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## **DEEP-SOUTH RESOURCES INTENDS TO ACQUIRE 90% OF THE ST JOHN PROPERTY NEIGHBORING THE KOKOYA GOLD MINE IN LIBERIA AND ADD TWO EXPERIENCED GEOLOGISTS TO ITS TECHNICAL TEAM**

**Vancouver, B.C., Canada – DECEMBER 18, 2017** – Deep-South Resources Inc. ("**Deep-South**" or "**the Company**") (TSX-V: DSM) is pleased to announce that it has signed a letter of agreement (the "Letter of Agreement") to acquire from Sparrowhawk Gold Ltd ("**Sparrowhawk**"), 90% of the St John project, neighboring the Kokoya gold mine situated in the northeast of Liberia.

Upon completion of a satisfactory due diligence, Deep-South shall acquire 90% of the common shares of Jarjlokpo Resources Ltd, which holds the Reconnaissance Licence forming the St John project, in consideration for a cash payment of US \$ 20,000.00 and the issuance of 250,000 common shares of Deep-South.

Furthermore, Deep-South shall incur the following payments and shares issuance to Sparrowhawk:

<b>On</b>	<b>Cash Payments</b>	<b>Shares Issuance</b>
First Anniversary of Closing Date	US\$ 20,000	250,000
Second Anniversary of Closing Date	US\$ 35,000	250,000
Third Anniversary of Closing Date	US\$ 50,000	250,000

Deep-South shall also incur the conditional following shares issuance and payments to Sparrowhawk:

- On the confirmation of a NI 43-101 inferred resource of 350,000 oz Au on the property, 250,000 shares of Deep-South;
- On the confirmation of a NI 43-101 inferred resource of 750,000 oz Au on the property, 500,000 shares of Deep-South;
- On the confirmation of a NI 43-101 inferred resource of 1.5 million oz Au on the property, 500,000 shares of Deep-South;

Sparrowhawk shall be entitled to a production bonus of US \$ 1million to be paid 60 days after the day of commercial production commencement;

Sparrowhawk shall be entitled to hold a 1.5% Net Smelter Returns royalty ("NSR") calculated on 100% of production from the Property (the "NSR"). Deep-South shall hold an option to buy back 1/2 of the NSR by making a cash payment of \$500,000 to Sparrowhawk at any time

The Letter of Agreement, and the transactions contemplated therein, including the shares issuance are subject to approval by the TSX Venture Exchange. All securities issued pursuant to the Letter of Agreement and to Sparrowhawk Gold Limited will be

subject to a holding period of four months and a day from the date of issuance.

Mr. John Akwenye, Chairman of Deep-South stated, “We are delighted with this transaction. We are securing a large area in the heart of a promising area that already host a large gold mine and several discoveries. St John has substantial exploration potential. St John is a quality asset that adds strong value for our shareholders.”

### **About the St John Project: Gold potential**

The St John project is situated within Archean Greenstone Belt terrain of North Liberia. The project comprises one Reconnaissance license covering an area of 480.4 square kilometres located some 20 kilometres North East along trend from MNG Gold’s Kokoya gold mine (see attached map). The project area covers 45 km strike of a major greenstone belt at close proximity to the St John shear zone. The project also hosts an important number of active artisanal miners through the license.

Liberia is significantly underexplored compared to the rest of West Africa hosting the same geology. The country hosts a wide distribution of active alluvial artisanal mining, which suggests the potential for primary bedrock gold deposits. The discoveries of the New Liberty mine, Kokoya Gold Mine and the Dugbe deposit have revealed the potential and prospectivity of the country.

Clifford Fitzhenry; MSc, BSc (Hons), Pr.Sci.Nat., is responsible for the technical part of this press release and is the designated Qualified Person under the terms of National Instrument 43-101.

### **Addition to our technical team**

Deep-South has appointed Mr. Paul Lemmon as Chief Geologist and Mr. Clifford Fitzhenry as Exploration Manager West Africa.

Mr. Lemmon is a professional Geologist with experience in numerous jurisdictions worldwide. Most notably, he has over 25 years experience in several African countries such as Liberia, Zambia and many others.

In addition to having held directorship positions at a number of public and private companies, Mr. Lemmon is Chief Geologist and Director of Copperzone Resources Ltd, a successful project generator and exploration company focused in Zambia. Mr. Lemmon is a Professional Graduate of United Kingdom’s Institute of Materials, a Fellow of the Geological Society of London, and a Registered Professional Natural Scientist in South Africa.

Mr. Fitzhenry is a Geologist with 14 years experience across a number of African countries. He began his career with Anglo Platinum on the Bushveld Complex and has subsequently worked on mining and exploration projects throughout Africa including Central African Republic, Liberia, Madagascar, South Africa, Mozambique and Malawi. Mr. Fitzhenry holds MSc and BSc Honours (cum laude) degrees from the University of KwaZulu Natal (South Africa) and is a Registered Professional Natural Scientist in South Africa.

Mr. Pierre Léveill , President & CEO of Deep-South stated that: “We are extremely pleased to have the opportunity to bring Mr. Lemmon and Fitzhenry on board with us. They bring highly valuable African experience that will highly benefit to Deep-South.”

### **About the INAL project acquisition in Mauritania**

The closing of the INAL project acquisition is pending the issuance of the formal Ministerial decree officially granting the two exploration licences comprised in the INAL

project. The Ministry of Mines has confirmed that the owner of the project, has filed all the requisite forms and made all the requisite payments for the licenses and that they have obtained priority over the licenses. Deep-South's due diligence was satisfying and the Company intends to close the acquisition upon reception of the formal Ministerial decree.

Details of the transaction have been previously disclosed in a press release dated August 23, 2017. The press release be seen on SEDAR or by clicking this link: <https://www.deepsouthresources.com/investors/news-releases/deep-south-resources-intends-to-acquire-75-of-the-inal-property-neighboring-the-kinross-tasiast-gold-mine-in-mauritania/>.

### **About Deep-South Resources Inc.**

Deep-South Resources Inc. is a mineral exploration company largely held Namibian shareholders and Teck Resources Ltd, which holds about 35% of Deep-South share capital. Deep-South is actively involved in the acquisition, exploration and development of major mineral properties. Deep-South currently holds 100% of the Haib Copper project in Namibia, one of the largest copper porphyry in Africa. Deep-South growth strategy is to focus on the exploration and development of quality assets, in significant mineralized trends, close to infrastructure, in stable countries.

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