

# SouthGobi Announces Notice From Mongolian Government Plenipotentiary and Designation of Company's Mining Deposits as Mineral Deposits of Strategic Importance

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[SouthGobi Resources Ltd.](#) (TSXV:SGQ) (HK:1878) ("SouthGobi" or the "Company") announces that, on April 2, 2025, Southgobi Sands LLC ("SGS"), the Company's wholly-owned Mongolian subsidiary, received a letter from a plenipotentiary representative of the Mongolian government (the "Notice") which invited SGS to participate in negotiations to determine the Mongolian state's ownership interest in SGS, being the legal entity which holds the Company's coal mining licenses in Mongolia.

The Notice states that, in furtherance of Mongolia's National Wealth Fund Law which was passed in April 2024, the Mongolian government resolved on February 5, 2025 to appoint a plenipotentiary representative (the "Plenipotentiary Representative of the Mongolian Government") to negotiate with legal persons holding a mining license for a deposit designated by the Mongolian government as a strategically important deposit ("Mineral Deposits of Strategic Importance") in relation to determining the proportionate interest the Mongolian state has in such legal entity or whether to replace the Mongolian state's interest with a royalty interest.

The Company has been advised by its Mongolian legal counsel that the Government of Mongolia is empowered to participate on an equity ownership basis with the license holder in the exploitation and/or mining of each Mineral Deposit of Strategic Importance on terms to be negotiated between the Government of Mongolia and such license holder. Based solely on the knowledge of the Company's Mongolian legal counsel, the Company is aware that various other license holders of Mineral Deposits of Strategic Importance have entered into similar negotiations with the Plenipotentiary Representative of the Mongolian Government.

As at the date of this announcement, the deposits covered by four of the Company's Mongolian mining licenses have been designated as Mineral Deposits of Strategic Importance by Mongolian government authorities. The relevant mining licenses relate to the Company's Ovoot Tolgoi Mine and the Soumber Deposit.

On April 24, 2025, SGS initiated preliminary discussions with the Plenipotentiary Representative of the Mongolian Government. The Company anticipates that the discussions between SGS and the Plenipotentiary Representative of the Mongolian Government will continue and both parties will endeavour to engage in good faith for the purpose of arriving at a mutual and constructive understanding and agreement. The Company intends to fully cooperate with the Mongolian government and provide all necessary information to the extent permitted by applicable law.

The Company will continue to monitor developments concerning changes in the scope of the Mineral Deposit of Strategic Importance and the consequential impact, if any, on the Company and its business and operations, while seeking to protect its lawful interests and rights over its mineral deposits.

The Company will issue further announcement(s) to update shareholders and potential investors regarding material developments as and when necessary.

Shareholders and potential investors of the Company should exercise caution when dealing in the shares of the Company.

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## Forward-Looking Statements

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## About SouthGobi

SouthGobi, listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange and the TSX Venture Exchange, owns and operates its flagship Ovoot Tolgoi coal mine in Mongolia. It also holds the mining licences of its other metallurgical and thermal coal deposits in South Gobi region of Mongolia. SouthGobi produces and sells coal to customers in China.

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