



PRESS RELEASE

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BATLA MINERALS SELLS SPECIAL "KIMBERLEY PURPLE" DIAMOND

Batla Minerals SA (NYSE Euronext (Marche Libre): MLBAT)

Batla Minerals is proud to announce that it successfully sold the 30.8 carat "Kimberley Purple" diamond.

The special purple diamond was recovered at Batla's Kimberley operations and was successfully tendered via Batla's relationship with Fusion/Hennig Tenders. The diamond was shown in New York and Antwerp during the last two weeks of April, at which viewings were well attended.

The sales process closed on Thursday, 30 April with the highest bid of \$5.6m.

Batla intends to apply the sale proceeds as follows:

- Catch up on outstanding loan payments and pay down a portion of the Hawkfield loans
- Capital plant upgrades at Group operations
- Secure payment of remaining vendor payments for EMU and Samber
- Increase general working capital provision

About Batla Minerals

Batla Minerals is a French resource investment company listed on the NYSE Euronext (Marche Libre: MLBAT). El Nino Mining is Batla's operating company, based in South Africa. The company has active diamond operations in South Africa and Lesotho, and is developing its current asset in the base metal (tungsten) category. New diamond ventures are sought across Southern Africa.

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