Equinox Gold Announces Positive Drill Results from Tatajuba Target at Aurizona

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VANCOUVER, Sept. 05, 2018 - <u>Equinox Gold Corp</u>. (TSX-V: EQX, OTC: EQXFF) (“Equinox Gold” or “the Company”) is pleased to announce positive exploration drill results from the Tatajuba target (“Tatajuba”) at the Company’s 100%-owned Aurizona Gold Mine (“Aurizona”) in Brazil.

Tatajuba is the western extension of the main Piaba Trend that hosts Aurizona. Previous exploration work has defined a target more than 4 kilometres in length. This drill program focused on a 600-metre ("m") long portion of Tatajuba where historical drilling identified significant gold mineralization in the shallow saprolite zone. Each of the 12 drill holes (1,804 m) intersected the gold zone, extending gold mineralization to depths up to 150 m from surface and confirming continuity of mineralization into the deeper fresh rock.

Tatajuba Drill Highlights

- 1.25 grams per tonne gold ("g/t Au") over 44.0 m and 4.37 g/t Au over 38 m in hole D644
- 1.36 g/t Au over 37.0 m in hole D645
- 1.17 g/t Au over 29.0 m and 2.06 g/t Au over 5.0 m in hole D646
- 1.96 g/t Au over 35.0 m in hole D647
- 1.11 g/t Au over 22.2 m in hole D648
- 2.18 g/t Au over 8.0 m in hole D650
- 1.42 g/t Au over 19.0 m in hole D651
- 2.55 g/t Au over 10.4 m, 1.07 g/t Au over 9.8 m, and 1.66 g/t Au over 6.0 m in hole D652
- 1.11 g/t Au over 28.4 m in hole D653
- 2.09 g/t Au over 20.0 m in hole D654
- For a map of Tatajuba drill results, click here
- For two cross sections of Tatajuba drill holes, click here
- For a table of Tatajuba drill results, click here

&Idquo;Tatajuba drilling has delivered excellent results with continuity and grades typical of the Piaba gold deposit," said Scott Heffernan, EVP Exploration for Equinox Gold. &Idquo;Only about 15% of the 4-kilometre-long target has been tested to date, highlighting the potential for significant resource expansion along strike from existing reserves and confirming our belief in the potential of the Aurizona camp."

Gold mineralization at Tatajuba is characteristically the same as that at the Piaba gold deposit that is currently being mined. North-northeast crosscutting structures appear to enhance gold grades and add a new structural control in this portion of the Piaba Trend. The Aurizona exploration team is undertaking detailed surface mapping to integrate with oriented core data collected during this recent program to update the Tatajuba structural model and plan for additional exploration in 2019.

On behalf of the Board of Equinox Gold Corp.

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CEO & Director

About Equinox Gold

Equinox Gold is a Canadian mining company with a multi-million-ounce gold resource base and near-term

and growing gold production from two past-producing mines. Construction is well advanced at the Company's Aurizona Gold Mine in Brazil with the target of pouring gold by year-end 2018, and the Company is advancing its Castle Mountain Gold Mine in California with the objective of commissioning Stage 1 operations by the end of 2019. Further information about Equinox Gold's current portfolio of assets and long-term growth strategy is available at www.equinoxgold.com or by email at ir@equinoxgold.com.

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Scott Heffernan, M.Sc., P.Geo., the Company's EVP Exploration and Qualified Person under National Instrument 43-101, has reviewed and verified that the technical information contained in this news release is accurate and approves the written disclosure of the same. Drill composites were calculated using cut-off values of 0.3 g/t, 1.0 g/t or 5.0 g/t gold as specified in the drill table and contain no more than 5 metres of internal waste. Drill intersections are calculated using uncut assays and are reported as drilled thicknesses. True widths of the mineralized intervals are interpreted to be 60 to 90 percent of the reported lengths. All samples were submitted to ALS Chemex in Belo Horizonte, Brazil for sample preparation. Sample pulps were then sent to ALS Chemex in Lima, Peru for geochemical analysis for gold by fire assay of a 30-gram charge with an Atomic Absorption finish (AA) and for a 33 multi-element geochemical suite by 4-acid digestion and Inductively-Coupled Mass Spectrometry (ICP-MS). Samples with AA gold values over 10.0 g/t are re-assayed by Screen Metallics fire assay. Control samples (accredited standards, blanks and duplicate samples at the field and preparation stages) were inserted on a regular basis. Results were monitored upon receipt of assays.

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