

Class 1 Nickel acquires Somanike Nickel Project

TORONTO, Feb. 18, 2021 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Class 1 Nickel and Technologies Ltd. (CSE: NICO/OTCQB: NICLF) ("Class 1 Nickel" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that it has exercised the option to acquire a 100% interest in the Somanike Property pursuant the option agreement dated September 24, 2019, as amended and restated April 27, 2020, between Legendary Ore Mining Corp. (a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company) and Vanicom Resources Limited (the "Legendary Option Agreement"). Pursuant to the Legendary Option Agreement, the Company has exercised the option granted to Vanicom by Quebec Precious Metals Corporation ("QPMC") under an option agreement dated August 20, 2018, as amended (the "QPMC Option Agreement"), by paying Vanicom \$1 plus reimbursing Vanicom for all expenses made on the Somanike Property prior to the Company exercising said option.

The Somanike Property consists of 110 mining titles covering 5146.06 hectares located in the Abitibi area of the Province of Quebec. The Legendary Option Agreement was entered into following a reorganization of Vanicom, whereby Vanicom divested its ownership of Legendary to Vanicom shareholders, which was completed on September 19, 2019.

The Company has previously issued 181,089 common shares of the Company ("Common Shares") to QPMC and 53,846 Common Shares to Globex Mining Enterprises Inc. In order to exercise its option under the Legendary Option Agreement, the Company has paid QPMC an aggregate of \$75,000 and has drilled the necessary 750m of core on certain claims held by Globex Mining Enterprises Inc.

Exploration in the Somanike Property has been largely dormant since the early 1970s following the closing of the Marbridge Ni -Cu Mine in 1968. Historical exploration programs focused on Ni-Cu with the majority of assays conducted for Ni and very limited Cu. The entire project area was not investigated by modern geophysical surveys until 2014 and 2015, when Sphinx Resources Ltd. ("Sphinx") flew a VTEM survey over the entire Somanike Property with the objective of identifying nickel-copper sulphide targets. Compilation of all historical drill data in conjunction with the new VTEM survey identified numerous targets and exploration programs were designed to test for Nickel and Copper.

About Class 1 Nickel:

Class 1 Nickel and Technologies Limited (CSE: NICO/OTCQB: NICLF) is a Mineral Resource Company focused on the development of its 100% owned Alexo-Dundonald Project, a portfolio of komatiite hosted magmatic nickel-copper-cobalt sulphide Mineral Resources located near Timmins, Ontario. The Company also owns the Somanike komatiite hosted nickel copper project in Quebec, which includes the famous Marbridge Mine.

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