A map of philippines with orange dots

Description automatically generated**BOTILAO COPPER-GOLD PROSPECT**

The Botilao Porphyry Copper-Gold Prospect is held by Makilala Mining Company, Inc., Celsius’ Resources’ Philippine subsidiary, which is located in the Cordillera Administrative Region, approximately 320km north of Manila. It is a prospect within the Makilala portfolio with a tenement area of 947.67 hectares, southwest of the MCB Project.

Historical exploration work conducted by Lepanto Consolidated Mining Inc. in the ‘70s includes drilling diamond bore holes and geochemical sampling along exploratory tunnels. A 1973 inspection and verification report by the Bureau of Mines[[1]](#footnote-1) indicated that Lepanto was able to delineate two (2) major ore zones striking northeast. Drilling and exploration tunnel works were concentrated around Botilao Creek, south of Pasil River. The report indicated tunnel samples with copper grades up to ~1%.

*Location map of the Botilao Prospect in Northern Luzon, Philippines*

The result of historical exploration works and the current understanding of the MCB Deposit will provide the initial working model for the Botilao Prospect.

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*Location of the Botilao Tenement with respect to the MCB Tenement.*



1. Almogela, D. H. (1973) Report on the Inspection and Verification of the Exploration Activities of Lepanto Consolidated Mining Company, Bureau of Mines, 16-18 March 1973. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)