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DekelOil Public Limited ('DekelOil' or 'the Company')

**Commencement of Operations at Second Nursery Site** 

DekelOil Public Limited, the West African focused agricultural company, is pleased to announce the

commencement of operations at a second nursery site in Cote d'Ivoire. The establishment of the

nursery at Dabou, which is located close to DekelOil's second palm oil project at Guitry, is in line with

the Company's strategy to build a multi-project, multi-commodity agriculture business which places

 $small holders \ at \ the \ heart \ of \ its \ operations. \ Dabou \ will \ enable \ DekelOil \ to \ build \ relationships \ with \ local$ 

farmers and cooperatives, test market nursery sales in the Guitry area, and support the ongoing

evaluation of new, high value opportunities in the agriculture sector.

Operations at the Dabou oil palm plant nursery have commenced and will facilitate immediate

operations in the Guitry area while the Company completes the next phase of Environmental, Social

and Health Impact Assessment ("ESHIA") work at the 24,000ha Guitry development site in

collaboration with AgDevco Limited.

The nursery site at Dabou is currently being leased by DekelOil for two years with nil rent. The site is

20ha in size and includes six greenhouses covering 18,660sqm in addition to a 500sqm tunnel

greenhouse used as a pre-nursery. Operations have commenced with a pilot nursery of 10,000 plants

including 5,000 oil palm seedlings already planted. The existing infrastructure, with minor investment,

is expected to be capable of supporting up to 600,000 plants per year over two cycles. The Company

has also entered into an arrangement whereby it has been granted first right of refusal, subject to

agreeing terms, to utilise the greenhouses and related infrastructure.

DekelOil Executive Director Lincoln Moore said: "The nursery at Dabou promises to not only

support the development of our second palm oil project at Guitry, it also has the potential to fast track

our entry into new, high value areas of the agriculture sector. Whilst we are at an early stage of

reviewing options, having first right of refusal over 18,660sqm of existing greenhouse infrastructure

will enable us to move quickly should we elect to pursue one or more opportunities. Our stated

objective is to build a diverse portfolio of agriculture projects and associated revenue streams. We

have one producing palm oil project and a large cashew project which is due to be operational in

2020. With major backers such as AgDevCo, and now the nursery site at Dabou, we are well placed to

add to our pipeline of new projects."

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## **Notes:**

DekelOil Public Limited is a multi-project, multi-commodity agricultural company focused on West Africa. It has a portfolio of projects in Côte d'Ivoire at various stages of development: a fully operational palm oil project in Ayenouan where fruit produced by local smallholders is processed at the Company's 70,000tpa crude palm oil mill; a cashew processing project in Tiebissou, which is due to commence production in 2020; and a second palm oil project in Guitry which is under development.

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