japan Organization for Metals and Energy Security (JOGMEC) and the JV**

JOGMEC is a Japanese government independent administrative agency which seeks to secure stable resource supplies for Japan. JOGMEC has a strong reputation as a long term, strategic partner in mineral projects globally. JOGMEC facilitates opportunities with Japanese private companies to secure supplies of natural resources for the benefit of the country's economic development.

Rare earth elements are of critical importance to Japanese industrial interests and JOGMEC has extensive experience with all aspects of the sector. JOGMEC provided Lynas with USD\$250,000,000 in loans and equity in 2011 to ensure supplies of the Light Rare Earths metals suite to the Japanese industry.

Namibia Critical Metals owns a 95% interest in the Lofdal project with the remaining 5% held for the benefit of historically disadvantaged Namibians. The terms of the JOGMEC joint venture agreement with the Company stipulate that JOGMEC provides C\$3,000,000 in Term 1 and C\$7,000,000 in Term 2 to earn a 40% interest in the Lofdal project. Term 3 calls for a further C\$10,000,000 of expenditures to earn an additional 10% interest. JOGMEC can also purchase another 1% for C\$5,000,000 and has first right of refusal to fully fund the project through to commercial production and to purchase all production at market prices. The collective interests of NCMi and historically disadvantaged Namibians cannot be diluted below a 26% carried working interest upon payment of C\$5,000,000 to JOGMEC for the dilution protection. NMI may elect to participate up to a maximum of 44% by funding pro rata after the earn in period is completed.

To date, JOGMEC has completed Term 2 and earned a 40% interest by reaching the C\$10 million expenditure requirement. JOGMEC has approved an additional C\$3,050,000 budget for Term 3 through to March 31, 2024. Total approved project funding to date is C\$13,050,000 of the \$20,000,000 Earn-In requirement to reach 50% interest.

The common shares of Namibia Critical Metals Inc. trade on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol "NMI" and the OTCQB Market under the symbol "NMREF".

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