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EMGOLD COMMENCES 3,000 METER DRILL PROGRAM AT ITS RECENTLY OPTIONED CASA SOUTH PROPERTY, QUEBEC

Vancouver, British Columbia - Emgold Mining Corporation (TSXV: EMR) (“**Emgold**” or the “**Company**”) announces it has commenced an exploration program (the “**Program**”) at its recently optioned Casa South Property, QC (the “**Property**”). The Program will consist of 3,000 meters of diamond drilling targeting a high priority area defined as the Kama trend. The Kama Trend – a major gold bearing structure approximately 7 km long by 2 km wide is located just south of the Hecla Mining Corporation’s (NYSE: **HL**) Casa Berardi Mine.

About the Casa South Property

The Property is located approximately 80 kilometers north of the town of La Sarre, Quebec or 105 kilometers west south-west of Matagami in the Casa Berardi township, James Bay Municipality. It is located south of and abutting the Casa Berardi Mine, owned and operated by Hecla. The Property consists of 180 contiguous active mining titles covering a total of 10,061 hectares.

The Property encompasses a lithologic context similar to the Cass Berardi deposit. Its exploration history followed the same stages of evolution over a period of time from the 1960 to 1990 where exploration focused sulfide rich polymetallic deposits similar to the Kidd Creek, Selbaie, or Mattagami deposits discovered in the northern part of the Abitibi belt. Exploration work on the claims was done by companies such as Newmont, Noranda, and Cambior, among others.

Following the discovery of gold close to the Casa Berardi fault in 1981, various geophysical surveys were done on the Property as well as soil and rock chip sampling and drilling looking for similar targets. Over a period of 45 years, about 23,000 meters of drilling was done on the Property in 47 drill holes. A significant database of historic information has been compiled and recent geophysics work has been completed that outlined the three priority targets. Historical results show selective sampling on many holes along the Kama trend where only visible quartz-carbonate veins material was sampled along 5m core intercepts with variable sample preparation procedures.

Emgold management views the exploration target of the Kama Trend as similar to that found at Casa Berardi Mine and Detour Gold Corporation’s (TSX: **DGC**) Detour Gold Mine and has potential for low grade bulk disseminated mineralization. Note that exploration success at Detour Lake Mine or Casa Berardi Mine does not guarantee exploration success on the Casa South Property.

A technical report on the Property, titled “NI 43-101 Technical Report, Casa Sud Property, NTS 32#06/32E11, Northwestern Quebec, Canada” dated March 8, 2019 had been completed and is available on the SEDAR profile of the Company (the “**Technical Report**”).

About Emgold

Emgold is a Vancouver based gold exploration and mine development Company with exploration properties located in the Quebec, Nevada, and British Columbia. These include the Golden Arrow, Buckskin Rawhide East, Buckskin Rawhide West, and Koegel Rawhide properties in Nevada, and option to acquire up to a 91% interest in the Casa South Property in Quebec, and the Stewart and Rozan properties located in British Columbia. The Company has a strategic investment of 3.75 million shares of Troilus Gold Corporation (**TSX: TLG**) who are advancing the Troilus Gold Property in Quebec.

Alain Moreau, P.GEO., a qualified person under the NI 43-101 instrument, has reviewed and approved the content of this press release.

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