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EMGOLD COMMENCES DRILLING ON STEWART MOLYBDENUM PROPERTY, B.C.

Emgold Mining Corporation (“Emgold”) is pleased to announce that it has commenced a 500-metre diamond drill program on its Stewart Molybdenum Project, located near the community of Salmo in south eastern British Columbia. The intent of the drill program is to test a zone of molybdenum mineralization and confirm the results from past drill programs conducted by previous operators. This work will allow Emgold to assess the potential for further exploration and possible development of the molybdenum zone.

The Stewart Molybdenum Property was previously drilled during the early 1980s by Shell Minerals and Selco Inc. This work outlined three breccia zones that contain significant molybdenum mineralization. In 1980, Shell diamond drilled 3 holes and returned a best intercept of 57 metres grading 0.46% MoS₂ (BC Ministry of Energy and Mines Assessment Report # 10072). An additional 16 holes were drilled in 1981 by Shell Minerals, and 4 by Selco in 1983. The results are summarized in the BC Ministry of Energy and Mines Minfile #082FSW229 Report which states that “the (Phase II) breccia zone contains 204,000 tonnes of 0.37% MoS₂.” Reports by Selco also indicate the potential for a porphyry style molybdenum deposit adjacent to this Phase II breccia zone (BC Ministry of Energy and Mines Assessment Report #12251). **The historic resource calculation reported here is not NI 43-101 compliant and must not be relied upon for investment purposes.**

The current diamond drill program will test the historic drill results as part of a due diligence program. Emgold will be twinning 3 to 4 of the 1980-1981 Shell Minerals drill holes in the Phase II breccia zone. This drilling will determine the reliability of the historical resource estimate by comparing historic Shell results with those obtained by Emgold. This comparison will allow Emgold to determine whether the historic resource estimate may be integrated with the current results and be used to produce a National Instrument 43-101 compliant resource calculation for the Phase II breccia zone.

Should the results from this due diligence drilling be encouraging, additional exploratory drilling is required to expand our current knowledge of the molybdenum mineralization in both the Phase II and Phase I breccia zones.

Perry Grunenberg, P.Geo., of P&L Geological Services is the project supervisor and “Qualified Person” for the purpose of National Instrument 43-101 who has reviewed and verified the contents of this news release.

For more information about Emgold, the Stewart, Rozan and Jazz Properties in British Columbia, the Idaho-Maryland Project and the Ceramext™ Process, please visit www.emgold.com or www.sedar.com.

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