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Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., Ltd. (TSE: 5713) and its subsidiary, Hyuga Smelting Co., Ltd., have
decided to introduce and to invest in a new production facility at Hyuga Smelting to produce
nickel matte from ferronickel and other sources. The construction of the facility will begin in
2025 and is scheduled to be completed in the fiscal year ending March 2028 (FY2027).

Hyuga Smelting currently produces ferronickel, which is mainly supplied to stainless steel
manufacturers. After the completion of this investment, Hyuga Smelting will produce both nickel
matte, mainly made from the company’s ferronickel, and ferronickel.

Sumitomo Metal Mining imports raw materials, such as nickel matte and nickel-cobalt mixed
sulfide, to produce electrolytic nickel and battery materials. After the completion of this
investment, Sumitomo Metal Mining will be able to procure nickel matte, which will be
produced at Hyuga Smelting, as a new raw material.

Sumitomo Metal Mining has set a target of "annual nickel production of 150,000 tonnes" as one
of its strategies for the long-term vision, and will c04f(t(din)-uur)-3(e)3( )[(to)-4( )4(s)4
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The current nickel supply chain of Sumitomo Metal Mining
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1. Overview of Hyuga Smelting
Company name Hyuga Smelting Co., Ltd.
Location 5 Senbacho, Hyuga City, Miyazaki Prefecture, Japan
Established 1956 *Hyuga Smelting has introduced and utilizes the non-fossil-certificated electricity, from Kyushu
Electric Power Co., Inc., that contributes the CO₂ emissions driven by its use substantially