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Attention: Company Announcements Officer

Dear Sir/Madam

**Re: Oil Search Limited
Drilling Report - Nabrajah-1 - 25 March 2004**

Please find attached.

Yours sincerely

MICHAEL SULLIVAN
General Counsel/Group Secretary

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DRILLING REPORT – 25 March 2004

WELL NAME: Nabrajah-1 (Block 43, Yemen)

Oil Search reports that as at 0600 hrs Yemen time (+4 hrs GMT) on 24 March 2004, the Nabrajah-1 well in Block 43, Republic of Yemen, was preparing to commence the third test, DST#3, over the Qishn S2 Sandstone.

During the week, DST#1 conducted over the Basement interval 2,111 – 2,202 metres MD, failed to flow due to mechanical problems with the testing equipment.

DST#2 was conducted over a possible oil-water transition zone in the lowest part of the Qishn S2 Sandstone between 1,784.5 – 1,789.5 metres MD and flowed an average of 544 barrels per day of 24 degree API oil, 7,074 barrels per day of water and 0.23 MMscfd gas during a 9 hour flow period.

DST#3 will be conducted over the upper part of the Qishn S2 Sandstone which electric logs indicate to be hydrocarbon bearing. The test interval will be between 1,769 – 1,781.5 metres MD.

The Nabrajah-1 well is located in the central sector of Block 43 and is testing the hydrocarbon potential of the Qishn Sandstone and deeper reservoir objectives including the Basement.

The Nabrajah-1 well is the second of two farm-in wells that Oil Search is participating in to earn a 25% working interest (29.42% paying interest) in Block 43.

The participants in this well are:

DNO ASA	50%, operator
Oil Search (Yemen) Limited	25%
First Calgary Petroleums Limited	10%
The Yemen Company	15%, carried
Total	100%

PETER BOTTEN
Managing Director
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