Allied Gold Mining Plc - Results of Shareholder Meetings

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ALLIED GOLD MINING PLC

RECOMMENDED ACQUISITION OF ALLIED GOLD MINING PLC BY ST BARBARA LIMITED RESULTS OF SHAREHOLDER MEETINGS BOARD CHANGE

Allied Gold Mining PLC ("Allied Gold" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that at the Court and General Meetings convened earlier today Allied Gold Shareholders approved all the resolutions proposed at both meetings by the requisite majorities in respect of the proposed acquisition by St Barbara Limited ("St Barbara") of the entire issued and to be issued share capital of the Company (the "Acquisition") which is being implemented by way of a scheme of arrangement under Part 26 of the Companies Act 2006 (the "Scheme"). Full details of the Scheme were set out in the circular to Shareholders dated 18 July 2012 (the Scheme Circular).

Mark Caruso, Chairman of Allied Gold, said "We are delighted to have received the overwhelming support from our shareholders for this transaction and look forward to its successful completion and to creating, as part of St Barbara, a leading diversified, mid-tier gold company".

Court Meeting

The first meeting, convened in accordance with the order of the Court (the "Court Meeting"), sought approval from Scheme Shareholders for the Scheme.

The resolution proposed at the Court Meeting was decided on a poll. A majority in number of Scheme Shareholders who voted (either in person or by proxy), representing 99.98 per cent. by value of those Scheme Shares voted, voted in favour of the resolution to approve the Scheme. Accordingly, the resolution proposed at the Court Meeting was duly passed on a poll vote. Details of the votes cast are as follows:

					No. of Scheme
	No. of	% of	No. of	% of	Shares voted as
	Scheme	Scheme	Scheme	Scheme	a % of the issued
	Shareholders	Shareholders	Shares	Shares	share capital of
	who voted	who voted	voted	voted	the Company
FOR	87	92.55	147,955,228	99.98	72.41
AGAINST	7	7.45	34,387	0.02	0.02

Allied Gold General Meeting

The Allied Gold General Meeting sought approval for a special resolution proposed to approve implementation of the Scheme, to approve the reduction of the capital of the Company and to approve certain other related matters as set out in the Scheme Circular. The special resolution was decided on a poll and duly passed. Details of the votes cast are as follows:

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	No. of	% of	No. of		
	Allied Gold	Allied Gold	Allied Gold		
	Shares	Shares	Shares voted		
	Voted at the	Voted at the	as a % of the issued share		
	meeting	meeting	capital of the Company		
FOR	144,757,413	99.98	70.85		
AGAINST	31,081	0.02	0.01		
TOTAL VOTE	144,788,494	100	70.86		
(excl. WITHHELD)					
WITHHELD	577,973		0.28		

In accordance with Listing Rule 9.6.2R, a copy of the special resolution passed at the General Meeting has been submitted to the National Storage Mechanism and will shortly be available for inspection at www.hemscott.com/nsm.do.

Board Change

In the light of shareholder approval of the Scheme and the impending completion of the Acquisition, the Company also announces that Mr Frank Terranova has decided to accelerate his departure from the Group and is stepping down as Chief Executive with effect from 15 August 2012.

Next steps

Completion of the Acquisition remains subject to the satisfaction or (if capable of waiver) waiver of the remaining Conditions, including the sanction of the Scheme and confirmation of the associated capital reduction by the High Court of Justice of England and Wales. The Board and senior management of Allied Gold look forward to working closely with St Barbara as both companies approach the integration planning phase of the Acquisition over the coming weeks.

The date of the Court hearing to sanction the Scheme and confirm the reduction of capital is expected to be on 30 August 2012.

It is intended that dealings in Allied Gold Shares will be suspended at 6.00 p.m. on 29 August 2012. The last day of trading in Allied Gold CDIs on the ASX is intended to be 31 August 2012.

If the Court sanctions the Scheme and confirms the reduction of capital it is intended that St Barbara will procure that Allied Gold makes applications to: (i) cancel the listing of Allied Gold Shares on the UKLA's Official List, (ii) cancel trading in Allied Gold Shares on the London Stock Exchange's Main Market for listed securities and in Allied Gold CDIs on the ASX, and (iii) de-list the Allied Gold Shares from the Toronto Stock Exchange, with such cancellations/de-listings in each case to take effect on or as soon as practicable after 7 September 2012.

Settlement of the consideration to which any holder of Scheme Shares is entitled will be effected as soon as practicable after the date on which the Scheme becomes effective and in any event not later than 14 days after that date. It is currently anticipated that the admission of the St Barbara Consideration Shares to trading on the ASX will take effect by 8.00 a.m. on 13 September 2012. Despatch of cheques in respect of the Cash Consideration or settlement through CREST is expected to occur by 13 September 2012.

The dates stated above are indicative only and will depend, among other things, on the dates upon which the Court sanctions the Scheme and confirms the associated reduction of capital and the date on which the Conditions are satisfied or (if capable of waiver) waived. If any of the times and/or dates above change, the revised times and/or dates will be notified to Allied Gold Shareholders by announcement through a Regulatory Information Service.

Other

Terms and expressions in this announcement shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the same meanings as given to them in the Scheme Circular.

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Offer is being made solely by means of the Scheme Document, which contains the full terms and conditions of the Offer. Allied Gold and St Barbara urge Allied Gold Shareholders to read the Scheme Document which has been distributed to Scheme Shareholders (with the exception of certain Excluded Overseas Shareholders), as it contains important information relating to the Offer.

This announcement does not constitute a prospectus or prospectus equivalent document.

This announcement has been prepared for the purpose of complying with English law and the City Code and the information disclosed may not be the same as that which would have been disclosed if this announcement had been prepared in accordance with the laws of jurisdictions outside the United Kingdom.

Overseas shareholders

The availability of the Offer to Allied Gold Shareholders who are not resident in the United Kingdom, Australia or the United States or not located in Canada may be affected by the laws of the relevant jurisdictions in which they are located or of which they are resident.

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Further details in relation to overseas Allied Gold Shareholders are contained in the Scheme Document.

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No securities regulatory authority in any Canadian jurisdiction has (a) approved or disapproved of the Offer; (b) passed upon the merits or fairness of the Offer; or (c) passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of the disclosure in this announcement. Any representation to the contrary is an offence in Canada.

Any securities to be offered pursuant to the Offer as described in this announcement have not been and will not be registered under the US Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), or under the securities laws of any state, district or other jurisdiction of the United States, or of Canada, Australia or Japan. Accordingly, such

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Copies of this announcement and formal documentation relating to the Offer will not be and must not be, mailed or otherwise forwarded, distributed or sent in, into or from any jurisdiction where to do so would violate the laws of that jurisdiction.

Publication on website

A copy of this announcement will be made available, free of charge subject to certain restrictions relating to persons resident in Restricted Jurisdictions, at www.stbarbara.com.au and www.alliedgold.com.au by no later than 12 noon (London time) on the Business Day following the date of this announcement.

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