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DRILLING COMMENCES AT OVERFLOW PROJECT, COBAR, NSW, AUSTRALIA

Tri Origin Exploration Ltd. (TOE:CDNX) is pleased to announce that joint venture partner Triako Resources Limited has commenced drilling at the “Overflow” property, which is 100%-owned by **Tri Origin Australia NL (“TOA”)**, a 91%-owned subsidiary of TOE. Triako has the option to earn a 70% interest in the property by spending \$1.0 million Australian on exploration or by delineating a commercially viable resource over the next 4 years (Tri Origin news release, March 5, 2002).

Overflow is a 90 square kilometre property located 500 kilometres northwest of Sydney, New South Wales, Australia and 90 kilometres south of the Cobar Mining District. Cobar, the second largest base metal producing district in New South Wales, is a significant gold mining centre with the Peak Mine, operated by Rio Tinto, currently in production.

The Overflow property covers a number of gold and base metal occurrences. The most significant of these is the Overflow Mine, which saw limited, high-grade production of gold and copper during the late 1800's and early 1900's. Drilling below old mine workings by Delta Gold NL (now Aurion Gold Limited) in 1995 intersected up to 5.6 metres grading 7.5 grams of gold per tonne, 60 grams of silver per tonne, 5.0% lead and 11.9% zinc.

Triako is a Sydney-based, mining firm listed on the Australian Stock Exchange (trading symbol TKR). It operates the Mineral Hill Mine, an underground gold/copper mine in central NSW only 40 kilometres southeast of Overflow. Initial work by Triako will focus on drilling near the old mine workings at Overflow with the objective of rapidly delineating a resource, which may be transported to the Mineral Hill Mine for treatment. The initial program, now underway, will consist of 8 holes totaling 1900 metres to identify high-grade shoots of gold and base metals around the intersections previously reported by Delta. The budget for the first phase of drilling is estimated at \$100,000 Australian (~\$90,000 Canadian).

Shareholders will be notified of results upon completion of drilling by Triako.

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