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## Aztec Regrets to Announce Passing of David M. Jones

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**Vancouver, Canada December 30, 2021 - Aztec Minerals Corp. (AZT: TSX-V, OTCQB: AZZTF)** announces with great sadness that Mr. David M. Jones, Technical Advisor to Aztec, passed away suddenly and unexpectedly on December 28, 2021.

During his 40-year career, David had a true passion for geology and the mining industry who strived to push geological boundaries and explore in newly undiscovered jurisdictions. During the early 1990s, he was the principal geologist for Teck Corp. in Mexico to explore the Nukay mine region which resulted in the discovery of the Los Filos gold deposit in 1995 now owned by Equinox Gold Corp. Throughout his tenure within this region, he built the knowledge to be considered a specialist in skarn and porphyry systems, of which his geological model was responsible for multiple discoveries resulting in being the foremost expert on what has now grown to be known as the 'Guerrero Gold Belt'. He served as Chief Technical Advisor and helped establish Torex Gold Resources Inc. and their El Limon/Los Guajes gold deposits. This well-endowed gold region eventually attracted several world-class major mining companies including Equinox Gold, Torex Gold, Agnico Eagle and Osisko Development Corp. More recently, Mr. Jones was responsible for identifying the exploration target that directly led to the discovery of Gold Resource Corp's Switchback vein system at the El Aguila project. He served as a director of Cayden Resources through their acquisition by Agnico Eagle. He was a well sought-after geological advisor to several mining companies.

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**Simon Dyakowski**, Chief Executive Officer  
**Aztec Minerals Corp.**

**About Aztec Minerals** – Aztec is a mineral exploration company focused on the discovery of large polymetallic mineral deposits in the Americas. Our core asset is the prospective Cervantes porphyry gold-copper property in Sonora, Mexico. The historic, district-scale Tombstone properties host both bulk tonnage epithermal gold-silver as well as CRD silver-lead-zinc mineralization in Cochise County, Arizona. Aztec's shares trade on the TSX-V stock exchange (symbol AZT) and on the OTCQB (symbol AZZTF).

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