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Item 1. Reporting Issuer

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Item 2. Date of Material Change

January 20, 2009

Item 3. Press Release

January 12, 2009, Vancouver, B.C.

Item 4. Summary of Material Change

Progress report on exploration of the Issuer's Sabodala Property.

Item 5. Full Description of Material Change

See attached news release.

Item 6. Reliance on Section 85(2) of the Act

Not applicable

Item 7. Omitted Information

There are no other proposed material changes in the affairs of the Issuer which have not been disclosed in this form.

Item 8. Senior Officers

Enquiries may be directed to J.G. Stewart, the Issuer's Secretary at 604-331-8772

Item 9. Statement of Senior Officer

The foregoing accurately discloses the material change referred to here.

Dated at Vancouver, B.C. this 20th day of January, 2009.

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2008 DRILL PROGRAM IDENTIFIES ADDITIONAL GOLD DEPOSITS AT SABODALA
- CURRENTLY SIX DEPOSITS DISCOVERED BY OROMIN -

2009 PREFEASIBILITY AND ADVANCED EXPLORATION DRILLING PROGRAM NOW UNDERWAY

HIGHLIGHTS

- **THREE NEWLY DISCOVERED GOLD DEPOSITS (KEREKOUNDA, NIAKAFIRI, MAKI MEDINA) COMPLIMENT THREE PREVIOUS OROMIN GOLD DEPOSIT DISCOVERIES (MASATO, GOLOUMA WEST, GOLOUMA SOUTH)**
- **RESOURCE UPDATE FOR ALL DRILLING TO END OF 2008 TO BE COMPLETED IN JANUARY 2009, INCLUDING 375 DRILL HOLES COMPLETED SINCE INITIAL RESOURCE CALCULATIONS**
- **PRE-FEASIBILITY STUDY BEGINS IN JANUARY 2009**
- **LATEST DRILLING RESULTS INCLUDE:**
  - **25 metres of 8.86 g/t gold in DH-312 at Masato**
  - **14 metres of 4.53 g/t gold in RC-432 at Masato**
  - **5 metres of 15.01 g/t gold and 9 metres of 5.26 g/t gold in DH-316 at Golouma South**
  - **18 metres of 3.41 g/t gold in DH-371 at Golouma West**
  - **9 metres of 15.51 g/t gold in DH-376 at Kerekounda**
  - **6 metres of 35.41 g/t gold in DH-390 at Kerekounda**
  - **4 metres of 5.24 g/t gold and 24 metres of 1.40 g/t gold in DH-369 at Niakafiri**
  - **7 metres of 6.09 g/t gold and 55 metres of 1.52 g/t gold in RC-494 at Niakafiri**
  - **13 metres of 2.51 g/t gold in DH-394 at Maki Medina**
  - **3 metres of 6.50 g/t gold and 11 metres of 2.30 g/t gold in DH-395 at Maki Medina**

Oromin Explorations Ltd. ("Oromin"), on behalf of the Oromin Joint Venture Group ("OJVG"), is pleased to announce additional results from the ongoing step-out and in-fill drilling program at its Sabodala Exploration Concession in eastern Senegal. Oromin's 2008 drilling program has focussed on resource definition and delineation at several of its numerous gold zones and gold deposits, including the Masato, Golouma West and Golouma South gold deposits from which the Project's initial NI 43-101 resource calculation was calculated, based on drilling results from 555 drill holes completed to the end of May 2008. Subsequent to that initial calculation, 375 additional drill holes have now been completed.

Oromin is planning an update to its Sabodala Project resource to include all drilling results to the end of December 2008 which should be completed by late January 2009. In addition to further drilling at all three previously established gold deposits, (Masato, Golouma West and Golouma South), Oromin has most recently focused drilling programs at Maki Medina, Kerekounda and Niakafiri Southeast. Based both on prior results and on current results reported here, each of these three targets has now been upgraded to deposit status; accordingly, their initial resources will now be included in the Project's overall total. Furthermore, preliminary drilling has also been undertaken at the Sekoto, Cloverleaf and Korolo gold zones, presently the next tier of priority targets leading into 2009. Results from the property-wide exploration program continue to support Oromin's original conceptual model of multiple gold deposits within the Sabodala Exploration Concession as a key component in the rapidly developing mineral district of eastern Senegal.

MASATO DEPOSIT

The greatest distribution of drilling since Oromin's initial resource calculation has been directed at the Masato Deposit (initial inferred resource estimate of 16.6 million tonnes grading 1.25 g/t gold for 670,000 ounces of contained gold). Drilling since the resource estimate has focused on both in-fill and extensive step-out drilling along trend as well as both up-dip and down-dip of previous drilling. The Masato Deposit; multiple, sub-parallel mineralized horizons within a broad alteration zone, has been successfully drilled for over 2.0 kilometres of strike extent and to depths exceeding 200 metres and remains open both laterally and vertically.

Significant recently received results are shown in the following table:

Drill Hole	Grid Co-ordinate	Azimuth/ Dip	From – To (m)	Interval (m)	Gold (g/t)
DH-306	58993N/4517E	110/-65	80-98	18	1.35
			incl.94-98	4	2.90
DH-310	59616N/4588E	110/-50	12-17	5	1.95
			22-27	5	4.21
			incl.23-24	1	15.98
			33-53	20	1.69
			incl.37-42	5	4.15
			64-69	5	2.36
DH-311	59785N/4722E	110/-50	26-44	18	1.38
			incl.35-43	8	2.57
DH-312	59659N/4447E	110/-80	180-205	25	8.86
			incl.183-195	12	17.26
			incl.189-190	1	124.5
DH-315	59669N/4671E	110/-50	0-29	29	1.20
			incl.25-28	3	3.16
DH-317	59745N/4460E	110/-77	189-199	10	1.35
			iIncl.192-197	5	2.38
			247-248	1	78.81
DH-334	59279N/4523E	110/-55	0-5	5	5.00
			56-86	30	1.67
			incl.64-73	9	3.95
DH-335	59786N/4498E	110/-60	114-123	9	5.70
			incl.118-119	1	18.38
DH-340	59790N/4491E	110/-70	196-219	23	1.96
			incl.205-218	13	3.02
DH-341	59791N/4490E	110/-80	51-62	11	2.88
			incl.59-62	3	5.48
DH-383	59100N/4570E	110/-50	0-14	14	1.80
			incl.6-14	8	2.55

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Drill Hole	Grid Co-ordinate	Azimuth/ Dip	From – To (m)	Interval (m)	Gold (g/t)
RC-395	59507N/4582E	110/-50	0-16	16	2.19
			incl.5-12	7	3.20
			29-46	17	2.44
			incl.34-39	5	6.44
RC-424	59577N/4568E	110/-70	141-154	13	2.50
			incl.143-147	4	6.07
RC-426	59575N/4568E	110/-50	0-14	14	3.13
			incl.9-12	3	8.38
			24-49	25	1.08
			incl.24-29	5	1.90
RC-428	59487N/4469E	110/-50	76-81	5	1.62
			114-135	21	2.10
			incl.125-134	9	3.97
			155-172	17	1.35
RC-429	59410N/4454E	110/-75	137-164	27	1.64
			incl.144-148	4	3.05
RC-430	59289N/4496E	110/-65	29-38	9	2.71
			49-53	4	2.56
			102-115	13	1.99
			incl.112-115	3	5.89
			121-129	8	3.49
			incl.121-125	4	6.50
RC-432	59200N/4545E	110/-50	17-22	5	2.00
			72-86	14	4.53
			incl.77-83	6	8.45
RC-467	60301N/4818E	115/-50	86-114	28	1.38
			incl.96-107	11	2.97
RC-469	59285N/4584E	110/-60	0-22	22	2.78
			incl.0-5	5	7.30
RC-507	59015N/4570E	110/-65	27-35	8	1.40
			39-56	17	1.84
			incl.39-45	6	3.12

Mineralized intervals are based on 1-metre composite samples utilizing a 0.5 g/t gold cut-off level with a maximum internal dilution of 2 metres. No cutting of gold assays has been employed for reported intervals. The attitude of mineralized intervals varies and reported mineralized intersections may not represent true widths.

GOLOUMA SOUTH DEPOSIT

A small number of new drill holes were recently completed at the Golouma South Deposit (initial inferred resource estimate of 1.8 million tonnes grading 3.61 g/t gold for 210,000 contained ounces of gold) and have successfully intersected mineralization at depth beyond previous drilling. Results include:

Drill Hole	Grid Co-ordinate	Azimuth/ Dip	From – To (m)	Interval (m)	Gold (g/t)
DH-316	53116N/5033E	110/-70	199-204	5	15.01
			incl.202-203	1	46.30
			211-220	9	5.26
			incl.216-219	3	9.60
DH-324	53138N/5045E	110/-60	170-174	4	3.56
			231-233	2	85.10
DH-330	53138N/5045E	110/-75	190-199	10	2.84
			incl.194-199	5	3.69

Mineralized intervals are based on 1-metre composite samples utilizing a 0.5 g/t gold cut-off level with a maximum internal dilution of 2 metres. No cutting of gold assays has been employed for reported intervals. The attitude of mineralized intervals varies and reported mineralized intersections may not represent true widths.

GOLOUMA WEST DEPOSIT

One recent hole of significance has been completed at the Golouma West Deposit (initial inferred resource estimate of 6.7 million tonnes grading 2.38 g/t gold for 520,000 contained ounces of gold), testing for the down-dip, down-plunge extension to mineralization associated with the West Limb of the Golouma West Deposit. This drill hole, DH-371, returned an 18-metre interval grading 3.41 g/t gold from a downhole depth of 369 metres. Within this wide interval, a 7-metre portion graded 5.83 g/t gold. Considerable expansion potential remains to be tested here where the potential for underground mining beneath the planned Golouma West open pit will be evaluated.

KEREKOUNDA DEPOSIT

Results received to-date at Kerekounda have delineated a continuous shear-hosted vein system over a minimum strike extent of nearly 250 metres and to a minimum down-dip extent of approximately 200 metres. Previously announced results included 52.61 g/t gold over 9 metres in DH-360, 48.68 g/t gold over 4 metres in DH-367 and 25.34 g/t gold over 7 metres in RC-463.

The following table outlines the significant drilling results recently received from Kerekounda:

Drill Hole	Grid Co-ordinate	Azimuth/ Dip	From – To (m)	Interval (m)	Gold (g/t)
DH-376	54601N/5520E	060/-45	46-55	9	15.51
DH-378	54601N/5520E	060/-65	35-42	7	12.87
DH-390	54583N/5439E	060/-60	139-145	6	35.41
			iIncl.140-141	1	52.23
			and 143-144	1	157.4
RC-484	54687N/5349E	060/-65	164-176	12	4.45
			incl.168-169	1	15.98
			and 175-176	1	25.96

Mineralized intervals are based on 1-metre composite samples utilizing a 0.5 g/t gold cut-off level with a maximum internal dilution of 2 metres. No cutting of gold assays has been employed for reported intervals. The attitude of mineralized intervals varies and reported mineralized intersections may not represent true widths.

Oromin management is encouraged by this early-stage drilling success at Kerekounda. Based on the present geometry, continuity of the mineralized intersections and the high-grade nature of the results received to-date, Oromin considers this as an early-stage underground mining opportunity that will enhance and compliment the previously announced preliminary resources at their Masato, Golouma West and Golouma South gold deposits. The Kerekounda discovery is located 1.5 kilometres north of the Golouma South deposit.

NIAKAFIRI DEPOSIT

Oromin's Niakafiri Deposit is a direct extension of neighbouring Mineral Deposits Limited's Niakafiri Deposit which has been reported to contain approximately 540,000 ounces of gold. Oromin's portion of this gold deposit has been partially tested by grid-based drilling along a 500-

metre strike extent to-date. Oromin believes that the Niakafiri Deposit lies within an approximate 8 kilometre structural trend that crosses both Oromin's and MDL's land holdings, with Oromin's Masato Deposit representing the northern portion and the Niakafiri Deposit representing the southern portion. Drilling results received to-date suggest gold mineralization at Niakafiri is very similar to that observed at the Masato Deposit: multiple, sub-parallel strike and depth, and extensive, mineralized horizons within a broad structurally controlled alteration zone.

Significant results received to-date at Niakafiri are shown in the following table:

Drill Hole	Grid Co-ordinate	Azimuth/ Dip	From – To (m)	Interval (m)	Gold (g/t)
DH-359	55857N/3217E	105/-50	48-59	11	1.46
			incl.57-59	2	3.96
DH-369	55747N/3146E	105/-50	81-85	4	5.24
			106-130	24	1.40
			incl.112-118	6	2.79
DH-374	55699N/3174E	105/-50	2-15	13	1.74
			incl.10-14	4	4.29
			20-26	6	2.02
			42-45	3	2.01
DH-377	55807N/3110E	105/-50	154-162	8	2.07
DH-381	55674N/3120E	105/-50	80-85	5	1.80
DH-388	55876N/3143E	105/-50	169-177	8	1.79
			incl.170-171	1	8.06
DH-408	55516N/3115E	105/-50	105-114	9	1.92
			incl.105-107	2	3.64
RC-399	55777N/3194E	105/-50	16-45	29	1.15
			incl.17-22	5	2.44
			30-34	4	2.27
RC-471	55785N/3158E	105/-50	5-19	14	1.29
			incl.6-10	4	2.63
			118-136	18	1.68
			incl.118-125	7	3.43
RC-473	55845N/3255E	105/-50	2-39	37	2.28
			incl.17-25	8	6.37
RC-474	55758N/3108E	105/-50	160-182	22	1.28
			incl.169-181	12	1.70
			incl.176-181	5	2.33
RC-476	55711N/3136E	105/-50	119-129	10	1.36
			incl.124-128	4	2.34
RC-488	55621N/3159E	105/-50	68-77	9	2.05
RC-490	55765N/3154E	105/-50	7-35	28	1.39
			incl.20-23	3	2.96
			106-118	12	1.26
			incl.117-118	1	7.54
			207-215	8	2.67
RC-494	55594N/3125E	105/-50	32-39	7	6.09
			171-176	5	1.44
			189-197	8	1.35
			210-265+	55+	1.52
			incl.256-265+	9+	3.84

Mineralized intervals are based on 1-metre composite samples utilizing a 0.5 g/t gold cut-off level with a maximum internal dilution of 2 metres. The attitude of mineralized intervals varies and reported mineralized intersections may not represent true widths.

MAKI MEDINA DEPOSIT

The Maki Medina Deposit is coincident with a gold-in-soil geochemical anomaly covering approximately 1.2 kilometres in strike extent of which the central 900 metres has been partially tested by wide spaced initial drilling. Maki Medina is located 2.0 kilometres south westerly from the Niakafiri Deposit and may represent a southward extension of the same regional structural control hosting Oromin's Masato and Niakafiri Deposits.

Significant results from recent wide-spaced drilling at Maki Medina are shown in the following table:

Drill Hole	Grid Co-ordinate	Azimuth/ Dip	From – To (m)	Interval (m)	Gold (g/t)
DH-394	53717N/1985E	110/-50	105-118	13	2.51
			incl.106-112	6	3.92
DH-395	53727N/1956E	110/-50	52-55	3	6.50
			136-147	11	2.30
			incl.139-142	3	3.87
DH-402	54025N/2050E	110/-50	53-61	8	1.65
			incl.56-58	2	4.37
RC-437	53323N/1846E	110/-50	16-25	9	1.23
			incl.16-18	2	2.87
RC-443	53850N/2071E	110/-50	33-43	10	1.85
			incl.38-42	4	3.16
RC-444	53778N/2047E	110/-50	44-56	12	1.35
			incl.46-51	5	2.24
RC-446	53907N/2040E	110/-50	72-77	5	1.49
RC-448	54064N/2061E	110/-50	19-22	3	1.49
			44-55	11	1.46
RC-449	54139N/2088E	110/-50	59-64	5	1.75
RC-452	53529N/1918E	110/-50	147-154	7	1.68

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Oromin's geological and sub-contracted drilling crews have initiated remobilization to Sabodala to begin the 2009 advanced exploration program and Prefeasibility Study.

Doug Turnbull, P. Geo., a "qualified person" for the purposes of National Instrument 43-101, has verified the data disclosed in this news release. William Bond, P. Geo., also a "qualified person" for the purposes of National Instrument 43-101, has supervised geologic field procedures. TSL Laboratories in Saskatoon carried out all assaying under industry-standard QA/QC procedures.

To find out more about **Oromin Explorations Ltd.**, visit www.oromin.com. Please refer to the maps which set out the Sabodala deposits and zones under "investor info/articles and reports" on the website, and our previous news releases, for additional project information.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of
OROMIN EXPLORATIONS LTD.

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