

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA--(Marketwired - Nov 25, 2015) - [B2Gold Corp.](#) (TSX:BTO)(NYSE MKT:BTG)(NAMIBIAN:B2G) ("B2Gold" or the "Company"), is pleased to report that the official ground-breaking of the Fekola Project took place at its Fekola site yesterday.

The event was officiated by Robert Diarra, Chief of Staff of the Ministry of Mines, and well attended by national and regional government representatives as well as community leaders.

Initial construction activities at Fekola began in February 2015 led by core team members of the Otjikoto construction team. Early works construction activities that were completed included:

- Construction of a new site access road (40 km from the tar road to site) complete with a bridge across a major waterway to allow for year round access;
- Construction of an on-site airstrip designed to allow personnel to fly directly in and out of the site (materially complete but waiting for final regulatory approvals);
- Construction of the camp pad and commencement of clearing within the mill footprint;
- Crushing of aggregate to produce sand and gravel to be used in the concrete batch plant;
- Construction of the concrete batch plant; and
- Development of the on-site geotechnical laboratory to be used for compaction and concrete testing.

All of these activities allowed the project to move forward and prepare for work after the rainy season which runs from late June through September. The site has been receiving a steady stream of materials for mine construction which commenced in the fourth quarter of 2015. Activities that are currently scheduled include:

- Commencing construction of the permanent camp;
- Commencing excavation of the mill area; and,
- Commencing clearing of the tailings basin.

Concurrently, with the activities on site, the B2Gold engineering team continues to work with Lycopodium Engineering in Australia to complete detailed design and procure long-lead items. To date, many of the major mill packages have been identified and purchase orders have been issued. This includes SAG and ball mills, thickeners, cyclones, crusher, and tanks.

On June 11, 2015, the Company announced robust results from the optimized Feasibility Study at the Fekola Gold Project in Mali. According to the Feasibility Study, the current average annual production for the first seven years is approximately 350,000 ounces per year at an average operating cash cost of \$418 per ounce and for the life of mine plan approximately 276,000 ounces per year at an average operating cash cost of \$552 per ounce. The total pre-production capital costs are estimated to be \$395 million plus \$67 million of anticipated mine fleet and power generator costs which are expected to be lease financed. Sunk costs related to early works (including access roads, construction aggregate stockpiling, airstrip construction, and land clearing) of approximately \$38 million are not included in the total pre-production capital estimate. Based on current assumptions the Fekola mine is scheduled to commence production in late 2017.

In addition to the Fekola development project, B2Gold has four mines (two in Nicaragua, one in the Philippines and one in Namibia) and a strong portfolio of development and exploration assets in Mali, Nicaragua, Namibia, Philippines, Colombia and Burkina Faso. The Company is projecting to produce between 500,000 and 540,000 ounces of gold in 2015.

ON BEHALF OF B2GOLD CORP.

Clive T. Johnson, President and Chief Executive Officer

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