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NEWS RELEASE

AFRICA OIL RECEIVES KENYAN GOVERNMENT APPROVAL OF MAERSK OIL FARM IN

January 11, 2016 (AOI-TSX, AOI-Nasdaq Stockholm) ... Africa Oil Corp. ("Africa Oil" or the "Company") is pleased to report that the previously announced (November 9, 2015) farmout with Maersk Olie og Gas A/S ("Maersk") has received approval from the Government of Kenya. Accordingly, completion of the farmout of Blocks 10BB, 13T and 10BA may proceed.

At completion of the Maersk farmout, the new respective interests in each of Africa Oil's blocks will be:

Kenya Block 10BB Kenya Block 13T Kenya Block 10BA Ethiopia Rift Basin Ethiopia South Omo Kenya Block 12A Kenya Block 9 *-denotes Operator

Africa Oil -25%Africa Oil -25%Africa Oil $-25\%^*$ Africa Oil -15%Africa Oil -20%Africa Oil -20%

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Maersk – 25%

Tullow – 50%* Tullow – 50%* Marathon – 50% Tullow - 50%* Mara Marathon - 15%

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Keith Hill, Africa Oil's President and CEO, commented, "We are very pleased to have received approval from the Government of Kenya. We feel Maersk will be an excellent partner in terms of technical and financial strength and experience critical to moving the development project forward. This transaction puts Africa Oil in the enviable position of not requiring any additional equity financing prior to first oil and will allow us to weather the current difficult oil price environment should it continue into 2016."

About Africa Oil Corp.

Africa Oil Corp. is a Canadian oil and gas company with assets in Kenya and Ethiopia. The Company is listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange and on Nasdaq Stockholm under the symbol "AOI".

Additional Information

The information in this release is subject to the disclosure requirements of Africa Oil Corp. under the Swedish Securities Market Act and/or the Swedish Financial Instruments Trading Act. This information was publicly communicated on January 11, 2015 at 2:00 a.m. Eastern Time.

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ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

"Keith C. Hill" President and CEO

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