

# Northern Lion Continues to Expand Near Surface Gold Mineralization at St. Nik Project, Republic of Cyprus

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA -- ([Marketwire](#) - June 21, 2011) - [Northern Lion Gold Corp.](#) (the "Company" or "Northern Lion") (TSX VENTURE:NL) (FRANKFURT:N3E) has received the final assays from the 2011 drilling program at the St. Nik project, Cyprus. Drill holes 11SN01 and 11SN04 were the last holes to be analysed and were initially considered to have missed the mineralized zone at St. Nik due to structural displacement. Hole 11SN01 encountered gold mineralization from 4.9 metres below surface to 27.50 metres grading 1.32 grams per tonne ("g/t") gold over 22.6 metres. Hole 11SN04 encountered 15.5 metres grading 0.77 g/t gold including 8.5 metres of 1.24 g/t gold starting at 8.05m.

The St. Nik drill holes targeted geophysical anomalies generated by the 2011 Induced Polarization ("IP") survey, surface geochemical sampling, and followed up on limited historical reports. This initial seven hole drill program totaling 541.1 metres appears to outline a continuous near surface mineralized horizon which remains open to the south, west and north. This occurrence represents a younger mineralizing event than the typical Cyprus style VHMS deposits which are dominantly hosted within the Lower Pillow Lava sequence. A drill hole location map is available on the Company's website ([www.northernliongold.com](http://www.northernliongold.com)).

The table below contains all of the significant intercepts at St. Nik.

Hole #	From	To	Interval	Au g/t	Ag g/t	Cu %	
11SN01	4.90	27.50	22.6	1.32	4.24	0.23	0
11SN02	10.1	38.7	28.6	4.5	19.08	1.04	0
	incl and	24.9	37.2	12.3	5.8	26.76	1.46
		24.9	31.9	7.0	7.56	36.44	1.7
11SN03	18.45	65.4	47.0	0.56	7.81	0.1	0
	incl	46.9	59.4	12.5	1.39	21.44	0.1
11SN04	8.05	23.5	15.5	0.77	0.12	0.16	0
	incl	8.05	16.55	8.5	1.24	0.1	0.18
11SN05	49.4	90.8	41.4	0.89	4.2	0.29	0.1
	incl	50.8	57.4	6.6	4.77	19.34	0.51
11SN06	35.45	41	5.6	0.72	21.47	0.1	0.19
11SN07**							

\*\* No significant assays

## History

The history of mineral exploitation (copper, gold and other metals) on the island of Cyprus dates back to the Bronze Age, approximately 5,000 years ago. The Phoenicians were the first to process copper on the island, followed by the Romans and this activity has continued to the present day. The evidence of this long history of mining is readily observed in the abundant ancient surface and underground workings along with extensive slag heaps. Mineral exploration in the Republic of Cyprus has been at a very low level over the last few decades, and management believes that there is a high probability of additional massive sulphide bodies being present that did not outcrop, as nearly all of the known deposits did.

The metal deposits of Cyprus are dominantly copper-bearing volcanogenic hosted massive sulphide "VHMS" deposits. These deposits are hosted within the pillow lava sequence of the Troodos Ophiolite Complex. The pillow lava sequence is divided into Upper and Lower Pillow Lavas, with the majority of massive sulphide bodies located along the contact between pillow lava sequences, and the remainder between the Lower Pillow Lavas and the Basal Group. All of the Company's applications overlie these important contacts. Gold mineralization associated with the massive sulphide ores has not historically been evaluated.

## Quality Control and Assurance

The Company's field activities in Cyprus are under the direction of Jim Chapman, P.Geo. (BC), consultant to

the Company and "qualified person", as defined by National Instrument 43-101, who is responsible for the technical content of this news release.

### About Northern Lion

Northern Lion Gold Corp. is a Canadian mineral exploration company, listed on the TSX Venture Exchange and the Frankfurt Exchange. The Company is committed to building a strong portfolio of projects within mining-friendly and infrastructure-rich areas of Europe.

In addition to its exploration permits in Cyprus, the Company holds a 100% interest in its Moura Licence in Portugal and a 100% interest in one project in the historic Bergslagen mining district of southern Sweden.

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John Lando  
President

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