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Thor Enters into definitive Share Purchase Agreement to acquire African Star

Thor Explorations Ltd. (TSX VENTURE:THX) (“**Thor**” or the “**Company**”) is pleased to announce that it has entered into a definitive share purchase agreement (the “**Share Purchase Agreement**”) with African Star Resources Incorporated (“**African Star**”) and its shareholders pursuant to which the Company will acquire from the shareholders of African Star (the “**Vendors**”) all of the issued and outstanding shares of African Star (the “**Transaction**”). African Star is a party to an option agreement (as described below) pursuant to which it has the option to acquire a 70% interest in the Douta Gold Project, located in southeast Senegal. The Company previously announced on June 15, 2011 that it had entered into a letter agreement with the Vendors.

The Company will acquire all of the outstanding shares of African Star for a purchase price of approximately \$2,600,000 which shall be satisfied through the issuance to the Vendors of 16,745,795 common shares of the Company (“**Thor Shares**”), which will be issued to the Vendors in proportion to their relative shareholdings of African Star. African Star has received a bridge loan of US\$520,000 (the “**Loan**”) pursuant to a previously announced bridge loan agreement between African Star and an undisclosed arm’s length third party. On or after the closing of the Transaction, the Company will repay the Loan and issue the Lender up to 1,000,000 Thor Shares as consideration for advancing the Loan or such lesser number as may be approved by the TSX Venture Exchange. The Company will also pay a finder’s fee of 251,187 Thor Shares to a finder on the closing of the Transaction.

The transactions contemplated under the Letter Agreement will be a “Fundamental Acquisition” in accordance with the policies of the TSX Venture Exchange (the “**TSXV**”). The Transaction is subject to approval by the TSXV and other customary conditions.

Closing of the Transaction will be subject to a number of conditions, including but not limited to completion of due diligence and approval of the TSXV.

About African Star and the Option Agreement

African Star is a British Virgin Islands company which is party to an option agreement (the “**Option Agreement**”) with International Mining Company (“**IMC**”). Pursuant to the Option Agreement,

African Star has the option to acquire a 70% interest in the Douta Gold Project located in southeast Senegal. The option may be exercised by payment to IMC of US\$2,250,000 (the “**Option Payment**”) which will be satisfied in Thor Shares, or with the mutual agreement of the parties, in cash. In the event that the Option Payment is satisfied through the issuance of Thor Shares, the deemed price per share of the Thor Shares so issued will be equal to the greater of: (i) the volume weighted average trading price (“**VWAP**”) of the Thor Shares for the 20-day period following the date hereof; and (ii) the VWAP of the Thor Shares for the 20-day period preceding the Exercise Date (as defined below). However, should the foregoing calculation result in IMC being entitled to receive in excess of 11,250,000 Thor Shares, then in such circumstances IMC will instead receive: (i) 11,250,000 Thor Shares; and (ii) a cash payment equal to the difference between US\$2,250,000 and (11,250,000 multiplied by the deemed issue price per Thor Share), to an aggregate maximum cash payment of US\$506,250.

The option is exercisable until November 25, 2011 (the “**Exercise Date**”), however, African Star may extend the Exercise Date to February 25, 2012, subject to payment of an additional US\$100,000 payable in Thor Shares on the Exercise Date.

African Star and IMC intend to set up a property company (“**Property Company**”) to hold each of the parties’ interest in the Douta Gold Project and, in accordance with the Senegal Mining Code, the government of Senegal would be granted a 10% “free carry” interest in the Property Company.

Pursuant to the terms of the Option Agreement, IMC’s 30% interest will be a “free carry” interest until such time as the Company announces probable reserves on the Douta Gold Project (the “**Free Carry Period**”). Following the Free Carry Period, IMC must either elect to sell its 30% interest to African Star at a purchase price determined by an independent valuator commissioned by African Star or fund its 30% share of the Property Company’s expenses.

About the Douta Gold Project

The Douta Gold Project currently consists of an early stage gold exploration licence located in southeastern Senegal, approximately 700km east of the capital city Dakar. The permit lies within the Kéniéba Inlier which hosts in excess of 40Moz of gold and has attracted major international mining companies.

The permit covers an area of 103 km², and lies in proximity to recent discoveries of significant gold deposits. Access to the permit is by road from Dakar and the closest town is Kédougou which is approximately 60 km from site.

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