

Cornerstone Announces Completion of \$8.2 Million Financing

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OTTAWA, March 02, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- [Cornerstone Capital Resources Inc.](#) ("Cornerstone") (TSXV:CGP) (Frankfurt:GWN) (Berlin:GWN) (OTC:CTNXF) announces completion of its non-brokered private placement, the proposed terms of which were previously announced on January 11 and January 29, 2018.

The private placement consisted of the issuance of 41.0 million common shares at an issue price of \$0.20 per common share for gross proceeds of \$8.2 million.

Pursuant to the previously announced plan of arrangement, Cornerstone will spin off all of its assets except for its interests in the Cascabel concession in Ecuador, shares of [SolGold plc](#) and the joint venture with Ecuadorian state mining company ENAMI EP into a new company called [Cornerstone Exploration Inc.](#) ("Cornerstone Exploration"). Cornerstone Exploration will own the drill ready Caña Brava, Bella Maria, Vetas Grandes and Bramaderos properties in Ecuador, the Tioloma property, the pending applications for new properties in Ecuador made by Cornerstone subsidiary La Plata Minerales S.A., and the Miocene property in Chile, in addition to Cornerstone's generative exploration databases for Ecuador and Chile. In addition, Cornerstone will be re-named Cascabel Gold & Copper Inc. ("Cascabel Gold & Copper").

\$5.75 million of the proceeds of the private placement will be used to fund Cornerstone Exploration, with the balance of the proceeds being used to fund Cascabel Gold & Copper. Cornerstone Exploration and Cascabel Gold & Copper will each use their respective share of the proceeds for the purposes as disclosed in the management information circular of Cornerstone dated November 6, 2017, which is filed under Cornerstone's profile on SEDAR at www.sedar.com, and for general corporate purposes.

The private placement includes participation by insiders of Cornerstone totalling 13,867,500 common shares, which constitutes a "related party transaction" as defined under Multilateral Instrument 61-101 – *Protection of Minority Security Holders in Special Transactions* ("MI 61-101"). The private placement is exempt from the formal valuation and minority securityholder approval requirements of MI 61-101 as neither the fair market value of the common shares being issued to insiders nor the consideration being paid by insiders will exceed 25% of Cornerstone's market capitalization, calculated in accordance with MI 61-101. The private placement was unanimously approved by independent directors of Cornerstone, which consisted of all directors of Cornerstone except for those participating in the financing. None of Cornerstone's directors has expressed any contrary views or disagreements with respect to the private placement.

The shares issued pursuant to the private placement will be subject to a four-month hold period expiring on July 3, 2018. A total of \$252,000 in finder's fees are payable by Cornerstone in connection with the private placement.

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About Cornerstone:

[Cornerstone Capital Resources Inc.](#) is a mineral exploration company with a diversified portfolio of projects in

Ecuador and Chile, and a proven ability to identify, acquire and advance properties of merit.

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On Behalf of the Board,
Brooke Macdonald
President and CEO

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