

# PRESS RELEASE



## Aya Gold & Silver Updates Further on Situation in Morocco

**Montreal, Quebec, September 11, 2023 - Aya Gold & Silver Inc.** (TSX: AYA; OTCQX: AYASF) (“Aya” or the “Corporation”) would like to reiterate its heartfelt condolences to the families who lost loved ones, homes, and community members during Friday’s earthquake in Morocco. Furthermore, the Corporation expresses its deep gratitude for the many messages and offers of support following the tragedy.

Aya continues to deploy its medical personnel to communities surrounding the Zgounder Silver Mine following the earthquake and provide as-needed support to the local committees set up to administer emergency disaster relief. The Corporation also reports resumption of all operations yesterday morning at Zgounder. Operations were suspended for 24 hours during which a geotechnical assessment confirmed the structural integrity of the mine, mining facilities and infrastructure. Roads to the mine have now been fully cleared.

“In light of the human tragedy and despite no visible signs of damage, we suspended operations for 24 hours following the earthquake to carry out preventive inspections on the mine and mining infrastructure. While the results of our review were positive, we will continue to monitor the situation closely while ensuring the ongoing health and safety of our employees and communities. No compromises will be made on that point,” said Benoit La Salle, President & CEO. “Our extra vigilance is in addition to our already heavy focus on health and safety at the mine.”

### **About Aya Gold & Silver Inc.**

Aya Gold & Silver Inc. is a rapidly growing, Canada-based silver producer with operations in the Kingdom of Morocco.

The only TSX-listed pure silver mining company, Aya operates the high-grade Zgounder Silver Mine and is exploring its properties along the prospective South-Atlas Fault, several of which have hosted past-producing mines and historical resources. Aya’s Moroccan mining assets are complemented by its Tijirit Gold Project in Mauritania, which is being advanced to feasibility.

Aya’s management team maximizes shareholder value by anchoring sustainability at the heart of its production, resource, governance, and financial growth plans.

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