Royal Road Minerals Announces Drilling Results and Provides an Exploration Update for Its Guintär-Niverengo Gold Project; Colombia

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Toronto, September 29, 2020 - <u>Royal Road Minerals Ltd.</u> (TSXV: RYR) ("Royal Road" or the "Company") is pleased to announce drilling results and provide an exploration update for its Guintär-Niverengo and Margaritas (GNM) gold project in Antioquia, Colombia.

The GNM project area comprises two contiguous concession contracts and one title application area located in the Anza mining district, approximately 50 Km west of Medellin. The titles were acquired through the Company's purchase of Northern Colombia Holdings Limited, an affiliate of AngloGold Ashanti Limited (see Press Release May 31, 2019). The GNM area is subject to a Strategic Alliance Agreement between the Company and Mineros S.A. ("Mineros"; see Press Release March 2, 2020). Under the terms of the Agreement, Mineros may acquire a 50% interest in the GNM project by providing USD \$2.5M of exploration funding. Royal Road Minerals are operators of the Strategic Alliance.

AngloGold-Ashanti ("AGA") commenced work on the project area in 2015 and completed two scout drilling campaigns for a total of 5662 meters. The Guintär title area covers an artisanal mining district with more than 50 known historic underground adits developed on steeply-dipping, east-west oriented gold mineralized vein structures. AGA's 8-hole, scout-drilling program at Guintär targeted steeply-dipping sheeted vein structures and returned best results of; GUI-DD-009, 28 meters at 0.9 grams per tonne and GUI-DD-006, 12 meters at 1.8 grams per tonne gold (not true width). Outcrop on the neighboring Niverengo title area is limited and so AGA's drilling was focused on a 2000 by 800 meter wide target zone identified primarily using geophysical data and soil geochemical results. Best intersections were from NIV-DD-003, 36m @ 1.2g/t gold from surface and NIV-DD-004, 10m @ 1.6g/t gold and 88m @ 0.9g/t gold.

Royal Road has completed an initial 1179m diamond drilling program focused on the Niverengo title area. Drilling intersected skarn-style mineralization hosted primarily in folded calc-silicate sedimentary rocks and crosscutting east-west oriented pyrrhotite vein and breccia bodies with elevated gold, silver and copper (see Table 1: Intersections are not true widths and the Company does not have sufficient information to make a determination of the true widths of the drill hole intersections of the mineralized zones). Best results are:

- NIV-DDH-007 14 meters at 4.1 grams per tonne gold equivalent^[1]
- NIV-DDH-008 10 meters at 2.3 grams per tonne gold equivalent
- NIV-DDH-010 18 meters at 1.9 grams per tonne gold equivalent; and
- 21.5 meters at 1.3 grams per tonne gold equivalent
- NIV-DDH-015 10.8 meters at 3.4 grams per tonne gold equivalent

At Niverengo gold mineralization is related to garnet, pyroxene skarn alteration and pyrrhotite vein and breccia bodies. Recent multi-element geochemical vector studies have identified that this assemblage may be laterally and vertically distal from the primary gold source. This implies that further drilling should target deeper, probably intrusion or porphyry-related, vein or breccia bodies identified in the vector study as possibly east-west oriented "metal domain" hot spots to the west at the Guintär title area and elsewhere throughout the project (see Figure 1).

Figure 1

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"The results of this initial drilling program are encouraging and when combined with existing geochemical

information, they have assisted us in identifying regions where deeper drilling, targeting potentially underlying larger-scale intrusion-related gold systems, is required," said Tim Coughlin, Royal Road Minerals President and CEO. "Our plan for the GNM project now is to complete further field-based studies and refine our drill targeting. At the same time, we are working with the Secretary of Mines in Antioquia in order that the nearby Margaritas title application may be converted to a Concession Contract before we return with the drill rig to conclusively test all targets in the GNM area sometime in early 2021."

Table 1

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^[1] See Table 1 for gold equivalent calculations: DDH-007 14m at 392.7 grams per tonne silver

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