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**Vedanta Resources plc**  
**Konkola Copper Mines**

Vedanta Resources, the London listed metals and mining company, notes that the President of the Republic of Zambia this weekend discussed the considerable potential growth of the Konkola Copper Mines in a public speech.

The speech mentioned the possibility of increasing capacity at the Nkana smelter and the future development of Konkola underground mine.

Vedanta sees considerable potential to improve the existing operations at Konkola and develop these assets. Plans are underway to expand the smelting capacity at Nkana and engineering studies are taking place at Konkola underground mine.

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Notes to Editors:

Vedanta is a London listed diversified metals and mining group. Our principal operations are located throughout India, with further operations in Zambia and Australia. The major metals produced are aluminium, copper, zinc and lead.

Vedanta, through a wholly owned subsidiary, acquired a 51% stake in Konkola Copper Mines in November 2004.