

MARKET RELEASE

21 August 2012

Chalice Gold Mines Limited

TRADING HALT

The securities of Chalice Gold Mines Limited (the "Company") will be placed in Trading Halt Session State at the request of the Company, pending the release of an announcement by the Company. Unless ASX decides otherwise, the securities will remain in Trading Halt Session State until the earlier of the commencement of normal trading on Thursday 23 August 2012, or when the announcement is released to the market.

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Mauro Piccini Australian Securities Exchange Exchange Plaza 2 The Esplanade Perth WA 6000

Dear Mauro

Chalice Gold Mines Limited requests a trading halt in its securities pending the release of an announcement in relation to the sale of Chalice's 60% interest in the Zara Gold Project in Eritrea.

We anticipate being in a position to make an announcement prior to commencement of trading on Thursday 23 August 2012.

We are not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted.

Regards

Richard Hacker Company Secretary

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