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**NEWS RELEASE**

**Bonaparte Announces Hooch Property Acquisition**

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**VANCOUVER, BC, July 26, 2011 – Bonaparte Resources Inc. (TSX-V: BON)** ("Bonaparte" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that it has entered into a mineral property option agreement dated July 26, 2011 with Strategic Metals Ltd. (TSX-V: SMD) ("Strategic"), whereby Bonaparte can acquire up to 100% interest in and to 12 contiguous mineral claims (the "Hooch Property") located in the Whitehorse Mining District, Yukon Territory, Canada.

The Hooch Property is 14 km east of the Aishihik Lake road, at a point 20 km north of its junction with the Alaska Highway and covers an area of approximately 243 hectares.

The Hooch Property covers the Moraine Showing, a copper, gold, silver, and tungsten skarn occurrence. The property has received intermittent exploration over the last 50 years. Geophysical surveys have produced anomalous results from known skarn horizons and identified other promising targets nearby.

Pursuant to the terms of the option agreement, Bonaparte may acquire up to 100% interest in the Hooch Property subject to a 2% NSR royalty, by making cash payments and incurring exploration expenditures in two steps as follows:

1. By paying Strategic an aggregate amount of \$100,000 and incurring expenditures of not less than an aggregate of \$200,000 by December 31, 2013 at which time Bonaparte will become a 50% joint venture owner in the Hooch Property.
2. By paying Strategic an aggregate amount of \$875,000 and incurring expenditures of not less than an aggregate of \$1,100,000 by December 31, 2015 at which time Bonaparte shall have acquired a 100% interest in the Hooch Property.

The Company has retained Archer, Cathro & Associates (1981) Limited of Vancouver, BC to carry out exploration work on the Hooch Property consisting of mapping, soil sampling and testing during August 2011.

**ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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