# Austral Gold Announces Maiden Reserve Estimate for Amancaya Project and Updated Reserve and Resource Estimate at Guanaco Mine, Chile

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Vancouver, June 8, 2017 - <u>Austral Gold Ltd.</u> (ASX: AGD) (TSXV: AGLD) ("Austral" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that Roscoe Postle Associates Inc. ("RPA") has completed a new independent resource and reserve estimate in accordance with CIM Definition Standards, 2014 as incorporated in National Instrument ("NI") 43-101 and Joint Ore Reserves Committee Code, 2012 (JORC12) for the Company's 100% owned Amancaya project and Guanaco Mine, Chile. The Amancaya reserve estimate is the first in that project's existence.

Highlights:

Amancaya\*:

● Total Indicated resource at Amancaya of 804,690 tonnes at 9.64 g/t gold and 80.7 g/t silver for 277,352 Gold Equivalent ("AuEq") ounces, including;

o A maiden probable reserve of 948,053 tonnes grading 6.77 g/t gold and 63.2 g/t silver for 232,074 AuEq ounces, including;

o A maiden open pit probable reserves of 254,596 tonnes grading 7.56 g/t gold and 119.5 g/t silver for 74,993 AuEq ounces

● Total inferred resource at Amancaya of 959,554 tonnes at 6.79 g/t gold and 36.1 g/t Ag for 220,000 AuEq ounces.

Guanaco\*:

● Measured and Indicated resource of 2,193,000 tonnes grading 2.9 g/t gold and 13.0 g/t silver for 217,000 AuEq ounces, including;

● Total reserves of 489,635 tonnes grading 2.99 g/t gold and 3.6 g/t silver for 47,907 AuEq ounces, including;

o Proven reserve of 189,613 tonnes grading 3.41 g/t gold and 4.1 g/t silver for 21,106 AuEq ounces, and,

o Probable reserve of 300,022 tonnes grading 2.73 g/t gold and 3.4 g/t silver for 26,801 AuEq ounces.

● Inferred resource: 1,200,000 tonnes grading 2.6 g/t gold and 12.9 g/t silver for 110,000 AuEq ounces.

\*See tables below for assumptions used in the estimates.

"We are very pleased with this maiden reserve and resource estimate at Amancaya. It confirms the high grade nature of the Amancaya project and our expectation that Amancaya will play a significant part in our growth plans," stated Stabro Kasaneva, CEO of Austral Gold. "The Amancaya project is a unique asset; high grade gold and silver vein outcropping at surface that is fully permitted, pre-stripping has commenced and ore is being stock piled, pending the imminent commissioning of the new processing plant. The pre-feasibility study that evaluates the combined production from the Amancaya project with the operating Guanaco mine, including its new processing plant, is expected shortly. We are expecting that this study will reveal a financially robust combined operation located in a very attractive jurisdiction."

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## Amancaya Reserve and Resource Estimate

RPA undertook the study based on company infill drilling and exploration activities completed in 2016 and previous work done on the project by other companies. Full details and assumptions used will be available when the Technical Report summarizing the Pre-Feasibility study is filed on SEDAR and ASX within 45 days.

Table 15 Amancaya Mineral Reserves — as at December 31, 2016 Austral Gold Ltd. — Guanaco and Amancaya Gold Project

		Grades			Contained Metal Ounces			
Category	Area	Tonnage	Au	Ag	AuEq	Au	Ag	AuEq
Underground:		(t)	(g/t)	(g/t)	(g/t)	(oz)	(oz)	(oz)
Probable	Veta Central Norte	418,205	6.96	47.9	7.61	93,642	644,422	102,277
Probable	Veta Central Sur	275,253	5.74	34.2	6.19	50,754	302,259	54,804
Total	Underground	693,457	6.48	42.5	7.05	144,396	946,681	157,081
Open Pit: Probable	Open Pit	254,596	7.56	119.5	9.16	61,887	978,062	74,993
Total	All	948,053	6.77	63.2	7.61	206,283	1,924,742	232,074

#### Notes:

- 1. Mineral Reserves followed CIM Definitions, 2014 and are compliant with the JORC Code, 2012.
- 2. Underground Mineral Reserves are estimated at a break-even cut-off grade of 2.5 g/t AuEq for stopes and an incremental cut-off grade of 1.5 g/t AuEq for drifts. Open Pit Mineral Reserves are estimated at a cut-off grade of 1.53 g/t AuEq.
- 3. Mineral Reserves are estimated using an average long-term gold price of US\$1,300 per ounce and silver price of US\$20 per ounce.
- 4. Gold Equivalents (AuEq) were calculated as AuEq = Au + 0.0134 x Ag, based on a Au and Ag price of \$1,300/oz and \$20/oz and recoveries of Au and Ag of 92% and 80%, respectively.
- 5. A minimum mining width of 1.5 m was used for stopes and 3.5 m for drifts.
- 6. Stope dilution: 0.5 m in the hanging wall and 0.5 m in the footwall (1.0 m total).
- 7. Drift dilution: 0.25 m in each of the side walls (0.5 m total).
- 8. Bulk density is 2.5 t/m<sup>3</sup>.
- 9. Numbers may not add due to rounding.

Table 14-1 Amancaya Mineral Resources — as at December 31, 2016 Austral Gold Ltd. — Guanaco and Amancaya Gold Project

	Category	Tonnes Grades			3	Ounces			
		(kt)	Au (g/t)		AuEq (g/t)		Ag (koz)	AuEq (koz)	
	Measured	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
O Dit	Indicated	171.5	11.24	177.5	13.61	62.0	978.9	75.1	
Open Pit	Total M + I	171.5	11.24	177.5	13.61	62.0	978.9	75.1	
	Inferred	60	7.6	110.0	9.0	15	210	20	
	Measured	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Underground	Indicated						1,109.5		
Onderground	Total M + I	633.2	9.21	54.5	9.94	187.4	1,109.5	202.3	
	Inferred	900	6.7	31.0	7.2	195	910	210	
Total	Measured	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Indicated	804.7	9.64	80.7	10.72	249.4	2,088.4	277.4	
	Total M + I	804.7	9.64	80.7	10.72	249.4	2,088.4	277.4	
	Inferred	960	6.8	36.0	7.3	210	1,110	220	

Notes:

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- 1. Mineral Resources followed CIM definitions, 2014 and are compliant with the JORC Code.
- 2. Mineral Resources are reported inclusive of Mineral Reserves.
- 3. Mineral Resources that are not Mineral Reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability.
- 4. Open pit Mineral Resources are reported at a cut-off grade of 1.5 g/t AuEq. Pit optimization shells were used to constrain the resources. Underground Mineral Resources are estimated at a cut-off grade of 2.5 g/t AuEq beneath the open pit shells.
- 5. Mineral Resources are estimated using a long-term gold price of US\$1,300 per ounce, and a silver price of US\$20 per ounce.
- 6. Gold Equivalents (AuEq) were calculated as AuEq = Au + 0.0134 x Ag, based on a gold and silver price of \$1,300/oz and \$20/oz and recoveries of gold and silver of 92% and 80%, respectively.
- 7. Minimum width for the open pit resource is 1.0 m and 1.5 m for the underground resource.
- 8. Bulk density is 2.50 t/m<sup>3</sup>.
- 9. Numbers may not add due to rounding.

The very high conversion rate (approximately 87%) of the Indicated resource into reserves in the Amancaya maiden reserve estimate is a result of the consistent form and grade of the deposit.

Guanaco Reserve and Resource Estimate

#### Reserves:

Table 15-a Guanaco Mineral Reserves — as at December 31, 2016 Austral Gold Ltd. — Guanaco and Amancaya Gold Project

Category	<b>Ace</b>	AuAg	S Containe Au <b>Eq</b>	Ag	AuEq
	(t)	(g <b>(t)</b> /t)	(g/(to)z)	(oz)	(oz)
Underground	<b>2 -</b> 0 <b>1</b> 0 0		01 = 1000		40.4=4
Proven	C 32,468		31 <b>.9</b> ,1238	15,876	19,451
Probable	<b>6/800,19</b> 7741	i <b>2</b> 07370	<b>228</b> ,1141	27,302	25,507
Total	<b>Øæ##13:9</b> 1 West	1 <b>35033</b> 40	3448379	43,178	44,958
Proven	D1u1m1b768	3.3187	3.14,2215	1,695	1,238
Probable	1200 <b>6193125</b> 06	2. <b>27</b> 95	2.13 <b>9</b> 49	3,446	1,095
Total	<b>120.6591</b> 364 West	2.767.3	2 <b>2</b> 8 <b>2</b> 64	5,141	2,333
Proven	P <b>6</b> ; <b>967</b> ei	r <b>e</b> n <b>3637</b> a8	2.13621	7,242	418
Probable	P <b>8</b> ŗ <b>₹9</b> 5ei	r <b>e</b> in <b>1163</b> 6a4	1.6375	1,755	198
Total	P <b>9</b> ; <b>₹6</b> 2eı	r <b>é</b> n <b>2638</b> a7	1.94696	8,998	616
Total Proven Total Probable Total Reserves	<b>£10</b> 0,022	2.7334	32 <b>9</b> 6774 22 <b>7</b> 8365 34 <b>7</b> 4139	32,503	26,801

### Notes:

- 1. Mineral Reserves followed CIM definitions, 2014 and are compliant with the JORC Code.
- 2. Mineral Reserves are estimated at a break-even cut-off grade of 2.0 g/t AuEq for stopes and an incremental cut-off grade of 1.0 g/t AuEq for drifts.
- 3. Mineral Reserves are estimated using an average long-term gold price of US\$1,300 per ounce and silver price of US\$20 per ounce.
- 4. Gold Equivalents (AuEq) were calculated as  $AuEq = Au + 0.0134 \times Ag$ , based on a Au and Ag price of \$1,300/oz and \$20/oz and recoveries of Au and Ag of 92% and 80%, respectively.
- 5. A minimum mining width of 1.5 m was used for stopes and 3.5 m for drifts.
- 6. Stope dilution: 0.5 m in the hanging wall and 0.5 m in the footwall (1.0 m total).
- 7. Drift dilution: 0.25 m in each of the side walls (0.5 m total).
- 8. Bulk density is 2.5 t/m3.
- 9. Numbers may not add due to rounding.

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## Resources

Table 14-2 Guanaco Mineral Resources — as at December 31, 2016 Austral Gold Ltd. — Guanaco & Amancaya Gold Project

Tonne		3	Grade	S	Ounces			
Deposit	(kt)	Au (g/t)	) Ag (g/t)	AuEq (g/t)	Au (koz)	Ag (koz)	AuEq (koz)	
Measured								
Cachinalito Central	111.4	4.37	3.7	4.42	15.6	12.4	15.8	
Cachinalito West	164.0	3.03	3.5	3.08	16.0	18.3	16.2	
Defensa	81.9	2.52	25.7	2.86	6.63	67.5	7.54	
Dumbo West	102.9	3.43	9.7	3.56	11.3	31.9	11.8	
Perseverancia	180.8	2.17	23.4	2.48	12.6	136	14.5	
Natalia	-	-	-		-	-	-	
Total Measured	641	3.02	12.9	3.19	62.2	266	65.8	
Indicated								
Cachinalito Central	235.3	3.98	3.9	4.03	30.1	29.4	30.5	
Cachinalito West	350.0	2.91	3.6	2.95	32.7	41.0	33.2	
Defensa	303.0	2.56	22.3	2.86	25.0	217	27.9	
Dumbo West	320.8	3.13	10.6	3.28	32.3	110	33.8	
Perseverancia	-	-	-		-	-	-	
Natalia	342.5	2.03	23.0	2.34	22.4	253	25.8	
Total Indicated	1,552	2.86	13.0	3.03	143	650	151	
Inferred								
Cachinalito Central	197	3.9	4.7	3.9	24	29	25	
Cachinalito West	94	2.7	4.0	2.7	8	12	8	
Defensa	31	2.4	22.0	2.7	2	21	3	
Dumbo West	693	2.4	17.0	2.7	54	369	59	
Perseverancia	134	2.1	10.0	2.2	9	45	10	
Natalia	45	2.2	12.0	2.4	3	17	3	
Total Inferred	1,200	2.6	12.9	2.8	100	500	110	
Underground								
Measured	641	3.02	12.9	3.19	62	266	65.8	
Indicated	1,552	2.86	13.0	3.03	143	650	151	
Total M + I	2,193	2.90	13.0	3.08	205	916	217	
Inferred	1,200	2.6	12.9	2.8	100	500	110	

### Notes:

- 1. Mineral Resources followed CIM definitions, 2014 and are compliant with the JORC Code.
- 2. Mineral Resources are reported exclusive of Mineral Reserves and do not include dilution.
- 3. Mineral Resources that are not Mineral Reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability.
- 4. Mineral Resources are reported at a 1.5 g/t AuEq cut-off grade where AuEq = Au + (0.0134 \* Ag).
- 5. Mineral Resources are estimated using a long-term gold price of US\$1,300 per ounce, and a silver price of US\$20 per ounce.
- 6. Gold Equivalents (AuEq) were calculated as AuEq = Au + 0.0134 x Ag, based on a Au and Ag price of
- \$1,300/oz and \$20/oz and recoveries of Au and Ag of 92% and 80%, respectively.
- 7. A minimum mining width of 1.5 m was not used for the estimation of the Mineral Resource.
- 8. Bulk density is 2.50 t/m<sup>3</sup>.
- 9. Numbers may not add due to rounding.

There are no known legal, political, environmental, or other risks that could materially affect the potential development of the Guanaco and Amancaya mineral resources or mineral reserves.

## **QUALIFIED PERSONS**

The Amancaya and Guanaco Reserve and Resource Estimate was prepared in accordance with CIM Definitions 2014 in NI 43-101 and a Technical Report will be filed under the Company's profile on SEDAR

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and ASX within 45 days of this press release. The RPA Qualified Persons (QPs) for the Amancaya and Guanaco Reserve and Resource Estimate include:

● Jason J. Cox, P.Eng. (Mineral Reserves)

● Ian Weir, P.Eng. (Mineral Reserves)

● Chester M. Moore, P.Eng., (Mineral Resources)

This press release has been reviewed and approved by the RPA Qualified Persons.

About Austral Gold

Austral Gold Ltd. is a growing precious metals mining, development and exploration company building a portfolio of quality assets in Chile and Argentina. The Company's flagship Guanaco project in Chile is a low-cost gold and silver producing mine with further exploration upside. The Company is also operator of the underground silver-gold Casposo mine in San Juan, Argentina, where it has 70% ownership. With an experienced local technical team and highly regarded major shareholder, Austral's goal is to continue to strengthen its asset base through acquisition and discovery. Austral Gold Ltd. is listed on the TSX Venture Exchange (TSX-V:AGLD), and the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX: AGD). For more information, please consult the company's website www.australgold.com

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