

Update on Moroccan Portfolio

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Chariot Oil & Gas Limited (AIM: CHAR), the Atlantic margins focused oil and gas exploration company, today provides an update on its Rabat Deep, Loukos and Mohammedia permits, offshore Morocco.

Rabat Deep (Chariot (50% Operator), Woodside (25%), the Office National des Hydrocarbures et des Mines ("ONHYM") (25% carried)):

- Woodside has not exercised its option to take operatorship and fund well costs for a further 25% equity stake; it will remain a partner on the licence with a 25% working interest
- Drilling is now anticipated to be in 2016/2017, subject to securing an additional partner

Loukos and Mohammedia (Chariot (75% Operator), ONHYM (25% carried)):

- Material potential oil prospects identified in both the proven Jurassic and Neogene plays
- Dataroom to open following completion of 3D interpretation

Rabat Deep

Chariot announces that its partner in the Rabat Deep Offshore permit, Woodside, has not elected to take operatorship and fund the drilling of an exploration well in return for an additional 25% equity stake. As a result, Chariot will remain operator with a 50% equity interest, with Woodside retaining a 25% equity interest and ONHYM a 25% carried interest.

As part of its two-tier partnering process, Chariot is currently at near zero cost in its Moroccan acreage and will seek an additional partner to participate in drilling on the Rabat Deep permits. As previously announced JP-1 is the focus prospect and contains 618mmmbbls of gross mean prospective resources as estimated by Netherland Sewell and Associates on the 2D seismic data. This prospect remains technically robust on the 3D seismic and a Competent Person Report will be undertaken following the interpretation of the recently received pre-stack depth migrated data. Whilst market conditions are challenging, the large scale of the prospects in Chariot's portfolio means that drilling success would create transformational value even at current oil prices. A dataroom for Rabat Deep will open in due course and, subject to securing a partner, drilling of this prospect is now anticipated to occur in late 2016/2017.

Loukos and Mohammedia

The interpretation of the pre-stack time migrated 3D data acquired in the 2014 seismic campaign has also generated several material prospects within the Loukos and Mohammedia licences, including the JP-2 prospect in the Jurassic play. Recent work has also identified further oil-prone prospectivity within the Neogene. In line with Chariot's focus on risk management, partners will be sought for these licences to either participate in the drilling of the prospects already located, or to further the 3D seismic campaign across the permits. A dataroom will be opened once the Chariot team is satisfied that it has a full description of the prospectivity within the licences to maximise the understanding of the value proposition for potential fainees.

An independent audit of the prospective resources associated with the 1,700km² 3D seismic campaign on these permits will also be carried out once Chariot has completed its internal evaluation of the pre-stack depth migrated data.

Larry Bottomley, Chief Executive of Chariot, said:

"It is disappointing that Woodside has not exercised its option, but we remain optimistic regarding the potential of the Rabat Deep permits and particularly that offered by the JP-1 prospect.

"These are challenging times for oil and gas companies and investment decisions are being affected as a result. As mentioned previously, partnering is tougher, but we also believe that this climate can be an opportunity for those who are looking to take advantage of high potential assets, such as those within our portfolio. Whilst the nature of the market is cyclical, the prospectivity that we see within our licences remains transformational and Chariot's strong cash position will enable us to take advantage of opportunities to further enhance our asset base.

"We look forward to continuing to work with Woodside and ONHYM on the development of the Rabat Deep permits."

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About Chariot

Chariot Oil & Gas Limited is an independent oil and gas exploration group. It holds licences covering four blocks in Namibia, one block in Mauritania, three blocks in Morocco and four licences in the Barreirinhas Basin offshore Brazil. All of these blocks are currently in the exploration phase.

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