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Verkhuba Copper Deposit - Transaction Discussions

East Star Resources Plc (LSE:EST), the Kazakhstan-focused gold and base metals explorer, announces it is in advanced transaction discussions which may or may not lead to a joint venture agreement in respect of the Verkhuba Copper Deposit ("Verkhuba") in the East Region of Kazakhstan. The transaction, if concluded, may result in a partner, with mine and plant construction and operating experience, developing Verkhuba in return for a majority interest in the licence. There can be no certainty that any transaction will proceed, or as to the terms of any such transaction.

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About East Star Resources Plc

East Star Resources is focused on the discovery and development of copper and gold in Kazakhstan. The Company is pursuing multiple exploration strategies including:

- Volcanogenic massive sulphide (VMS) exploration, with a maiden JORC MRE of 20.3Mt @ 1.16% copper, 1.54% zinc and 0.27% lead, in an infrastructure-rich region, amenable to a low capex development
- A 2nd VMS Exploration Target with up to 23Mt @ 2.4% copper equivalent in the same region
- $25 million+ strategic gold exploration joint venture with Endeavour Mining
- Tier 1 potential copper porphyry targets in a known copper porphyry belt

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