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EMGOLD MOVES TO ACQUIRE 100% INTEREST IN THE CASA SOUTH PROPERTY, QC

Vancouver, British Columbia - Emgold Mining Corporation (TSXV: EMR) (“**Emgold**” or the “**Company**”) announces it has completed an amendment (the “**Amendment**”) to the definitive option agreement (the “**Option Agreement**”) between Emgold and Greg Exploration Inc, and Affiliates (collectively referred to as the “**Vendors**”) and has exercised its option, granted by the Amendment, to acquire a 100% interest in the Casa South Property, QC (the “**Property**”).

The Property comprises 180 active mining titles covering a total of 10,061 hectares (100 square kilometers). It is located immediately south of Hecla Mining Corporation’s (“**Hecla**”) (**NYSE:HL**) Casa Berardi Mine which has produced over 2.0 million recovered gold ounces since commencing production in 1988. Gold production at the Mine in 2018, reported in a February 21, 2018 news release by Hecla, was 162,744 ounces. Note that the presence of mineral resources and reserves found on the Casa Berardi Mine Property does not guarantee discovery or delineation of mineral resources and reserves on the Casa South Property.

Under the terms of the original Option Agreement, Emgold had the option to complete C\$375,000 in payments (C\$75,000 paid to date) over four years and complete C\$1.6 million in exploration expenditures to acquire a 91% interest in the Property (see March 19, 2019 press release). Under the terms of the Amendment, in lieu of the remaining payments and work commitments above and in order to acquire a 100% undivided interest in the Property, Emgold shall have the option of issuing to Vendors an amount of 4,000,000 units from its share capital (the “**Compensation Units**”), each Compensation Unit being comprised of one common share (each a “**Compensation Share**”) and one half of one common share purchase warrant (each a “**Compensation Warrant**”), each whole Compensation Warrant entitling the holder to acquire one (1) common share in the share capital of Emgold (each a “**Compensation Warrant Share**”) at a price of \$0.25 per Compensation Warrant Share for a period of twenty four (24) months from the date of issuance.

Compensation Shares and Compensation Warrant Shares issued as a result of the Amendment will be subject to a four month statutory hold period. The Compensation Shares and Compensation Warrant Shares issued as part of the Amendment shall be subject to a Right of First Refusal (“**ROFR**”) provisions and limitation of monthly sales by the Vendors (the “**Offered Shares**”) in any given calendar month, subject to a 10 business day Notice Period (the “**Notice Period**”). During the Notice Period, Emgold shall have the right to identify one or several acquirers to purchase the Offered Shares, to which the Vendors shall sell all (but not less than all) of the Offered Shares at equal or superior terms, based on the prior 10 day volume weighted average price of Emgold’s common shares on the TSX Venture Exchange.

A one and a half percent (1.5%) Net Smelter Royalty (“**NSR**”) will be granted to the Vendors on the Property, being agreed that half a percent (0.5%) of said NSR can be repurchased by Emgold for an amount of C\$500,000.

Emgold has elected to exercise this option and acquire a 100% interest in Casa South. The Amendment and acquisition the Property are subject to TSX Venture Exchange approval.

Qualified Person

Alain Moreau, a qualified person under the NI 43-101 instrument, has reviewed and approved the content of this press release.

About Emgold

Emgold is a junior gold exploration company focused on Nevada and Quebec. The Company's strategy is to look for asset acquisitions and divestitures, joint ventures, option, royalty, and other business opportunities to advance the Company and create value for our shareholders. Our properties include the Golden Arrow, Buckskin Rawhide East, Buckskin Rawhide West, and Koegel Rawhide Properties in Nevada and the Casa South Property in Quebec (subject to regulatory approval of the Amendment and exercise of the Option as outlined in this press release), adjacent to Hecla Mining Corporation's (NYSE: HL) operating Casa Berardi Mine. The Company has Letters of Intent to acquire the New York Canyon Property and the Mindora Property, both in Nevada. The Company also has a strategic investment of 3.75 million shares of Troilus Gold Corporation (TSX: TLG) which is advancing the Troilus Gold Project in Quebec. For more information on the Company, investors should review the Company's filings that are available at www.sedar.com or the Company's website at www.emgold.com.

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any pending litigation, environmental issues and liabilities, and risks related to joint venture operations, and other risks and uncertainties disclosed in the Company's latest interim Management's Discussion and Analysis and filed with certain securities commissions in Canada. The Company's Canadian public disclosure filings may be accessed via www.sedar.com and readers are urged to review these materials, including the technical reports filed with respect to the Company's mineral properties.

The Company does not undertake to update any forward-looking information provided in this press release or Management's Discussion and Analysis, except as, and to the extent required by, applicable securities laws. For more information on the Company and its business, investors should review the Company's annual information form and other regulatory filings filed with securities commissions or similar authorities in Canada that are available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com. The Company reviews its forward-looking statements on an ongoing basis and updates this information when circumstances require it.

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