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RE: STRONG NPAT UP 25% PCP, MARGINS INCREASED, GUIDANCE CONFIRMED

Please find attached a copy of a media release issued by CIMIC Group Limited, parent company of CIMIC Finance (USA) Pty Ltd.

Yours faithfully
CIMIC GROUP LIMITED

JOHN EASY
Group General Counsel & Company Secretary

29 OCTOBER 2015**STRONG NPAT UP 25% PCP, MARGINS INCREASED,
GUIDANCE CONFIRMED****OPERATING CASH FLOW OF \$1.35 BN YTD****NEW WORK OF \$11.34 BN YTD, WORK IN HAND \$28.8 BN**

CIMIC Group today announced a significant improvement in operating cash flow, margins and profit for the nine months to 30 September 2015:

- EBIT of \$650 million up 13.7% on the prior comparable period¹ (pcp). NPAT of \$393 million up 25.2% on the prior comparable period.
- EBIT and NPAT margins of 6.2% and 3.8% respectively, representing 160 and 130 basis point increases on the prior comparable period. 3Q15 EBIT and NPAT margins increased 170 and 210 basis points respectively compared with 3Q14.
- Operating cash flow of \$1.35 billion (\$500 million in 3Q). Net capital expenditure reduced by \$331 million on the prior period.
- During Q3 net debt (including operating leases) improved by \$323 million from \$215 million (gearing of 5.3%) as at 30 June 2015 to net cash of \$108 million at 30 September 2015.
- New work² improved significantly, increasing by \$4.34 billion during 3Q15, to \$11.34 billion for the nine months to 30 September 2015. Total work in hand was \$28.8 billion as at 30 September 2015. In addition, CIMIC is participating in tenders of approximately \$10 billion³, which are expected to be awarded in the remainder of 2015.
- CIMIC confirms 2015 guidance of NPAT in the range of \$450 million to \$520 million, subject to market conditions.

CIMIC Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Mr Marcelino Fernández Verdes said: "CIMIC Group's net profit continued to show an improving trend during the third quarter of 2015 reflecting the on-going transformation of the Group.

"We are delivering a steady and sustainable increase in our margins and continuing our focus on cash collection, reducing net debt and improving our working capital position."

In construction, CIMIC was selected during the quarter as the preferred contractor for Sydney's \$5 billion new M5 Motorway in a joint venture, and was awarded contracts for level crossing removals in Victoria, and the design and construction of improvements on State Highway 1 in New Zealand. CIMIC has tendered on, or is shortlisted to tender for, many major domestic and overseas construction projects including, Dandenong level crossing removals in Victoria, and Forrestfield-Airport Link in Western Australia.

¹ Performance is to comparable nine months period to September 2014 which includes 50% of Leighton Services in continuing operations.

² Includes new contracts and contract extensions and variations including the impact of foreign exchange rate movements.

³ CIMIC's share.

In mining, CIMIC continued to diversify during the quarter, winning a nickel mining project for BHP Billiton in Western Australia. In addition, CIMIC launched an international mining equipment business, FleetCo, offering one of Australia's most diverse ranges of mining hire equipment.

In public private partnerships (PPPs), CIMIC is positioned to capitalize on the pipeline of domestic and overseas infrastructure projects including Capital Metro in the ACT and Puhoi to Warkworth project in New Zealand.

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CIMIC Group Limited (ASX: CIM), founded in Australia in 1949, is one of the world's leading international contractors and the world's largest contract miner. CIMIC, previously known as Leighton Holdings, was listed on the Australian Stock Exchange in 1962 and has its head office in Sydney, Australia. CIMIC provides construction, mining, engineering, concessions, and operation and maintenance services to the infrastructure, resources and property markets. It operates in approximately 20 countries throughout the Asia Pacific, the Middle East, Sub-Saharan Africa and South America and employed approximately 23,000 people as at 30 September 2015.

APPENDIX 1

KEY PERFORMANCE FEATURES FOR THE 9 MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER

Unaudited	9 months to 30 September 2015 \$m	9 months to 30 September 2014 ⁴ \$m	Percentage change %	Comparable 9 months to 30 September 2014 ⁵ \$m	Comparable Percentage change %
Revenue from continuing operations⁶	10,450.2	12,395.9	(15.7%)	12,395.9	(15.7%)
EBIT from continuing operations⁷	650.0	506.9	28.2%	571.5	13.7%
<i>EBIT margin (EBIT to Revenue from continuing operations)</i>	6.2%	4.1%		4.6%	
Net finance costs ⁸	(105.2)	(93.4)	12.6%	(93.4)	12.6%
Profit before tax	544.8	413.5	31.8%	478.1	14.0%
Income tax expense	(151.9)	(164.2)	(7.5%)	(164.2)	(7.5%)
NPAT from continuing operations⁹	392.9	249.3	57.6%	313.9	25.2%
<i>Net margin (NPAT to Revenue from continuing operations)</i>	3.8%	2.0%		2.5%	
NPAT from discontinued operations	-	180.7	-	116.1	-
Profit attributable to non-controlling interests	(2.4)	0.2	-	0.2	-
NPAT	390.5	430.2	(9.2%)	430.2	(9.2%)

⁴ Nine months to September 2014 excludes John Holland and 100% of Leighton Services from continuing operations.

⁵ Nine months to September 2014 includes 50% of Leighton Services in continuing operations.

⁶ Excludes revenue from joint ventures and associates.

⁷ Earnings before interest and tax from continuing operations exclude net finance costs.

⁸ Net finance costs include interest income net of finance costs.

⁹ Net profit after tax from continuing operations.

APPENDIX 2

KEY FEATURES OF THE BALANCE SHEET AND GEARING

Unaudited	As at 30 September 2015	As at 30 June 2015	As at 31 March 2015	As at 31 December 2014
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Net cash/(debt) ^{10,11}	107.8	(214.9)	(517.4)	20.0
Equity	4,066.3	3,869.4	3,758.3	3,781.6
Gearing ¹²	Below zero	5.3%	12.1%	Below zero
Net contract debtors ¹³	2,117.9	1,894.3	2,230.3	1,965.1

KEY FEATURES OF THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT

Unaudited	9 months to 30 September 2015	9 months to 30 September 2014	Percentage change
	\$m	\$m	%
Operating cash flow ¹⁴	1,350.0	503.7	168.0%
Net capital expenditure	(161.5)	(492.1)	(67.2%)

¹⁰ Proforma 1Q15 net debt includes cash due from divestment of John Holland as received; cash from divestment of Leighton Services was received in the period. Proforma 4Q14 net debt included cash due from divestment of both John Holland and Leighton Services as received.

¹¹ Net cash/ (debt) plus operating leases.

¹² Gearing is expressed as the ratio of net debt and operating leases to net debt, operating leases and shareholders' equity.

¹³ Net contract debtors increased due to approximately \$270 million in foreign exchange effect and overclaims.

¹⁴ Cash flow from operating activities is before dividends, interest, finance costs and tax.