

# **EMGOLD MINING CORPORATION**

**(AN EXPLORATION STAGE COMPANY)**

**MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

**FOR THE YEARS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017 AND 2016**

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### TO OUR SHAREHOLDERS

The following information should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements of Emgold Mining Corporation (“Emgold” or “the Company”) for the years ended 31 December 2017 and 2016 and the related notes attached thereto, which were prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”). All amounts are expressed in U.S. dollars unless otherwise indicated.

Certain statements included herein may constitute forward-looking statements, such as estimates and statements that describe our future plans, objectives or goals, including words to the effect that we expect or management expects a stated condition or result to occur. Such forward-looking statements are made pursuant to the safe harbour provisions of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Since forward-looking statements address future events and conditions, by their very nature they involve inherent risks and uncertainties. The following list of factors may affect any of our forward-looking statements. These and other factors should be considered carefully and readers should not place undue reliance on our forward-looking statements.

Subject to applicable law, the Company expressly disclaims any obligation to revise or update forward-looking statements in the event actual results differ from those currently anticipated. Actual results relating to exploration, mining, processing, manufacturing, and reclamation activities including results of exploration, mineral resource and reserve determination, results of operations, and results of reclamation, as well as associated capital and operating costs could differ materially from those currently anticipated. Actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements by reason of factors such as changes in general economic conditions and conditions in the financial markets, changes in demand, and changes in prices for the products that may be produced. Other factors that may affect actual results include the litigation, legislative, environmental and other judicial, regulatory, political and competitive developments in domestic and foreign areas in which we operate, such as technological and operational difficulties encountered in connection with our activities, productivity of our resource properties, labour relations matters, labour costs, material and equipment costs and changing foreign exchange rates. Further information regarding these and other factors is included in our filings with the US Securities and Exchange Commission (which may be viewed at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov)) and Canadian provincial securities regulatory authorities (which may be viewed at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com)).

The table below sets forth the most significant forward-looking information included in this annual MD&A:

<b>Forward-Looking Information</b>	<b>Key Assumptions</b>	<b>Most Relevant Risk Factors</b>
Future funding for ongoing operations	The Company will be able to raise these funds	The Company has disclosed that this may be difficult and failure to raise these funds will materially impact the Company’s ability to continue as a going concern
Future intent to acquire a 51% interest in Golden Arrow gold-silver property in Nevada	The option agreement will be approved and property acquired	The agreement will not occur and the Company will be unable to acquire an interest in the property

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#### OVERVIEW

Emgold is a gold exploration and mine development company with properties located in the western U.S.A. and Canada. Our vision is to “acquire high-quality gold assets in safe and stable jurisdictions of the world and advance them through exploration, feasibility, permitting, and construction with the goal of ultimately becoming a new gold producer.”

The Company has three gold and silver exploration projects located in the Rawhide Mining District, Nevada, adjacent to or near the producing Rawhide Mine. These properties include the Buckskin Rawhide East, Buckskin Rawhide West, and Koegel Rawhide Properties. High grade vein and bulk disseminated gold exploration targets have been identified on these Properties for further exploration. The Company also has two poly-metallic exploration projects located in the Nelson District of British Columbia. Gold, silver, molybdenum and tungsten targets have been identified and drilled on the Stewart Property. Gold targets have been identified and drilled on the Rozan Property.

Emgold’s key property is currently the Buckskin Rawhide East Property. It is located adjacent to the Rawhide Mine with a reported production of 1.7 million ounces of gold and 14.1 million ounces of silver from 1990 to 2014 (Source: The Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology, Special Publication, MI-2014). The Property is currently leased to Rawhide Mining LLC (“RMC”), the owner and operator of the Rawhide Mine, and they plan to conduct exploration on the Property with the goal of delineating mineral resources. If exploration is successful, RMC will evaluate the viability of mining and processing such resources using facilities at the adjacent Rawhide Mine. RMC has the option to acquire a 100% interest in the Property by bringing it into commercial production. At that point Emgold’s interest will convert to “Gold Bonus Payments”, effectively a royalty on gold produced from the Property.

Between 2003 and 2011, the Company was involved in permitting the reopening of the historic Idaho-Maryland Gold Mine located in Grass Valley, California (the “I-M Project”). The I-M Project was placed on hold on 26 October 2011 due to poor equity market conditions. On 10 September 2013, the Company’s permit applications were deemed withdrawn by the City of Grass Valley. On 01 February 2013, the Company announced that the Lease Option to Purchase Agreement (the “BET Agreement”) for certain surface and mineral rights associated with the I-M Project (the “BET properties”) had expired. Subsequent attempts to obtain financing and negotiate a new BET Agreement or to purchase the BET properties were unsuccessful. In 2016, Emgold management elected to sell the remaining real estate properties it owned in Grass Valley and focus on advancing the other assets the Company currently has in its portfolio and to look for acquisition opportunities to replace the I-M Project.

#### **Buckskin Rawhide East Property, Nevada**

The Buckskin Rawhide East Property is situated within the Walker Lane structural zone and gold belt of Western Nevada. The Walker Lane is a regional shear zone of right lateral strike slip faulting and a known gold trend that hosts large and small historic and currently operating gold-silver mines, including mines of the Comstock Lode, Tonopah Mining District and Rawhide Mining District. The geology and mineralization on the Property are associated with lithologic units and structures of the Rawhide volcanic center, as well as structures from the Walker Lane and Basin and Range. Exploration results at Buckskin Rawhide East Property indicate the potential for high grade mineralized gold/silver veins and bulk mineable disseminated gold/silver zones.

The Buckskin Rawhide East Property, totaling 52 unpatented mineral claims, is an early stage gold/silver exploration property located adjacent to and bounded on the east and south by the Rawhide Mine, a gold/silver mine that is owned and operated by Rawhide Mining LLC. The Rawhide Mine was formerly operated by Kennecott Rawhide Mining Company, a subsidiary of Rio Tinto Mining Corporation. It is also adjacent to and bounded on the north and west by the Regent gold-silver Property (“Regent Property”), also owned Rawhide Mining LLC. The Regent Property was formerly drilled by Kennecott Rawhide Mining Company, Newmont Exploration Company, and Pilot Gold Corporation. Rawhide Mine is reported to have produced 1.7 million ounces of gold and 14.1 million ounces of silver between 1990 and 2014 (source: The Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology, Special Publication, MI-2014). The proximity of Buckskin Rawhide East to other properties such as Rawhide Mine and Regent Property does not

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guarantee exploration success. However, similar geology, structures, and the presence of historic workings on the Property does increase the potential for discovery.

In 2009, Emgold signed a Lease and Option to Purchase Agreement with Nevada Sunrise LLC and leased a 100% interest in 46 claims that made up the original Buckskin Rawhide East Property. Forty of these claims were 75% owned by Nevada Sunrise LLC and 25% owned (but controlled by Nevada Sunrise LLC through a carried interest) by the Castagne Estate. Six claims were owned by Nevada Sunrise LLC. Subsequently, Emgold staked six additional claims increasing the property size to 52 claims.

On 14 and 19 November 2012, the Company announced that it had signed an Agreement with Rawhide Mining LLC ("RMC") pursuant to which the Company would issue to RMC, on a private placement basis, shares and warrants in an amount of CAD\$1.0 million, part of which would be used to fund the acquisition of 46 claims outlined above owned from Nevada Sunrise LLC and the Castagne Estate. Also, pursuant to the Agreement, upon completion of the title transfer of the 100% of the Buckskin Rawhide East Property to Emgold, the Company would subsequently lease the property to RMC. After completing a Quiet Title process, Emgold acquired 100% interest in the Buckskin Rawhide East Property on 28 July 2014 and leased the property to RMC on 21 August, 2014, with the effective date of the lease being 1 June 2013 under the following terms (the "Lease Agreement"):

1. The Lease Term is 20 years (start date of 1 June 2013).
2. Advance royalty payments will be \$10,000 per year, paid by RMC to Emgold, with the first payment due at signing and subsequent payments due on the anniversary of the Lease Agreement.
3. During the Lease Term, RMC will make all underlying claim fees to keep the claims in good standing.
4. RMC will conduct a minimum of \$250,000 in exploration activities by the end of Year 1.
5. RMC will conduct an additional minimum of \$250,000 in exploration activities by the end of Year 3, for a total of \$500,000 in exploration activities by the end of Year 3.
6. RMC will have the option of earning a 100% interest in the Property by bringing it into commercial production.
7. Upon bringing the property into commercial production, RMC will make "Bonus Payments" to Emgold. Bonus Payments will be US\$15 per ounce of gold when the price of gold ranges between \$1,200 per ounce and \$1,799 per ounce. If the price of gold exceeds \$1,800 per ounce, the Bonus Payment will increase to \$20 per ounce
8. After meeting its exploration requirements, should RMC subsequently elect to drop the Property or decide not to advance it, the Property will be returned to Emgold. Should Emgold subsequently advance the Property into production, RMC shall then be entitled to the same type of Bonus Payments as contemplated in 7 above.

Historic RC drilling on the property in the 1980's and 1990's totalled 113 holes and 53,370 feet. RMC conducted exploration on Buckskin Rawhide East in 2013 (22 holes totalling 7,100 feet).

Under the terms of the lease agreement, RMC was required complete \$500,000 in exploration related expenditures on the property by 31 May 2016. As of that date, \$325,000 in exploration related expenditures had been completed by RMC. On 1 June 2016, Emgold announced that Emgold and RMC had mutually agreed to amend the original lease agreement and that RMC would pay Emgold the remaining \$175,000 in exploration related expenditures as cash payments to Emgold, in seven quarterly payments of \$25,000, starting on 1 June 2016. Payments of \$25,000 each were completed for 1 June 2016, 1 September 2016, 1 December 2016, 1 March 2017, 1 June 2017, 1 September 2017, and 1 December 2017 respectively. In addition, RMC paid the 1 December 2017 payment in advance and the \$10,000 annual advance royalty payment for the Buckskin Rawhide Property, due 1 June 2017.

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#### Buckskin Rawhide West Property, Nevada

The Buckskin Rawhide West Property, totaling 21 mineral claims, is an early stage gold/silver exploration property located two miles west of the Rawhide Mine, a gold/silver mine that is owned and operated by Rawhide Mining LLC. The Buckskin Rawhide East Property, totaling 52 mineral claims, is an early stage gold/silver Property, also controlled by Emgold, located several thousand feet east but not adjacent to Buckskin Rawhide West.

Exploration results at Buckskin Rawhide West Property indicate the potential for high grade mineralized gold/silver veins and bulk mineable disseminated gold/silver zones. The development alternatives included advancing the Buckskin Rawhide West Property as a standalone gold/silver exploration project or working with Rawhide Mining LLC to explore and develop the Property.

Emgold has a lease and option to purchase agreement with Jeremy Wire, an individual, for 21 unpatented mining claims at Buckskin Rawhide West. The terms of this agreement were disclosed in an Emgold news release dated 6 February 2013.

Emgold has agreed to lease the property from Jeremy Wire subject to the following payments:

Year	Advance Royalty Payment	
2012	\$ 10,000 (paid)	(1)
2013	\$ 10,000 (paid)	(2)
2014	\$ 10,000 (paid)	(2)
2015	\$ 20,000 (paid)	(3)
2016	\$ 30,000 (paid)	(3)
2017	\$ 30,000 (paid)	(3)
2018	\$ 30,000 (paid)	(3)

*Note: (1) An initial lease payment paid 50% in cash and 50% in Emgold common shares. (2) Lease payments may be paid in cash or Emgold common shares, at the discretion of Emgold. (3) Lease payments may be paid in cash or Emgold common shares, at the discretion of the Lessor. Shares will be issued at "market value" which means the volume weighted closing price of the shares on the TSX Venture Exchange or the most senior stock exchange or quotation system on which the shares are then listed or quoted for fifteen (15) trading days ending on the date that is five (5) business days before the applicable payment is due, subject to a minimum price of USD\$0.08 per share.*

During the lease period, Emgold may conduct exploration and, if warranted, complete a NI 43-101 Technical Report on the Property. On making the above payments and completion of the Technical Report, Emgold will acquire 100% ownership of the property. In the event that commercial production occurs, Mr. Wire will be entitled to a two percent Net Smelter Royalty on production from the property. Emgold will retain the right to purchase this royalty for \$1 million, less any advance royalty payments already made.

No exploration work was conducted on the property in the year. The claim owner has agreed to take a share payment for his 2017 advance royalty payment, which was made in Q1 2017.

#### Koegel Rawhide Property, Nevada

The Koegel Rawhide Property is an early stage gold/silver exploration property located about four miles south of the Rawhide Mine, a gold/silver mine that is owned and operated by Rawhide Mining LLC. Geologic mapping by Charles P. Watson, a consulting geologist, in the years 1991-1992, indicates the Property is covered mostly by Tertiary (Pliocene) age intermediate volcanic rocks including andesitic tuff breccias, sills and dikes. The volcanic units have been folded into minor anticlines and faulted. Faults of several orientations occur on the Property with north, northwest and northeast trends. Hydrothermal alteration (clay and silica) is present and is associated with structures and mineralization.

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Emgold has a lease and option to purchase agreement with Jeremy Wire, an individual, for 19 unpatented mining claims at Koegel Rawhide. The terms of this agreement were disclosed in an Emgold news release dated 13 February 2013. Emgold has agreed to lease the property from Jeremy Wire subject to the following payments:

Year	Advance Royalty Payment
2012	\$ 10,000 (paid) <sup>(1)</sup>
2013	\$ 10,000 (paid) <sup>(2)</sup>
2014	\$ 10,000 (paid) <sup>(2)</sup>
2015	\$ 20,000 (paid) <sup>(3)</sup>
2016	\$ 30,000 (paid) <sup>(3)</sup>
2017	\$ 30,000 (paid) <sup>(3)</sup>
2018	\$ 30,000 (paid) <sup>(3)</sup>

*Note: (1) An initial lease payment paid 50% in cash and 50% in Emgold common shares. (2) Lease payments may be paid in cash or Emgold common shares, at the discretion of Emgold. (3) Lease payments may be paid in cash or Emgold common shares, at the discretion of the Lessor. Shares will be issued at "market value" which means the volume weighted closing price of the shares on the TSX Venture Exchange or the most senior stock exchange or quotation system on which the shares are then listed or quoted for fifteen (15) trading days ending on the date that is five (5) business days before the applicable payment.*

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On 15 February 2013, the Company announced that it had staked an additional 17 unpatented mining claims totaling 340 acres. This increased the size of the Koegel Rawhide Property to 36 unpatented mining claims totaling 720 acres.

No exploration work was conducted on the property in the year. The claim owner also agreed to take a share payment for his 2017 advance royalty payment, which was made in Q1 2017.

#### Stewart Property, British Columbia

In 2001, the Company entered into an option agreement to acquire the rights to the Stewart mineral claims, a polymetallic prospect located close to Nelson in south-eastern British Columbia. The Company has earned a 100% interest in the property, subject to an underlying royalty interest.

The Stewart Property is an early stage exploration property. It is located in a region of historic mining activity, and is part of a large geological trend of tungsten, molybdenum and gold mineralization. The Stewart Property contains a number of gold, molybdenum, tungsten and silver-lead-zinc prospects. The property has been assessed by various operators since 1967, each exploring a different type of mineral deposit. Much data is available from those programs as well as work done by Emgold. Five main exploration targets have been identified to date – the Stewart Moly Zone, the Craigtown Creek Gold Zone, the Stewart Creek Gold Zone, the Arrow Tungsten Zone, and the Free Silver Zone.

The Stewart Property is located west and adjacent to the Yankee Dundee Property, which contains a number of historic gold mines including the Yankee Girl Mine. The Yankee Girl Mine operated between 1907 and 1951 producing 371,000 tonnes of ore at an average recovered grade of 10.40 grams per tonne gold and 59.50 ounces per tonne silver (source: B.C Ministry of Energy, Mines, and Natural Gas data available at [www.minfile.gov.bc.ca](http://www.minfile.gov.bc.ca)). However, proximity of Stewart to other properties such as Yankee Dundee does not guarantee exploration success. However, similar geology, structures, and the presence of historic workings on the Property does increase the potential for discovery.

A total of 31 diamond drill holes were completed by Shell, Cominco, Selco, and Cameco on the Property between 1980 and 2000, totaling 4,495.1 meters. To date, Emgold has drilled 72 diamond drill holes totaling 9,242.1 meters with a number of significant intercepts.

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No exploration work was conducted on the property in the year. The property is held without additional work requirements until January 2023.

#### **Rozan Property, British Columbia**

In 2000, the Company entered into an option agreement to acquire the rights to the Rozan Property, a prospect located south of the community of Nelson in the Red Mountain area of south eastern British Columbia. The Company holds a 100% interest in the property, subject to an underlying royalty interest.

The Rozan Property is an early stage polymetallic exploration property in the same geological trend as the Stewart Property. Exploration by Emgold has included geological mapping, geochemical sampling and geophysical surveys along with small drilling programs, all of which had encouraging results. The Rozan Property has the potential for high-grade gold veins, bulk mineable disseminated gold zones, and possibly other metals.

The Property is located west and adjacent to the Kena Property, controlled by Prize Mining Corporation. The Kena Property hosts an indicated mineral resource of 24.9 million tonnes at 0.60 gram per tonne gold (481,000 ounces) and an inferred resource of 85.8 million tons at 0.48 gram per tonne gold (1,318,000 ounces of gold) (source: Technical Report for the Kena Project, Nelson B.C., for Prize Mining Corp., by VPG Geosciences, report date of January 16, 2017). Proximity of Rozan to other properties such as Kena does not guarantee exploration success. However, similar geology, structures, and the presence of historic workings on the Property does increase the potential for discovery.

To date, Emgold has completed 18 diamond drill holes on the Property totaling 1,906.8 meters, with a number of significant intercepts.

No exploration work was conducted on the property in the year. The property is held without additional work requirements until March 2023.

#### **Idaho-Maryland Project, California**

The Company holds one real estate asset in California that was part of its former Idaho-Maryland Project and has this property listed for sale for \$179,000.

#### **Corporate**

The Company continues to focus on raising capital to advance its projects and support corporate overhead.

### **EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO 31 DECEMBER 2017**

On 23 January 2018, The Company announced that it has received conditional approval from the TSX Venture Exchange for the acquisition of a 51% interest in the Golden Arrow Property from Nevada Sunrise Gold Corporation. Emgold plans to complete the acquisition by issuing 2.5 million shares in capital of the Company and paying CDN \$282,000 in cash (CDN\$67,000 already paid). The acquisition is subject to completion of a NI 43-101 compliant Technical Report on the Property, financing, and regulatory approvals.

The Golden Arrow Property is located approximately 40 miles east of Tonopah in Nye County, Nevada. The property consists of 357 unpatented and 17 patented lode mineral claims covering an area of approximately 7,000 acres. It contains the historic Golden Arrow Mining District that was the site of underground production from 1905 through the 1930's. It is situated along the north-eastern margin of the Walker Lane Structural Belt and adjacent to the Kawich Caldera.

The Golden Arrow Property is an advanced-stage exploration property with a comprehensive exploration database including geochemical sampling, geophysics, and over 200,000 feet of reverse circulation and diamond core drilling. On 11 May 2016, Nevada Sunrise obtained approval of a Plan of Operations (the "Plan") and an Environmental Assessment (the "EA") for the Golden Arrow Property from the U.S. Bureau of Land Management (the "BLM"). The



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Plan and EA contemplate approximately 240,000 feet (73,170 metres) of drilling in up to 240 holes to explore for new areas of gold mineralization on 1,500 acres of the property and to potentially expand the known gold resources.

To date, two main exploration targets have been drilled on the Golden Arrow Property focusing on bulk disseminated mineralization – the Gold Coin and Hidden Hill deposits (both with historic resource calculations). Numerous other exploration targets have been identified for exploration. Emgold management believes there is potential to expand both the Hidden Hill and Gold Coin resources and for discovery of other bulk disseminated mineralization on the Golden Arrow Property. In addition, historic underground mine workings lie along the Page Fault and other structures on the Golden Arrow Property that have been subject to very limited modern exploration, if any, to evaluate their potential. Emgold management believes these structures have potential for high grade vein mineralization (i.e. mineralization greater than 0.1 opt gold equivalent).

On 19 March 2018, Emgold released a NI 43-101 Technical Report, entitled "2018 Updated Technical Report on the Golden Arrow Project, Nye County, Nevada, U.S.A.". The Report was prepared for Emgold and Nevada Sunrise by Mine Development Associates in Reno, Nevada, and has an effective date of 28 November 2017 and a report date of 2 March 2018. The Technical Report was prepared by qualified persons Steven Ristorcelli, CPG, Odin D. Christensen, PhD, CPG, and Jack S. McPartland, MMSA (collectively, the "Authors"), in support of Emgold's first-time disclosure of a mineral resource for the Property. The Authors are independent of both Emgold, the issuer, and Nevada Sunrise, the vendor.

The Technical Report discloses a mineral resource, which particulars are set out in Table 1 below. The mineral resource was modelled for the Property and estimated by evaluating the drill data statistically and utilizing a three-dimensional geological solid model. Mineral domains were interpreted on northeast-southwest geological cross sections spaced at approximately 100 foot intervals throughout the extent of the Property mineralization. The mineral domain interpretations were then rectified to east-west cross sections spaced at 20 foot intervals. Estimation was done by inverse-distance. The Authors were certified to make their own independent investigations based on what they deemed necessary, in their professional judgment, to be able to reasonably rely on the provided information to make the conclusions and recommendations presented in the Technical Report.

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**Table 1**  
**Golden Arrow Property Mineral Resource<sup>1,2,3,7</sup>**

Classification	Cut-Off Grade <sup>4,5</sup>	Tons	Au opt	Ag opt	Au Ounces	Ag Ounces
Measured	Variable	1,850,000	0.028	0.43	52,400	796,000
Indicated	Variable	10,322,000	0.024	0.31	244,100	3,212,000
Measured and Indicated	Variable	12,172,000	0.024	0.33	296,500	4,008,000
Inferred <sup>6</sup>	Variable	3,790,000	0.013	0.33	50,400	1,249,000

1. CIM Standards were followed in reporting the mineral resource estimate.
2. Effective date of the mineral resource is November 28, 2017.
3. Cut-off grades are 0.01 gold equivalent opt for oxide material and 0.015 gold equivalent opt for sulfide material. Mine Development Associated derived these cut-off grades using mining costs of US\$2.00 per ton, heap-leach costs of US\$4.00 per ton, milling costs of US\$12.00 per ton, and G&A costs of US\$3.50 per ton. Metallurgical recoveries were assumed to range from 70% to 95% for gold, depending upon the oxidation state and sulfide content of the material, and heap-leach or milling scenarios envisioned. Multiple economic evaluations were done including pit optimization that demonstrated the economic viability.
4. Gold equivalent cut-off grade calculated using a 55:1 gold to silver price ratio. No adjustment was made for metallurgical recovery.
5. The quality and grade of inferred resources are uncertain in nature and there has been insufficient exploration to define these inferred resources as measured or indicated resources and it is uncertain whether further exploration will result in upgrading them to measured or indicated resource categories.
6. Mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability.
7. The Authors verified the data in the Technical Report through a combination of data audits, where drilling data compiled in the project database was compared to paper logs, maps, assay certificates and other records, and independent verification sampling. There have been no limitations on, or failure to conduct the verification

As outlined in the Technical Report, the Authors have determined that the Golden Arrow Property is a property of merit that warrants continued exploration and recommend that Emgold undertake continued systematic exploration to discover additional centers of mineralization within the Property.

The Authors recommend a two-phased approach to advance the Property, with the goal of completing a Preliminary Economic Assessment ("PEA") by the end of Phase 2. They recommend Phase 1 include completion of an internal economic scoping study based on the existing mining resources to evaluate whether the PEA can be completed from the existing resource, or whether additional drilling is needed to expand the resource prior to moving forward with a PEA. In addition, the Authors recommend that Phase 1 include a comprehensive review of presently available technical data to define potential drilling targets for discovery of new mineral centers and identify locations for

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drilling within the current resource areas to upgrade mineral resources from Inferred to Indicated classification. Following a review of the technical data, preparation of a new geological map for the project area is recommended for clarification of district volcanic stratigraphy, as well as preparation of several geological cross sections based upon the mapping and drilling information. Rock-chip and soil geochemistry will complement the geological mapping. The proposed budget for Phase 1 recommended work is US\$550,000.

Following the completion of Phase 1, a decision would be made whether or how to proceed with Phase 2. Phase 2 may follow two different paths, based on the results of the Phase 1 scoping study and geological work. The budget for Phase 2 could potentially range from US\$200,000 for simply completing a PEA, to \$2.0 million or more for an aggressive drilling program followed by completion of a PEA. Regardless of the results of Phase 1, exploration drilling is presently warranted, but Phase 1 will be used to design the drill program for Phase 2.

On 26 March 2018, Emgold announced it had completed the final payment to acquire a 100 percent interest in the Buckskin Rawhide West Property from Jeremy Wire.

On 28 March 2018, Emgold announced that it had completed the final payment to acquire a 100 percent interest in the Koegel Rawhide Property from Jeremy Wire.

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#### RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The year ended 31 December 2017 had a net income of \$314,338 compared to the year ended 31 December 2016, which had a loss of \$272,193. The main fluctuations in costs are as follows:

<b>Listing and filing fees</b> (rounded to the nearest '000)	<b>12 months</b> <b>2017</b>	12 months 2016
	\$ 22,000	\$ 15,000
Variance increase (decrease)	\$ 7,000	

The increase in listing and filing fees resulted from fees relating to the share consolidation that occurred during the year.

<b>Professional fees</b> (rounded to the nearest '000)	<b>12 months</b> <b>2017</b>	12 months 2016
	\$ 28,000	\$ 39,000
Variance increase (decrease)	\$ (11,000)	

The decrease in professional fees is due to less activity in the Company during the year affecting the professional cost of compliance.

<b>Management fees</b> (rounded to the nearest '000)	<b>12 months</b> <b>2017</b>	12 months 2016
	\$ 128,000	\$ 117,000
Variance increase (decrease)	\$ 11,000	

The increase in management fees is modest and results from an increased focus on corporate development. The change is well within the expectations of management.

<b>Gain on write-off of related party debt</b> (rounded to the nearest '000)	<b>12 months</b> <b>2017</b>	12 months 2016
	\$ 588,000	\$ -
Variance increase (decrease)	\$ 588,000	

During the year ended 31 December 2017, the CEO forgave the outstanding salary payable resulting in the Company recognizing a gain of \$587,500 from this settlement.

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#### SELECTED ANNUAL INFORMATION

The following table summarizes selected financial data for the Company for each of the three most recently completed financial years. The information set forth below should be read in conjunction with the consolidated audited financial statements, prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and Canadian generally accepted accounting principles as applicable.

Fiscal Year Ended	Dec-17	Dec-16	Dec-15
Income and (Loss) and for the Year	314,338	(272,193)	(474,953)
Gain and (Loss) per Common Share (Basic and Diluted)	0.04	(0.01)	(0.01)
Total Assets	850,627	844,180	1,129,450

#### FINANCIAL DATA FOR THE LAST EIGHT QUARTERS

The following table sets out selected unaudited quarterly financial information of the Company and is derived from the unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements prepared by management. The Company's interim financial statements are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and are expressed in US dollars.

Three Months Ended	IFRS	IFRS	IFRS	IFRS	IFRS	IFRS	IFRS	IFRS
	Dec-17	Sep-17	Jun-17	Mar-17	Dec-16	Sep-16	Jun-16	Mar-16
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Revenues	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gain (Loss) income from continuing operations	(80,793)	(74,447)	(56,546)	526,124	(92,343)	(72,824)	(18,127)	(88,899)
Gain (Loss) income for the period	(80,793)	(74,447)	(56,546)	526,124	(92,343)	(72,824)	(18,127)	(88,899)
Gain (loss) per share (Basic and diluted)	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.01	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)
Total assets	850,627	811,303	831,222	861,720	844,180	899,266	990,489	1,144,469
Working capital (deficit)	(468,846)	(318,877)	(252,462)	(230,667)	(781,717)	(714,748)	(667,155)	(684,209)

The gain in the year ended 31 December 2017 resulted from the recovery of the CEO's salary accruals.

The expenses incurred in the periods ended 31 December 2017 and 31 December 2016 reflect the decrease in expenses as the Company focused on minimizing cash outflows.

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#### EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION EXPENDITURES

	Buckskin Rawhide East		Buckskin Rawhide West		Coegel Property	BC Properties	Total
<b>PROPERTY ACQUISITION COSTS</b>							
<b>Balance at 01 January 2016</b>	\$ 519,052	\$ 50,029	\$ 50,030	\$ 2	\$ 619,113		
Acquisitions	-	30,000	30,000	-	60,000		
Royalty payments received	(85,000)	-	-	-	(85,000)		
<b>Balance at 31 December 2016</b>	\$ 434,052	\$ 80,029	\$ 80,030	\$ 2	\$ 594,113		
<b>Balance at 01 January 2017</b>	\$ 434,052	\$ 80,029	\$ 80,030	\$ 2	\$ 594,113		
Acquisitions	-	30,000	30,000	-	60,000		
Royalty payments received	(110,000)	-	-	-	(110,000)		
<b>Balance at 31 December 2017</b>	\$ 324,052	\$ 110,029	\$ 110,030	\$ 2	\$ 544,113		

	Idaho Maryland	Buckskin Rawhide East	Buckskin Rawhide West	Coegel Property	BC Properties	Other Prospects	Total
<b>EXPLORATION EXPENDITURES</b>							
Claim fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,053	\$ 4,486	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,539
Carrying costs	44,301	-	-	-	-	-	44,301
General property search	4,860	-	-	-	-	-	4,860
<b>Year ended 31 December 2016</b>	\$ 49,161	\$ -	\$ 5,053	\$ 4,486	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 58,700
Claim fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,515	\$ 6,024	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,539
Carrying costs	16,961	-	-	-	-	-	16,961
General property search	-	-	-	-	-	12,055	12,055
<b>Year ended 31 December 2017</b>	\$ 16,961	\$ -	\$ 3,515	\$ 6,024	\$ -	\$ 12,055	\$ 38,555

The Company's current primary focus is to raise funds to complete the initial acquisition of the Golden Arrow Property in Nevada and subsequently conduct exploration on the Property. It also plans to raise fund to advance its other properties in Nevada that are adjacent to or near the operating Rawhide Mine.

The Company has no current exploration plans of its Stewart and Rozan Properties in British Columbia, and impairments have been recorded bringing the carrying value of both Stewart and Rozan property to \$1 each. Emgold is seeking partners to option these properties and advance them to the resource stage.

The Company is also evaluating acquisition opportunities of other assets in the western U.S. and Canada should funding be available.

#### LIQUIDITY

Historically, the Company's main source of funding is and has been the issuance of equity securities for cash, primarily through private placements to sophisticated investors and institutions. The Company has issued common shares and warrants pursuant to private placement financings and the exercise of warrants and options.

The current market conditions, the challenging and inhospitable funding environment and the low price of the Company's common shares make it difficult to raise funds through private placements of shares. In addition, the Company endeavors to minimize dilution to existing shareholders. There is no assurance that the Company will be successful with any financing ventures. Please refer to the "Risks" section of this document.

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As at 31 December 2017, the Company had a working capital deficiency of \$468,846, compared with a working capital deficiency of \$781,717 as at 31 December 2016.

Cash used in operating activities during the year ended 31 December 2017 totaled \$54,085 (31 December 2016 – \$334,461).

Cash raised and (used) from investing activities during the year ended 31 December 2017 totaled \$(813) (31 December 2016 – \$404,705).

The Company had no financing activities during the year under review.

### **CAPITAL RESOURCES**

The Company's continued operations are dependent upon the Company's ability to obtain sufficient financing to carry on planned operations. Currently, the Company does not have sufficient working capital to carry on planned operations, and will have to continue to raise equity capital for future operations. If it is unable to continue to raise sufficient equity capital for continued permitting and corporate overhead, it would have to cease operations.

### **SHARE CAPITAL**

#### **Common shares, issued and fully paid**

The Company received the necessary regulatory approval for a consolidation of the Company's issued and outstanding common shares on a basis of ten pre-consolidation shares for one post-consolidation share. Post-consolidation, the Company had 7,921,206 shares issued and outstanding. The shares began trading on a consolidated basis on 1 September 2017.

As at 31 December 2017 and the date of this report the Company had 8,236,206 common shares for a fully diluted issued and outstanding, including options of 265,000. There were no warrants outstanding as at 31 December 2017.

### **FINANCING ACTIVITIES**

Further financing will continue to be required to advance exploration of Emgold's properties, for potential acquisitions, and for general and administrative costs, in order to complete the permitting process.

### **GOING CONCERN**

The financial statements have been prepared on the basis of the accounting principles applicable to a going concern, which assumes the Company's ability to continue in operation for the foreseeable future and to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of operations.

There are several adverse conditions that cast substantial doubt upon the soundness of this assumption. The Company has negative working capital, has incurred operating losses since inception, has no source of revenue, is unable to self-finance operations and has significant on-going cash requirements to meet its overhead and maintain its mineral interests. Further, the business of mining and exploration involves a high degree of risk and there can be no assurance that current exploration programs will result in profitable mining operations. The recoverability of exploration and evaluation assets is dependent upon several factors. These include the discovery of economically recoverable reserves, the ability of the Company to obtain the necessary financing to complete the development of these properties, and future profitable production or proceeds from disposition of mineral properties.

For the Company to continue to operate as a going concern it must obtain additional financing; there can be no assurance that this will continue in the future. There is no assurance that financing can be obtained to complete the

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acquisition of the Golden Arrow Property in Nevada, complete exploration on its other assets, or to obtain the necessary working capital needed for day to day operation of the Company.

If the going concern assumption were not appropriate for the consolidated financial statements then adjustments would be necessary to the carrying value of assets and liabilities, the reported expenses and the statement of financial position classifications used and such adjustments could be material.

### **PLANS FOR 2018 AND ON-GOING**

On 4 January 2018, the Company announced by press release that it has entered into an amended non-binding letter of intent dated 27 December 2017 to enter into a definitive option agreement with Nevada Sunrise Gold Corporation giving Emgold the right to acquire a 51% interest in the Golden Arrow gold-silver property in Nevada. Conditional approval from the TSX Venture Exchange for this acquisition was announced via press release on 23 January 2018. Emgold intends to complete an equity financing in conjunction with the execution of a definitive option agreement for the Golden Arrow Property. The net proceeds of the Offering would be used to fund the initial acquisition cost of the Golden Arrow Property, to conduct exploration on Golden Arrow and Emgold's other properties, and for general working capital purposes.

The Company plans to raise funds to continue advancing its properties, depending on market conditions and other factors. The Company is also searching for opportunities to acquire other assets that may be available in the current poor mining markets, should financing be available to acquire and advance those.

The Company believes the Buckskin Rawhide East Property is a highly prospective gold-silver exploration property with potential for discovery of high grade and bulk disseminated mineralization. RMC commenced exploration activities on the Buckskin Rawhide East Property in 2013 with the goal of identifying resources that could ultimately be developed and processed at the adjacent Rawhide Mine.

The Company has completed the final acquisition of a 100% interest in its Buckskin Rawhide West Property through the issuance of 214,286 common shares on 15 March 2018. Emgold plans to conduct exploration activities (chip sampling, soil sampling, and geologic mapping) on the Buckskin Rawhide West Property that are not part of the RMC agreement, subject to financing.

The Company has completed the final acquisition of a one hundred percent interest in its Koegel Rawhide Property through the issuance of 214,286 common shares on 15 March 2018. Emgold believes its Koegel Rawhide Property is a highly prospective gold-silver exploration property with potential for high grade and bulk disseminated mineralization. A high grade zone has been identified for core drilling and additional prospects on the property will continue to be investigated, subject to financing.

The Company believes the Stewart and Rozan Properties are highly prospective poly-metallic exploration properties with potential for discovery of molybdenum, tungsten, gold, silver, and other types of mineralization. A number of targets have been identified for continuing exploration, subject to financing. The Company is also seeking partners to option these Properties to advance them to the resource stage.

### **OFF BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS**

The Company has no off balance sheet arrangements.



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#### RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES

The Company's related parties consist of directors, executive officers and companies owned by directors and / or executive officers as follows:

Related parties	Nature of transactions
David Watkinson, CEO	Management fees & share-based awards
A company owned or controlled by Grant T. Smith, CFO	Professional fees
Allen Leschert, Director	Share-based awards
Andrew MacRitchie, Director	Share-based awards
William Witte, Director	Share-based awards

Related party transactions and balances not disclosed elsewhere in the consolidated financial statements are as follows:

#### RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURE

Name and Principal Position	Year <sup>(i)</sup>	Remuneration or fees <sup>(ii)</sup>
CEO and President - management fees	2017	\$ 94,279
	2016	\$ 92,500
Clearline CPA Corp., A company of which the CFO is a director – management fees	2017	\$ 27,760
	2016	\$ 28,153
Clearline CPA Corp., A company of which the CFO is a director – bookkeeping	2017	\$ 6,360
	2016	\$ 7,998

(i) For the years ended 31 December 2017 and 2016.

(ii) Amounts disclosed were paid or accrued to the related party.

The following table reports amounts included in due related parties:

	31 December 2017	31 December 2016
Clearline CPA Corp.	\$ 31,414	\$ 11,177
David Watkinson, the CEO	222,786	688,894
Andrew MacRitchie, Director	4,704	4,235
William Witte, Director	4,704	4,235
	<b>\$ 263,608</b>	<b>\$ 708,541</b>

During the period ended 31 December 2017, the Company signed a promissory note with David Watkinson whereby he advanced \$25,000 to the Company. The promissory note bears interest at a rate of 1% per month, 12% per annum. Interest shall be payable monthly in arrears on the last business day of each calendar month commencing the first full month after the date of the advance.

During the period ended 31 March 2017, the CEO forgave the outstanding salary payable resulting in the Company recognizing a gain of \$587,500 from this settlement.

During year ended 31 December 2016, the CFO forgave the outstanding payable resulting in the Company recognizing a gain of \$31,627 from settlement of accounting and management services.

As at 31 December 2017, Andrew MacRitchie and William Witte loaned the Company CAD\$5,000 each, that bear interest at 1% per month and are repayable on demand.

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All other related party balances are measured at their exchange amount, which is the amount of consideration established and agreed to by the related parties. Amounts due to related parties are unsecured, non-interest bearing and have no fixed term of repayment.

### CRITICAL JUDGMENT IN APPLYING ACCOUNTING POLICIES

In the application of the Company's accounting policies, which are described in note 4 of the annual audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2017, management is required to make judgments, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount and classification of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revisions affect only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods, if the revision affects both current and future periods.

The following are the critical judgments and areas involving estimates, that management have made in the process of applying the Company's accounting policies and that have the most significant effect on the amount recognized in the consolidated financial statements.

#### Going concern assumption

The financial statements have been prepared on the basis of the accounting principles applicable to a going concern, which assumes the Company's ability to continue in operation for the foreseeable future and to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of operations. There are several adverse conditions that cast substantial doubt upon the soundness of this assumption. Refer to note 1 of the consolidated financial statements for more details.

#### Determination of functional currency

In accordance with IAS 21, *The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates*, management determined that the functional currency of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiaries is the US dollar.

#### Assets held for sale

The Company owns land which was part of the Idaho-Maryland Project in Grass Valley, CA. The Company was forced to abandon this Project in February 2013 and has subsequently been selling off this land as real estate. Remaining property in Grass Valley is valued as assets held for sale of \$154,452. The Company assessed that no impairment was necessary on the land that they own is listed for sale at the price higher than the value presented on the Financial Statements.

#### Exploration and evaluation assets

The Company makes certain judgements and assumptions regarding indicators of impairment and the recoverability of the carrying values of exploration and evaluation assets. These assumptions are changed when conditions exist that indicate the carrying value may be impaired, at which time an impairment loss is recorded.

### RECENTLY ADOPTED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

There are no new accounting standards adopted during the current year that have a material impact on the consolidated financial statements.

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#### **FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT**

##### **Financial instrument classification and measurement**

Financial instruments of the Company carried on the Consolidated Statements of Financial Position are carried at amortized cost with the exception of cash and cash equivalents, which is carried at fair value. There are no significant differences between the carrying value of financial instruments and their estimated fair values as at 31 December 2017 and 31 December 2016.

The Company classifies the fair value of these transactions according to the following hierarchy.

- Level 1 – quoted prices in active markets for identical financial instruments.
- Level 2 – quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active; and model-derived valuations in which all significant inputs and significant value drivers are observable in active markets.
- Level 3 – valuations derived from valuation techniques in which one or more significant inputs or significant value drivers are unobservable.

The Company's cash and cash equivalents have been assessed on the fair value hierarchy described above and classified as Level 1. There have been no changes between levels during the period.

##### **Fair values of financial assets and liabilities**

The Company's financial instruments include cash and cash equivalents, amounts receivable, reclamation bonds, due to related parties, and accounts payable and accrued liabilities. As at 31 December 2017 and 31 December 2016, the carrying value of cash and cash equivalents is fair value. Due to/from related parties deposits and accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate their fair value due to their short-term nature.

##### **Market risk**

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices will affect the Company's earnings or the value of its financial instruments. Market risk is comprised of commodity price risk and interest rate risk. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control exposures within acceptable limits, while maximizing returns. The Company is not exposed to significant market risk.

##### **Credit risk**

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation and cause the other party to incur a financial loss. The Company's primary exposure to credit risk is on its bank accounts. The Company's bank accounts are held with major banks in Canada, accordingly the Company believes it is not exposed to significant credit risk.

##### **Interest rate risk**

Interest rate risk is the risk of losses that arise as a result of changes in contracted interest rates. The Company is nominally exposed to interest rate risk.

##### **Currency risk**

Currency risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. To manage this risk the Company maintains only the minimum amount of foreign cash required to fund its on-going exploration expenditures.

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A 5% shift in foreign exchange rates would result in a gain or loss of \$280; accordingly, the Company is not exposed to significant foreign currency risk. At 31 December 2017 the Company held currency totalling the following:

<b>Rounded ('000's)</b>	<b>31 December 2017</b>	<b>31 December 2016</b>
Canadian dollars	\$ 6,000	\$ 19,000
United States dollars	\$ 13,000	\$ 59,000

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk arises through the excess of financial obligations over available financial assets due at any point in time. The Company's objective in managing liquidity risk is to maintain sufficient readily available reserves in order to meet its liquidity requirements at any point in time. As the Company has no significant source of cash flows this is a significant risk.

Management closely monitors the liquidity position and expects to have adequate sources of funding to finance the Company's projects and operations. The Company is dependent on external financing and will be required to raise additional capital in the future to fund its operations.

#### MANAGEMENT'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND DISCLOSURE CONTROLS

The Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures and assessed the design and the operating effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of 31 December 2017. Based on that assessment, management concluded that, as at 31 December 2017, the Company's internal control over financial reporting has effectively provided reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of audited consolidated financial statements for external reporting purposes. There was no change in the Company's internal controls over financial reporting that occurred in the year ended 31 December 2017 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal controls over financial reporting.

#### ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURE FOR VENTURE ISSUERS WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT REVENUE

Consistent with other companies in the mineral exploration industry, Emgold has no source of operating revenue. The Company's 31 December 2017 Audited Consolidated Financial Statements provide a breakdown of the general and administrative expenses for the year under review and an analysis of the capitalized and expensed exploration and development costs incurred on its mineral properties.

#### DISCLOSURE CONTROLS AND INTERNAL CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

Management is responsible for designing, establishing, and maintaining a system of internal controls over financial reporting to provide reasonable assurance that the financial information prepared by the Company for external purposes is reliable and has been recorded, processed, and reported in an accurate and timely manner in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards. Management is also responsible for designing, establishing, and maintaining a system of disclosure controls and procedures. Disclosure controls and procedures are designed to provide reasonable assurance that material items requiring disclosure by the Company are identified and reported in a timely manner. There has been no significant change in disclosure controls or in internal controls over financial reporting during the year ended 31 December 2017 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to affect, the Company's disclosure controls or its internal controls over financial reporting.

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#### **MANAGEMENT OF CAPITAL**

The Company manages its capital structure and makes adjustments to it, based on the funds available to the Company, in order to support the acquisition and exploration of mineral properties. The Board of Directors does not establish quantitative return on capital criteria for management, but rather relies on the expertise of the Company's management to sustain future development of the business. The Company defines capital that it manages as share capital.

Management reviews its capital management approach on an on-going basis and believes that this approach is reasonable and appropriate relative to the size of the Company.

The Company is in the business of mineral exploration and has no source of operating revenue. Operations are financed through the issuance of capital stock or liability instruments, or through the sale of property, plant, and equipment. Capital raised is held in cash in an interest bearing bank account until such time as it is required to pay operating expenses or resource property costs. The Company is not subject to any externally imposed capital restrictions. Its objectives in managing its capital are to safeguard its cash and its ability to continue as a going concern, and to utilize as much of its available capital as possible for exploration activities. The Company's objectives have not changed during the year ended 31 December 2017.

#### **INVESTOR RELATIONS ACTIVITIES**

With respect to investor and public relations, the Company provides information from its corporate offices to investors and brokers through its website and SEDAR without the use of an investor relations firm.

#### **APPROVAL**

The Board of Directors of Emgold Mining Corporation has approved the disclosure contained in this annual MD&A. A copy of this annual MD&A will be provided to anyone who requests it and can be located, along with additional information, on the SEDAR website at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

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#### CAUTION ON FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

This annual MD&A contains "forward-looking statements". These forward-looking statements are made as of the date of this annual MD&A and the Company does not intend, and does not assume any obligation, to update these forward-looking statements.

Forward-looking statements may include, but are not limited to, statements with respect to the ongoing viability of the Company, the Company's ability to raise capital, future remediation and reclamation activities, future mineral exploration, the estimation of mineral reserves and mineral resources, the realization of mineral reserve and mineral resource estimates, the timing of activities and the amount of estimated revenues and expenses, the success of exploration activities, permitting time lines, requirements for additional capital and sources and uses of funds.

Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of the Company to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. Such factors include, among others, risks related to actual results of financing activities, exploration activities; actual results of remediation and reclamation activities; conclusions of economic evaluations; changes in project parameters as plans continue to be refined; future prices of gold and other commodities; the state of capital markets; possible variations in ore reserves, grade or recovery rates; failure of plant, equipment or processes to operate as anticipated; accidents, labour disputes and other risks of the mining industry; delays in obtaining governmental approvals or financing or in the completion of exploration and development activities.

Respectfully submitted

On behalf of the Board of Directors,

"David Watkinson"

David Watkinson

President & CEO