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## ASX/MEDIA RELEASE

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# Appointment of Director

**Perth:** Alara Resources Limited (ASX: AUQ) (**Alara**) is pleased to advise the appointment of John Hopkins as a Non-Executive Director to the Board.

John has extensive corporate and board experience in addition to his broad mining background that includes the inception, development and oversight of operations in several countries.



**John Hopkins**  
LLB, FAICD

Mr Hopkins (age 63) is a professional company director and chairman and a graduate in law of the University of Western Australia. He was admitted to practice as a barrister and solicitor in 1974.

During his professional career he has been on the board or chairman of more than 20 public listed companies (in Australia, UK and Canada) and as such has been involved in the financing and development (and subsequent M&A activities) of many gold, base metal, energy (coal and oil and gas), mineral sands and other resources projects in both Australia and Africa, Asia, Europe and North America.

In recent years Mr Hopkins has also chaired industrial and manufacturing companies listed on the ASX. He was chairman of gold producer Adamus Resources Limited (ASX: ADU) (which recently merged into Endeavour Mining Corporation (TSX: EDV, ASX: EVR). During his time as Chairman of the company he oversaw the transition of the company's Ghana operations from explorer to producer while taking its market capitalisation to +\$300m.

He is currently Chairman of ASX listed developing tungsten and tin producer Wolf Minerals Limited (ASX : WLF) and during his tenure on the Board the company has secured over \$200m debt and equity funding and is commencing development this year. He is also Chairman of ASX listed emerging South African based coal producer Universal Coal Plc (ASX: UNV) (which recently secured a major debt package from Rand Merchant Bank).

In the not for profit sector, Mr Hopkins is Chairman for Golf Australia (the national governing body for golf) and represents the national body at the international level.

He is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

## Welcoming John to the Board, Alara Managing Director, Philip Hopkins said:

*"John joins the Board at an important stage in Alara's development after having recently completed a positive DFS on its flagship Khnaiguiyah Zinc-Copper Project in Saudi Arabia and in turn, embarking on its plan to transition to becoming a production based company. John's extensive corporate and Board experience coupled with his very strong hands-on international mining experience will be a great asset to the Company going forward."*

*On behalf of Ian Williams, our Chairman and the entire Board of Directors I welcome John to Alara Resources and look forward to working with him in the years ahead."*

## **Retirement William Johnson Non-executive Director (NED)**

The Company would also like to reaffirm the planned retirement of William Johnson from the Board effective 31 October and take this chance to again thank William for his support and guidance over the years. The Board would like to wish William every success in the future.

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### **About Alara Resources**

Alara Resources Limited (ASX: AUQ) is an Australian-based minerals exploration and mine development company with a diverse portfolio of projects in Saudi Arabia and Oman. Alara has recently completed a Definitive Feasibility Study (DFS) on its flagship Khnaiguiyah Zinc-Copper Project in Saudi Arabia and a Scoping Study (SS) on its Daris/Washihi Copper-Gold Projects in Oman. The Company is now transitioning towards establishing itself as an emerging base and precious metals mine development and production company. For more information, please visit: [www.alararesources.com](http://www.alararesources.com).