

## Defense Metals (TSX-V: DEFN.V) (OTCQB: DFMTF) Featured in Reuters article on rare earth miners

'Western start-ups seek to break China's grip on rare earths refining'

VANCOUVER, BC, CANADA, December 18, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Mining / Metals / Green Energy Stock news from Investorideas.com Newswire - Defense Metals Corp. ("Defense Metals" or the "Company") (TSX-V:DEFN / OTCQB:DFMTF/ 35D: FSE) was recently featured in an article in Reuters' Western start-ups seek to break China's grip on rare earths refining'.



## Read the full article on Reuters:

https://www.reuters.com/sustainability/climate-energy/western-start-ups-seek-break-chinas-grip-rare-earths-refining-2023-12-04/

Read the article on Taipei Times

https://www.taipeitimes.com/News/biz/archives/2023/12/10/2003810391

Defense Metals Corp. is focused on the exploration and development its 100% owned Wicheeda Project in British Columbia. The rare-earth elements project strives to deliver critical metals commonly used in the defense and national security industries, and in the production of green energy technologies. Rare earth magnets are commonly found in the centre of wind turbines and in electric vehicle motors.

The 2023 MRE comprises a 6.4 million tonne Measured Mineral Resource, averaging 2.86% (TREO)1; 27.8 million tonne Indicated Mineral Indicated Resource, averaging 1.84% TREO; and 11.1 million tonne Inferred Mineral Resource, averaging 1.02% TREO, reported at a cut-off grade of 0.5% TREO. The Property consists of 12 mineral claims covering an area of 6,759 hectares, located approximately 80 km northeast of the city of Prince George, British Columbia, Canada.

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