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## **NEW MINING LICENCE ISSUED FOR MOTHAE KIMBERLITE PROJECT**

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Lucapa Diamond Company Limited (ASX: **LOM**) (“Lucapa” or “the Company”) is pleased to announce that further to the ASX announcement of 31 January 2017, the Government of the Kingdom of Lesotho (“GoL”) has issued a new 10-year mining licence to Mothae Diamonds (Pty) Ltd (“Mothae Diamonds”) for the Mothae Kimberlite Project.

The issuance of the new 10-year mining licence was one of the conditions precedent for Lucapa to acquire its 70% interest in Mothae Diamonds, which has now been fulfilled.



Mothae kimberlite diamond project in Lesotho

Lucapa notes that the Lesotho Ministry of Mining has received a legal challenge against the award of the tender for Mothae Diamonds.

The Lesotho Ministry of Mining has advised Lucapa that the challenge is unfounded, without merit and is being vigorously defended.

For and on behalf of the Lucapa Board.

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