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EL 5325 - MOOLMONGA NORTH
PINE CREEK DISTRICT, NORTHERN TERRITORY

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#### 1. SUPPLARY

This report covers the 1989 exploration activites completed by Dominion Mining Ltd on EL 5325 known as Woolwonga North.

The exploration licence covers ground north of Dominion's Woolwonga prospect. No previous investigation was conducted by Territory Resources NL prior to the transfer of tenement in November 1988.

During 1989 Dominion completed a program of surface mapping, scree sampling and rotary air blast (RAB) drilling.

The surface mapping outlined two zones of residual soil/outcrop through the property. Scree sampling of one zone detected one anomalous value of 1.18 ppm Au which was tested by a minor RAB drill program totalling 494m.

No anomalous values were detected by the RAB drilling and no further drilling was conducted.

Three mineral claims were pegged west of the Margaret River prior to the expiry date of 4 October 1989. These cover ground contiguous from the Woolwonga Mine Development Zone.

#### 2. INTRODUCTION

Exploration licence 5325, consisting of 240 hectares in the Ban Ban Springs locality, was granted on 5 October 1987.

Title was granted to Territory Resources NL whose exploration program was directed at evaluating the alluvial gold potential of the tenement. The discovery of the hard rock gold prospect at Woolwonga to the south, greatly enhanced the potential of the licence.

Financial difficulties during 1988 forced Territory Resources into receivership and Dominion purchased the exploration licence under tender.

#### 3. LOCATION AND TENURE

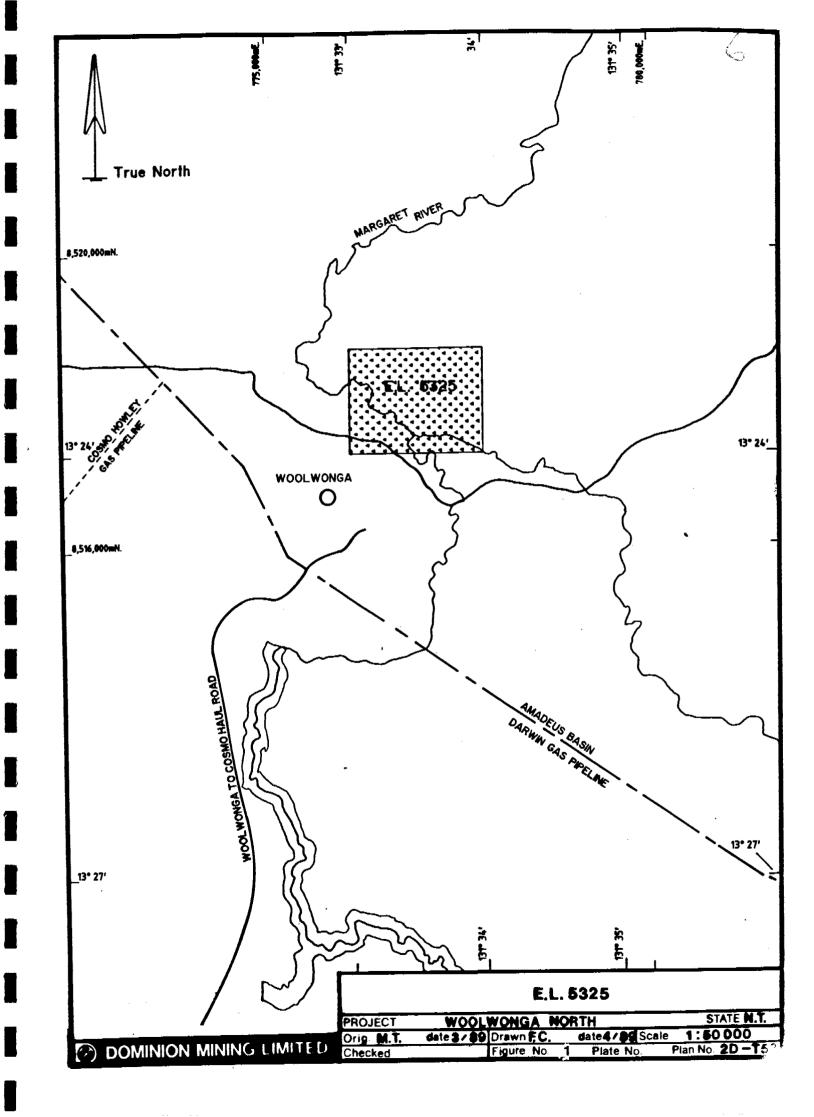
Exploration licence 5325 was located approximately 130km southeast of Darwin and 25km northeast of Hayes Creek on the McKinlay River 1:100 000 Sheet 5271 (See Figure 1).

Access from Darwin is via the Stuart Highway for 160km to the Grove Hill/Fountainhead turn-off. A sealed road leads to the old Fountainhead siding on the aboandoned North Australia railway and a formed gravel road continues to Ban Ban Homestead. Station tracks give access to the property.

The exploration licence (240 hectares) was granted to Territory Resources NL on the 5th October 1987 for a two year period.

Dominion Gold Operations Pty Ltd purchased the exploration licence from Territory Resources on 15th November 1988.

Three mineral claim applications (MCN (A) 3705-707) were pegged before the expiry date of 4 October 1989.



#### 4. GEOLOGY

#### 4.1 Regional Geology

The geology of the Pine Creek Basin has been well documented by the BMR, eg Wallace et al (1985), Needham et al (1980).

The Lower Proterozoic sequence was deposited by alternating shallow marine and continental environments in an intracratonic basin setting. Following intrusion by conformable dolerite sills, a major period of deformation and regional metamorphism related to granitic intrusion caused a series of tight, upright folds. Early Proterozoic stratigraphy of the Pine Creek/Adelaide River area is listed in Table 1.

#### 4.2 LOCAL GEOLOGY

Within the exploration licence boundaries, outcrop is generally poor and the area is underlain by the Mt Bonnie Formation of the South Alligator Group and the Burrell Creek Formation of the Finniss River Group.

Tertiary alluvial and colluvial sediments occur along the course of the Margaret River system with overlying Quaternary silts and black soil plains.

Very little structural data is evident from surface outcrop.

East of the Margaret River are low lying ridges of Burrell Creek

Formation greywacke. These ridges trend 310-320°M and are

dominantly "tombstone" greywacke with a subvertical fabric.

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TABLE 1 .

EARLY PROTEROZOIC STRATIGRAPHY OF ADELAIDE RIVER/PINE CREEK AREA

GROUP	FORMATION	MEMBER	LITHOLOGIES	THICKNESS M
Finniss	Burrell Creek		Greywacke, siltstone,	3000
River			mudstone, rare chert	
			iron formation and	
			conglomerate.	
South	Mt Bonnie	Upper	Mudstone, siltstone,	100-250
Alligator			chert, iron formation.	
		Lower	Greywacke, mudstone,	50-150
			siltstone, chert,	
			carbonaceous mudstone,	•
			rare conglomerate.	
	Gerowie Tuff		Chert, mudstone,	
			siltstone.	200-400
	Koolpin	Upper	Carbonaceous mudstone	, 50-150
			mudstone, siltstone.	
,		Middle	Iron formation, mudsto	one,
			siltstone.	
		Lower	Micaceous mudstone,	
			siltstone, minor	
			carbonaceous mudstone	
Mount	Wildman		Mudstone, phyllite,	200-400
Partridge	Siltstone		siltstone, carbonaceo	ıs
			mudstone, sandstone.	
	Mundogie		Quartzsite, arkose,	
			pebble conglomerate,	
			mudstone, siltstone.	

NB Thickness given above are for Type Areas only.

### 5. PREVIOUS EXPLORATION

No field exploration activities were completed by Territory Resources during the first year of tenure due to its financial difficulties.

No other data was acquired from Territory Resources following the transfer to Dominion.

#### 6. 1989 EXPLORATION

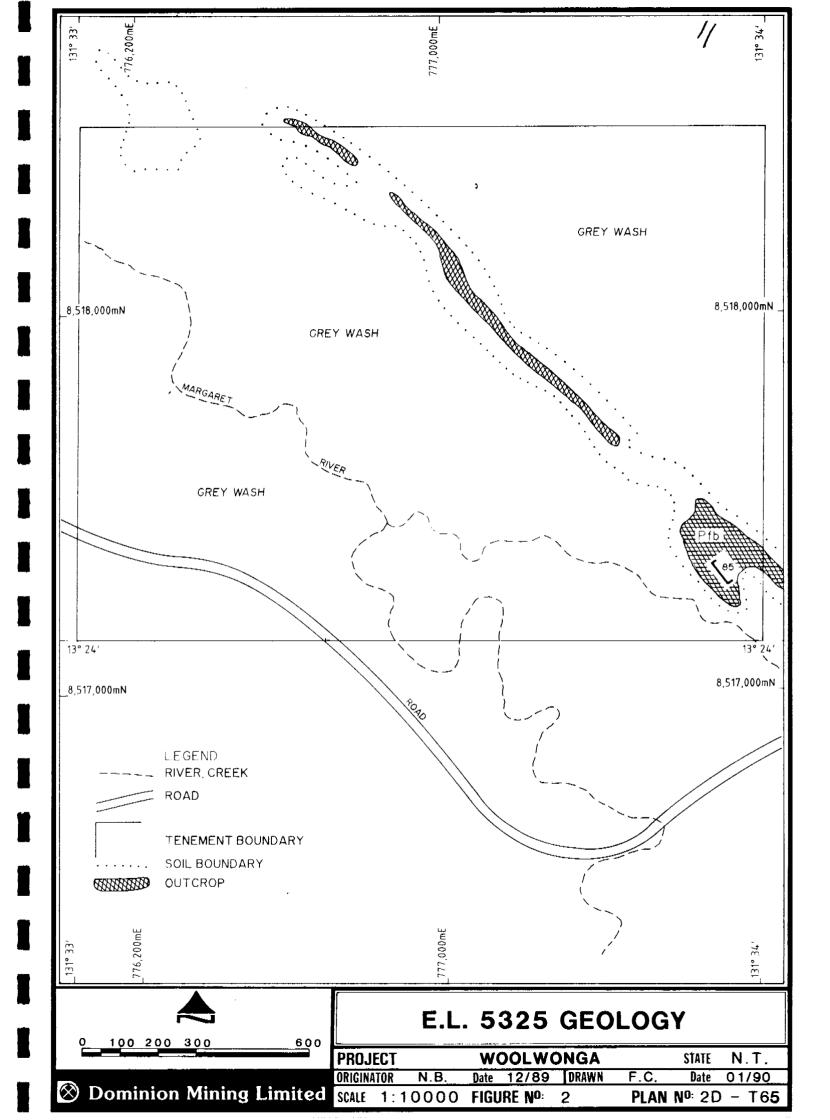
Exploration conducted by Dominion during 1989 included surface mapping, minor rock chip sampling and RAB drilling.

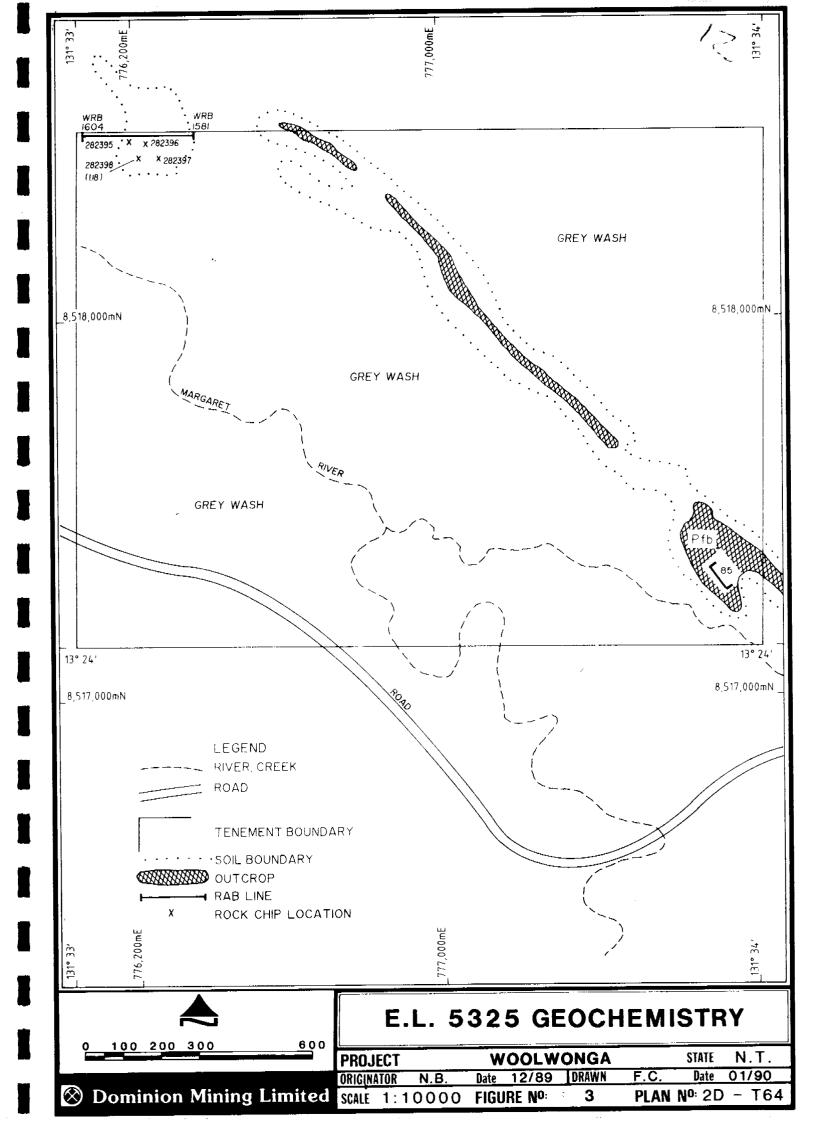
Surface mapping at 1:10,000 aerial photograph scale delineated areas of residual/pisolitic soil within large areas of grey wash plains. One major ridge of 'tombstone' greywacke, interpreted as Burrell Creek Formation, trends ≈150°M through the licence (See Figure 2).

Four quartz scree samples were collected from a residual soil area in the NW corner of the tenement. One anomalous result of 1.18 ppm Au was received from a sugary quartz breccia with pyrite and arsenopyrite (See Figure 3).

A minor RAB drill program to investigate this anomaly was conducted. Twenty four holes for 494m (157 Samples) were drilled parallel to the northern boundary across the residual soil zone. One anomalous result of 0.24 ppm Au (colluvium) was received and therefore no further drilling was contemplated.

Prior to the expiry date, three mineral claims were pegged to cover the south western corner of the tenement ie MCN (A) 3705-3707.







#### 7. CONCLUSIONS

The surface mapping of EL 5325 has indicated two zones of residual soils. Scree sampling of one pisolitic zone revealed one anomalous value of gold mineralization which was tested by RAB drilling.

No anomalous RAB drill results were received and therefore no further infill drilling was initiated.

Due to the poor geochemical results, no further exploration was completed. Three mineral claims were pegged in the southwest corner of the tenement for mine development purposes of the adjacent Woolwonga prospect.

#### 8. EXPENDITURE

EL 5325 forms part of Dominions Woolwonga NORTH PROJECT AREA. Pro-rata <u>EXPENDITURE</u> for the year to 30 NOV 89 is tabulated below.

#### DIRECT COSTS

Assays	4 867	
Aerial Photography	412	
Survey and Gridding	2 346	
Earthworks	1 597	
Geophysics	11 156	
Drilling - RAB	1 661	
Drilling - RC	4 867	
Land Rates/Rentals	709	
Equipment (Purchase & Hire)	1 642	Sub-Total \$ 29 257

#### INDIRECT COSTS

Vehicle Expenses	463	
Travel/Accommodation	316	
Field Supplies/Consumables	1 431	
Freight & Cartage	111	
Salaries & Wages	7 902	
Drafting	423	
Camp Rental & Consumeables	2 955	
Admin - Office	7 246	Sub Total \$ 20 847
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Total		\$ 50 104

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APPENDIX 1 ROCK CHIP RESULTS

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## WOOLWONGA NORTH RAB DRILLING AND MINERALIZATION SUMMARY

OLE NO.   NORTHING	EASTING	AZIMUTH/DIP (MAG)	TOTAL DEPTH (M)	DATE DRILLED	NO OF SAMPLES	MINERALIZATION SUMMARY (Au g/t ORIGINAL RE ASSAY
NRB 1581 EL 5325 Fenceline	287.5	090/60	22	12/9/89	6	NIL MINERALIZATION
	275	090/60	23	12/9/89	7	NIL "
1582				10/0/00	. 6	
1583	262.5	090/60	20	12/9/89		NIL 4
1584	250	090/60	17	12/9/89	- 5	NIL "
1585	237.5	090/60	23	13/9/89	7	NIL "
1586	225	090/60	23	13/9/89	7	NIL "
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1587	212.5	090/60	20	13/9/89		NIL II
1588	200	090/60	23	13/9/89	10	NIL II
1589	187.5	090/60	23 '	13/9/89	6	0-2m: 2m@ 0.24 (CIV)
1590	175	090/60	23	13/9/89	7	NIL MINERALIZATION
1591	162.5	090/60	23	13/9/89	8	NIL "
		090/60	23	13/9/89	7	
1592	150	090/80		20,,,,,		N)L n
1593	137.5	090/60	23	13/9/89	7	NIL "
1594	125	090/60	23	13/9/89	6	NIL "
1595	112.5	.090/60	23	13/9/89	9	 NIL "
WRB 1596	100	090/60	23	13/9/89	9 9	N1L ·

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HOLE NO.	NORTHING	EASTING	AZIMUTH/DIP (MAG)	TOTAL DEPTH (M)	DATE DRILLED	NO OF	RESULTS RECEIVED	MINERALIZATION SUMMARY (AU g/ ORIGINAL RE ASSAY
	L 5325 enceline	87.5	090/60	21	13/9/89	8		NIL MINERALIZATION
1598		75	090/60	8	13/9/89	3		NIL "
1599		62.5	090/60	15	13/9/89	5		NIL "
1600	,	50.0	090/60	14	13/9/89	4		NIL "
1601		37.5	090/60	19	13/9/89	6		HIL "
1602		25	090/60	23	13/9/89	-7		NIL "
1603		12.5	090/60	21	13/9/89	6		NIL "
1604		0	090/60	18	13/9/89	5		NIL "