TORONTO, ON--(Marketwired - October 02, 2017) - <u>Continental Gold Inc.</u> (TSX: CNL) (OTCQX: CGOOF) ("Continental" or the "Company") is pleased to announce additional results from its 25,000-metre drilling program at its 100%-owned BuriticÃ_i project in Antioquia, Colombia. The Company presently has four diamond drill rigs in operation with four additional rigs scheduled to start drilling over the next few weeks. The focus of the program is to increase and upgrade mineral resources to higher classification categories by testing for high-grade and broad mineralized zones ("BMZ") within the mineral reserve and resource envelopes and testing high-impact targets along strike of existing mineral resources as well as grassroots targets proximal to existing and proposed infrastructure. The Company remains well financed with approximately US\$350 million of available liquidity as of August 31, 2017.

Highlights (referenced in Figures 1, 2 and 3)

- 6.10 metres @ 67.69 g/t gold and 136.8 g/t silver (BUUY320)
- 7.55 metres @ 19.96 g/t gold and 33.5 g/t silver (BUUY321)
- 6.72 metres @ 28.07 g/t gold and 36.8 g/t silver (BUUY322)
- 3.25 metres @ 51.76 g/t gold and 95.3 g/t silver (BUUY324)
- 7.85 metres @ 39.13 g/t gold and 44.2 g/t silver (BUUY326)

"Our team continues to do excellent work targeting areas within the mineral reserves for high precious metal grades. In particular, we are extremely pleased with the results as the intercepts reported herein average almost 200% more precious metals than the current mineral resource block model estimate for the corresponding areas in the YaraguÃ_i deposit," commented Ari Sussman, CEO. "With the infill drilling campaign in this area complete, the drill will be mobilized to a new chamber to resume testing for broad mineralized zones and infilling other parts of the YaraguÃ_i deposit."

Details: YaraguÃ; Drill Results and Planned Trial Mining Stope

A fan of 10 underground diamond drill holes from a chamber located off a ramp in the YaraguÃ_i vein system were completed, the results of which are reported in Table 1. Although the drill holes were not targeting a potential BMZ in the YaraguÃ_i deposit, the precious metal grades and widths are in aggregate 193% higher than the current mineral resource block model estimate for this specific area of the YaraguÃ_i deposit. Furthermore, the drilling successfully confirmed the continuity of the vein system.

In addition, the objective of the drilling program was also to infill the HW2 vein in this location of the YaraguÃ_i deposit for the purpose of estimating a local area mineral resource prior to extracting a mechanized long-hole trial mining test stope (see Figure 1). The Company will release further details of the upcoming trial mining test in the near term.

Table 1: YaraguÃi Drill Results

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	From		•	ot Gold*		r** Vein	Elevation		
Hole ID	(m)	(m)	Interval	* (g/t)	(g/t)	Domain	(m)		
			(m)						
BUUY319	24.30	27.70	3.40	13.80	28.1	NWSE3	1522		
incl	26.25	27.70	1.45	26.45	55.9				
BUUY319	31.60	33.20	1.60	4.25	4.3	FWV11	1520		
BUUY319	47.85	48.75	0.90	13.90	10.3	SA12	1515		
BUUY319	52.50	53.00	0.50	8.71	19.1	HWV2	1514		
BUUY319	62.00	63.40	1.40	2.27	7.3	HWV1	1510		
BUUY319	64.80	65.35	0.55	3.30	3.4		1510		
BUUY319	82.50	84.60	2.10	20.82	17.8	SOF10	1504		
incl	83.60	84.60	1.00	39.19	32.3				
BUUY319	100.80	104.5	5 3.75	15.17	6.1	C10	1497		
incl	100.80) 101.9	0 1.10	39.00	7.7				
BUUY320	14.80	16.00	1.20	4.56	3.3		1529		
BUUY320	18.30	19.00	0.70	10.45	4.3	VND10	1529		
BUUY320	22.60	23.40	0.80	1.12	6.3		1529		
BUUY320	27.25	27.80			4.4		1529		
BUUY320		31.45		19.25	3.9	NWSE3	1529		
BUUY320		42.10		67.69	136.8	FWV11+SA			
incl	36.00	37.00		49.37	67.1				
incl	39.00	40.50		235.68		SA12***			
BUUY320		52.50			16.7	HWV1+HW	V2 1528		
incl	48.90	50.00		27.23	52.1		1020		
BUUY320		55.20			11.4		1528		
2001020	54.10	00.20	1.10	1.00			1020		

BUUY320	76.75	78.60) 1.8	35 5.67	5.5	SOF10	1528
BUUY321 BUUY321	22.45 32.60	23.10 33.70		65 3.36 10 8.34			1527 1525
BUUY321	36.00	43.55		55 19.9			
incl	40.55	42.40		35 70.5			
BUUY321		49.30	0.5	50 4.09	6.0		1523
incl	52.50	53.90) 1.4	40 14.6	2 11.	1 HWV2**	**
BUUY321	62.60	63.10	0.5	50 3.32	4.4		1522
BUUY321	69.20	70.40) 1.2	20 4.78	7.6	HWV1	1521
BUUY321	79.45	82.65	5 3.2	20 4.10	4.5	SOF10	1520
BUUY322		20.45		50 3.13			1530
BUUY322		43.52		72 28.0			+5A12
incl incl	38.30 41.50	39.35 43.00)5 116. 50 34.1			r.
BUUY322		43.00 58.20		25 4.22	9 74. 16.		1531
incl	54.95	56.10	-	15 4.22 15 7.46			1531
BUUY322		61.45		65 7.40 65 6.27			1531
BUUY322		94.35		50 6.91	7.6	-	1532
BUUY322				55 32.6		C40	1532
BUUY322)5 2.16	8.4	C40 CB18	1535
DUU1322	121.90	125.0	0 5.0	5 2.10	0.4	CDIO	1554
BUUY323	16.55	17.20) 0.6	65 13.0	0 3.6	VND09	1526
BUUY323		26.15		70 5.93	7.1	VND10	1523
BUUY323		27.80		50 12.1		NWSE3	
BUUY323					3.4		1522
BUUY323						FWV11	1520
BUUY323					9.2	SA12 + H\	
incl		42.90			10.5	SA12***	
BUUY323					8.7	••••	1518
BUUY323					12.5	HWV1	1517
BUUY323			1.65		6.0	SOF10	1513
	79.30		1.00		2.8		1510
BUUY323			1.00	12.49	5.5	C10	1509
BUUY324	15 40	15 90	0.50	7 11	2.8	VNAD9	1526
BUUY324					1.8	110.00	1526
BUUY324						VND10	1525
BUUY324					95.3		
						+NWS3	
incl	37.75	38.80	1.05	4.93	11.7	NWSE3	1522
incl					293.8	FWV11+S	
BUUY324					6.5		1520
BUUY324	61.60	62.65	1.05	3.85	7.8	HWV2	1517
BUUY324	65.10	65.60	0.50	3.34	4.3		1516
BUUY324	71.50	78.50	7.00	2.89	10.9	HWV1	1514
incl	76.40	78.50	2.10	4.69	13.8		
DUUN	47.00	10.10	4.00	0.40	0.0		1 = 0 0
BUUY325					2.2		1532
BUUY325					11.1	VND10	1532
BUUY325					6.8	NWSE3	1532
BUUY325					5.3	FWV11	1533
BUUY325					28.1	SA12	
incl				10.08	43.3		
BUUY325	49.20	55.95	6.75	2.32	6.1	HWV2+NV	V2 1535
BUUY326	13.00	14.55	1.55	2.71	1.8	VNAD9	1525
BUUY326						VND10	1524
BUUY326					3.7		1523
BUUY326	35.45	43.30	7.85	39.13	44.2	FWV11 +S	SA12
incl	38.50	39.75	1.25	40.30	2.6		1516
	42.30	43.30	1.00	245.64	304.2	SA12***	
BUUY326					7.3	HWV2	1512
incl	47.35	48.65	1.30	9.28	7.8		1513

BUUY326 BUUY326 BUUY326 BUUY326 BUUY326	63.30 74.65 81.00	65.90 79.80 82.10	2.60 5.15 1.10	3.30 3.32 2.48	3.4 9.4 9.2 8.6 6.6	NW2 HWV1 SOF10 C11	1508 1507 1502 1501 1500
BUUY327 BUUY327 BUUY327 <i>incl</i> BUUY327 BUUY327 BUUY327 BUUY327	15.73 41.45 42.80 <i>45.20</i> 49.70 52.20 57.50	16.30 46.85 44.20 <i>4</i> 6.35 50.35 54.10 59.15	0.57 5.40 1.40 <i>1.15</i> 0.65 1.90 1.65	6.42 13.91 28.47 26.03 26.70 4.52 2.18	6.7 22.3 44.6 38.3 6.9 12.7 4.4	VND10 FWV11 +SA12 FWV11***	1528 1526 <i>1517</i> 1516 1515 1514 1512
BUUY328 BUUY328 <i>incl</i> BUUY328 BUUY328 BUUY328	40.30 42.30 48.00 56.67	40.80 44.20 49.40 58.10	0.50 1.90 1.40 1.43	3.96 42.36 11.30 4.27	2.6 96.2 22.1 2.8	FWV11 SA12***	1527 1526 1525 1525 1524

• Intercepts calculated at a composite 1 g/t gold equivalent (70:1 Au/Ag) for minimum intervals of 0.5 metres, with up to 20% internal dilution. True widths are estimated to be between 75-100%.

• Grades herein are reported as uncapped values.

• Certain drill holes went through narrow mined-out tunnels and, for those intersections, precious metal grades from either the May 2015 NP 43- 101 mineral resource block model or channel sampling results previously announced were incorporated into the overall interval. If neither were available, a grade of nil was assigned.

Note: Drill holes designated "BUUY" were collared from underground.

Geological Description of the BuriticÃi Project

Continental's 100%-owned, 70,764-hectare project, BuriticÃ_i, contains several known areas of high-grade gold and silver mineralization, of base metal carbonate-style ("Stage I") variably overprinted by texturally and chemically distinctive high-grade ("Stage II") mineralization. The two most extensively explored of these areas (the YaraguÃ_i and Veta Sur systems) are central to this land package. The YaraguÃ_i system has been drill-outlined along 1,100 metres of strike and 1,700 vertical metres and partially sampled in underground developments. The Veta Sur system has been drill-outlined along 1,000+ metres of strike and 1,800 vertical metres and has been partially sampled in underground developments. Both systems are characterized by multiple, steeply-dipping veins and broader, more disseminated mineralization and both remain open at depth and along strike, at high grades.

Technical Information

Mauricio Castañeda, Vice-President, Exploration of the Company and a qualified person for the purpose of NI 43-101, has prepared or supervised the preparation of, or approved, as applicable, the technical information contained in this press release.

The Company utilizes a rigorous, industry-standard QA/QC program. HQ and NQ core is sawn or split with one- half shipped to a sample preparation lab in MedellÃn run by ALS Colombia Limited ("ALS") in Colombia, whereas BQ core samples are full core. Samples are then shipped for analysis to an ALS-certified assay laboratory in Lima, Peru. The remainder of the core is stored in a secured storage facility for future assay verification. Blanks, duplicates and certified reference standards are inserted into the sample stream to monitor laboratory performance and a portion of the samples are periodically check assayed at SGS Colombia S.A., a certified assay laboratory in MedellÃn, Colombia.

The Company does not receive assay results for drill holes in sequential order; however, all significant assay results are publicly reported. A listing of assay results to date for the BuriticÃ_i project is available on the Company's website at www.continentalgold.com.

For information on the BuriticÃ_i project, please refer to the technical report, prepared in accordance with NI 43-101, entitled "BuriticÃ_i Project NI 43-101 Technical Report Feasibility Study, Antioquia, Colombia" and dated March 29, 2016 with an effective date of February 24, 2016, led by independent consultants JDS Energy & Mining Inc. The technical report is available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com, on the OTCQX at www.otcmarkets.com and on the Company website at www.continentalgold.com. <u>Continental Gold Inc.</u> is an advanced-stage exploration and development company with an extensive portfolio of 100%-owned gold projects in Colombia. Formed in April 2007, the Company - led by an international management team with a successful track record of discovering and developing large high-grade gold deposits in Latin America -- is focused on advancing its fully-permitted high-grade BuriticÃ_i gold project to production with first gold pour on track for early 2020. Additional details on Continental Gold's suite of gold exploration properties are also available at www.continentalgold.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains or refers to forward-looking information under Canadian securities legislation, including statements regarding timing of a production decision, advancing the BuriticA; project, exploration results, potential mineralization, potential development of mine openings, potential improvement of mining dilution grades, increasing the drill program and amount of equipment and exploration and mine development plans and is based on current expectations that involve a number of significant business risks and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements are subject to other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from expected results. Readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from any forward-looking statement include, but are not limited to, an inability to advance the BuriticAi project to the next level, failure to convert estimated mineral resources to reserves, capital and operating costs varying significantly from estimates, the preliminary nature of metallurgical test results, delays in obtaining or failures to obtain required governmental, environmental or other project approvals, political risks, uncertainties relating to the availability and costs of financing needed in the future, changes in equity markets, inflation, changes in exchange rates, fluctuations in commodity prices, delays in the development of projects and the other risks involved in the mineral exploration and development industry. Specific reference is made to the most recent Annual Information Form on file with Canadian provincial securities regulatory authorities for a discussion of some of the factors underlying forward-looking statements. All the forward-looking statements made in this press release are qualified by these cautionary statements, and are made as of the date hereof. The Company assumes no responsibility to update them or revise them to reflect new events or circumstances other than as required by law.

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This press release was prepared in accordance with Canadian standards, which differ in some respects from United States standards. In particular, and without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the terms "inferred mineral resources," "indicated mineral resources," "measured mineral resources" and "mineral resources" that may be used or referenced in this press release are Canadian mining terms as defined in accordance with National Instrument 43-101 - Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects under the guidelines set out in the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum (the "CIM") Standards on Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves (the "CIM Standards"). The CIM Standards differ significantly from standards in the United States. While the terms "mineral resource," "measured mineral resources," and "inferred mineral resources," and "inferred mineral resources," and "inferred mineral resources," and "inferred by Canadian regulations, they are not defined terms under standards in the United States. "Inferred mineral resources" have a great amount of uncertainty as to their existence, and great uncertainty as to their economic and legal feasibility. It cannot be assumed that all or any part of an inferred mineral resource will ever be upgraded to a higher category. Under Canadian securities laws, estimates of inferred mineral resources may not form the basis of feasibility or other economic studies. Readers are cautioned not to assume that all or any part of measured or indicated mineral resource exists, or is economically or legally mineable. Disclosure of "contained ounces" in a resource is permitted disclosure under Canadian regulations; however, United States companies are only permitted to report mineralization that does not constitute "reserves" by standards in the United States as in place tonnage and grade without reference to unit measures. Accordingly, information regarding resources contained or referenced in this press release containing descriptions of our mineral deposits may not

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