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Director Retires from Ivanhoe Mines' Board

VANCOUVER, CANADA – Ivanhoe Mines Ltd. announced today that the company's Board of Directors has accepted Director John Bruk's notice of retirement from the Board. Mr. Bruk, who has a long history in the mining industry, joined the Ivanhoe Board in August, 2004. His retirement took effect March 10, 2006.

Ivanhoe has a 100% interest in the Oyu Tolgoi gold and copper project in Mongolia and owns or controls exploration rights covering approximately 135,000 square kilometres in central and southern Mongolia, where additional copper-gold and coal discoveries have been made. Ivanhoe produces LME grade A copper from its Monywa joint venture in Myanmar.

Ivanhoe shares are listed on the Toronto, New York and NASDAQ stock exchanges under the symbol IVN.

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