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RIO TINTO ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

The Annual General Meetings of Rio Tinto plc and of Rio Tinto Limited were held on 15 April 2009 and 20 April 2009 respectively. All resolutions were passed by poll by the requisite majorities. The results are as set out below and information on the proxy voting is set out in the Appendix.

Under Rio Tinto's dual listed companies structure established in 1995, decisions on significant matters affecting shareholders of Rio Tinto plc and Rio Tinto Limited in similar ways are taken through a joint electoral procedure.

The following resolutions, which were put to both Rio Tinto Limited and Rio Tinto plc shareholders on a poll at the respective Annual General Meetings, were subject to the joint electoral procedure and the aggregate results of the joint polls were as follows:

	FOR	AGAINST
Receipt of reports and financial statements (Resolution 1)	750,839,406	827,555
Approval of the Remuneration report (Resolution 2)	611,583,182	145,764,581
To elect Jan du Plessis as a director (Resolution 3)	729,083,880	28,117,733
To re-elect Sir David Clementi as a director (Resolution 4)	646,151,745	94,973,976
To re-elect Sir Rod Eddington as a director (Resolution 5)	450,142,495	246,107,390

To re-elect Andrew Gould as a director (Resolution 6)	651,081,905	91,088,239
To re-elect David Mayhew as a director (Resolution 7)	631,251,052	110,547,159
Re-appointment of auditors of Rio Tinto plc and auditors' remuneration (Resolution 8)	733,961,841	19,136,905
Non executive directors' fees (Resolution 9)	745,920,067	12,802,391

The following resolution was passed at the Rio Tinto plc meeting on 15 April 2009 and also the Rio Tinto Limited meeting held on 20 April 2009. The result of the poll at the Rio Tinto Limited meeting was as follows:

	FOR	AGAINST
Amendments to the Rio Tinto Limited constitution and adoption and amendment of new Rio Tinto plc articles of association (Resolution 11)	116,191,026	15,108,061

The following resolution was passed at the Rio Tinto Limited meeting held on 20 April 2009. The result of the poll was as follows:

	FOR	AGAINST
Renewal of authority to buy back shares held by Rio Tinto plc (Resolution 10)	136,844,617	3,037,623

Yours faithfully


Stephen Consedine
Company Secretary

Appendix

The following statistics in relation to the Annual General Meeting of Rio Tinto Limited held on 20 April 2009 are provided in accordance with section 251AA(2) of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth).

Shareholders are encouraged to look at the voting figures provided in the main part of this announcement, as proxy figures may not be an accurate indication of the voting at the general meetings; a proxy is an authority or direction to the proxy holder to vote and not a vote itself.

For resolutions 1 to 9 (where the DLC joint electoral procedure applied), unlike the voting figures provided in the main part of this announcement, the statistics below do not take into account the proxy votes cast by Rio Tinto plc shareholders.

Resolution 1: Receipt of reports and financial statements

Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed:	136,710,246
Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy:	
(i) was to vote for the resolution	128,724,696
(ii) was to vote against the resolution	604,300
(iii) was to abstain from voting on the resolution	8,318,014
(iv) may vote at the proxy's discretion	2,555,819

The total number of abstentions from voting on the poll on this resolution were: 8,318,014

Resolution 2: Approval of the Remuneration report

Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed:	127,702,167
Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy:	
(i) was to vote for the resolution	123,129,134
(ii) was to vote against the resolution	2,086,675
(iii) was to abstain from voting on the resolution	491,567
(iv) may vote at the proxy's discretion	2,483,881

The total number of abstentions from voting on the poll on this resolution were: 491,567

Resolution 3: To elect Jan du Plessis as a director

Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed:	139,671,137
Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy:	
(i) was to vote for the resolution	124,390,873
(ii) was to vote against the resolution	12,750,473
(iii) was to abstain from voting on the resolution	533,965
(iv) may vote at the proxy's discretion	2,527,518

The total number of abstentions from voting on the poll on this resolution were: 533,965

Resolution 4: To re-elect Sir David Clementi as a director

Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed:	133,356,634
Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy:	
(i) was to vote for the resolution	90,639,261
(ii) was to vote against the resolution	39,194,140
(iii) was to abstain from voting on the resolution	7,213,411
(iv) may vote at the proxy's discretion	3,155,318

The total number of abstentions from voting on the poll on this resolution were: 7,213,411

Resolution 5: To re-elect Sir Rod Eddington as a director

Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed:	134,461,233
Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy:	
(i) was to vote for the resolution	45,606,906
(ii) was to vote against the resolution	85,154,266
(iii) was to abstain from voting on the resolution	6,343,209
(iv) may vote at the proxy's discretion	3,097,033

The total number of abstentions from voting on the poll on this resolution were: 6,343,209

Resolution 6: To re-elect Andrew Gould as a director

Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed:	133,365,054
Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy:	
(i) was to vote for the resolution	94,092,960
(ii) was to vote against the resolution	35,759,787
(iii) was to abstain from voting on the resolution	7,205,690
(iv) may vote at the proxy's discretion	3,144,392

The total number of abstentions from voting on the poll on this resolution were: 7,205,690

Resolution 7: To re-elect David Mayhew as a director

Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed:	133,363,117
Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy:	
(i) was to vote for the resolution	85,862,419
(ii) was to vote against the resolution	43,989,235
(iii) was to abstain from voting on the resolution	7,207,627
(iv) may vote at the proxy's discretion	3,143,548

The total number of abstentions from voting on the poll on this resolution were: 7,207,627

Resolution 8: Re-appointment of auditors of Rio Tinto plc and auditors' remuneration

Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed:	139,864,707
Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy:	
(i) was to vote for the resolution	135,951,436
(ii) was to vote against the resolution	1,351,759
(iii) was to abstain from voting on the resolution	369,456
(iv) may vote at the proxy's discretion	2,527,887

The total number of abstentions from voting on the poll on this resolution were: 369,456

Resolution 9: Non executive directors' fees

Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed:	138,610,008
Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy:	
(i) was to vote for the resolution	126,232,912
(ii) was to vote against the resolution	11,134,359
(iii) was to abstain from voting on the resolution	487,399
(iv) may vote at the proxy's discretion	1,240,260

The total number of abstentions from voting on the poll on this resolution were: 487,399

Resolution 10: Renewal of authority to buy back shares held by Rio Tinto plc

Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed:	139,702,402
Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy:	
(i) was to vote for the resolution	134,951,405
(ii) was to vote against the resolution	2,180,464
(iii) was to abstain from voting on the resolution	545,036
(iv) may vote at the proxy's discretion	2,521,979

The total number of abstentions from voting on the poll on this resolution were: 545,036

Resolution 11: Amendments to the Rio Tinto Limited constitution and adoption and amendment of new Rio Tinto plc articles of association

Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed:	131,145,861
Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy:	
(i) was to vote for the resolution	113,454,695
(ii) was to vote against the resolution	15,082,359
(iii) was to abstain from voting on the resolution	6,114,653
(iv) may vote at the proxy's discretion	2,551,122

The total number of abstentions from voting on the poll on this resolution were: 6,114,653