McEwen Mining Closes Flow-Through Financing

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TORONTO, Dec. 31, 2020 - McEwen Mining Inc. (NYSE: MUX) (TSX: MUX) is pleased to announce that it has closed its previously announced non-brokered private placement, issuing 7,669,900 common shares of the Corporation on a flow-through basis (the "FT Shares") at a price per share of CDN \$1.63 per FT Share for total gross proceeds of CDN\$12,500,000.

Rob McEwen commented: "These funds will be used for exploration to facilitate the rapid expansion of our discoveries at Stock and Grey Fox, which are key elements in our plans for growing the Fox Complex annual gold production to 100,000-150,000 oz over a 10-year mine life.

The Stock West discovery is a broad system of green carbonate-hosted gold mineralization, with limits that remain unconstrained. Our drilling at Stock has three objectives: 1. Expand the known mineralization down plunge along strike, 2. Test for a connection between Stock West and the Stock mine, and 3. Support starting to dewater and re-access the Stock Mine in H2 2021.

The deepest intersection at Stock West is 7.7 g/t Au over 25 m, at a depth of 550 m (Dec. 11, 2019 press release, hole #106). The deepest intersection under the former Stock Mine, at a depth of 950 m, encountered similar alteration and mineralization with visible gold and had an assay value of 18.0 g/t Au over 9.1 m (Sep. 4, 2019 press release, hole #95). The projected down plunge distance between these two drill results is 500 m.

In addition, testing to expand the Grey Fox resources is continuing. Drilling will focus on the Gibson, Whiskey Jack, and South zones. Intersections at Whiskey Jack have confirmed highgrade gold mineralization over significant true widths, including 53 g/t Au over 6.7 m. (Feb. 5, 2020 press release, hole 19GF-1293). This intersection offers good potential for the discovery of a new high-grade deposit, that could contribute to the growth of our existing resources at Grey Fox. The Indicated category resources at Grey Fox are currently 888,000 gold ounces at an average grade of 7.1 g/t (May 19, 2020 press release)."

The proceeds from the sale of FT Shares will be used for expenditures that qualify as Canadian Exploration Expenses (CEE) within the meaning of the Income Tax Act (Canada). The Company will renounce such CEE expenditures with an effective date of no later than December 31, 2020.

The Common Shares issued will be subject to a four month hold period in Canada.

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TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Technical information pertaining to geology and exploration contained in this news release has been prepared under the supervision of Ken Tylee, P.Geo. Mr. Tylee is Qualified Person as defined by Canadian Securities Administrators National Instrument 43-101 "Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects."

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McEwen Mining is a diversified gold and silver producer and explorer focused in the Americas with operating mines in Nevada, Canada, Mexico and Argentina. It also owns a large copper deposit in Argentina.

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