

Cerrado Gold Inc. Intercepts 17.9 g/t Gold over 17 m Including 36.9 g/t Gold over 6.5 m at Its Minera Don Nicolas Gold Project

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First drill hole from 12,000-metre drill program focused on near mine and brownfield targets for potential high-grade resources

Toronto, March 15, 2021 - [Cerrado Gold](#) (TSXV: CERT) ("Cerrado" or the "Company") is pleased to announce the results from its first drill hole from its 12,000-metre exploration drill program starting at the Baritina Target, at its Minera Don Nicolás Project ("Minera Don Nicolás" or the "MDN Project") located in Santa Cruz province, Argentina. The focus for the current 12,000-metre exploration program is to delineate new, high grade, near surface mineralization that can be brought into the production schedule in the near term. Results highlighted in this release are from the first drill hole, PA-D21-42. Cerrado has completed 2,127 metres of drilling to March 11. Additional drill results will be announced as assays are made available over the next few months.

Drill Hole Highlights:

PA-D21-42

- True thickness 17.00m grading 17.91g/t Au, starting from 56.00m
- including true thickness 6.50m grading 36.94g/t Au, from 66.50m

Mark Brennan, Co-Chairman and CEO commented "We are very pleased that our first exploration drill results have come back so strongly and believe this reinforces our long-held view of the highly prospective nature of the Minera Don Nicolas gold project. We look forward to continuing and expanding the exploration program to increase the overall resource with improved grade and greater overall tonnes that will continue to add value at Minera Don Nicholas."

The current exploration drill program at the Minera Don Nicolás Project commenced on February 5th at the Baritina target, within the Paula-Andrea Prospect (Figure 1). The drill results reported in this press release were received March 11th, 2021 and represent complete results for hole PA-D21-42, which is the first of nine holes (PA-D21-42 thru 50) totaling 1,068 metres completed at Baritina (see Figure 2). Also, attached is a cross section of the mineralization (Figure 3). The assay results for the remaining holes are pending and will be released over the coming weeks as they become available. The drill rig has now moved 300 metres south and east onto the Chulengo Target, also a part of the Paula Andrea prospect, to test this highly prospective adjacent area, while awaiting additional assay results from Baritina. The current exploration drill program is expected to test numerous near mine and brownfield targets over the course of the next few months and is on track for completion by the end of June 2021.

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Figure 1: location of drill target areas in the La Paloma Mining Group

Previous drilling at Baritina includes 13 reverse-circulation and 5 diamond drill holes, which were used to target the new drilling program. PA-D21-42 was drilled approximately 30 metres down dip from previous drilling and results indicate that this drill hole has been successful in confirming an extension of the epithermal mineralization. Assay data from previous drilling are considered non-compliant and would not be used for resource estimation.

All nine drill holes intersected typical alteration zones associated with high level epithermal mineralization, including abundant silicification, clay alteration, hematite, jarosite and sulphides.

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Figure 2: Current Baritina Exploration Program Drill Hole Location Map

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Figure 3: Cross-section of PA-D21-42 with the geology and current interpreted extent of the mineralisation

Current Drill Program at MDN

The 2021 exploration program at Minera Don Nicolas is comprised of 12,000 metres of diamond drilling. This program will consist mainly of step-out and downdip drilling to target extensions of gold mineralization and a modest amount of infill drilling to upgrade resources. The primary areas of focus for the program will be to build on the numerous exploration targets that have been defined by limited historical drilling, such as the Esperanza and Paula Andrea (Baritina, Chulengo, Ariana, Carcol targets) Prospect (see Figure 3), and upgrade these to NI 43-101 compliant status. Given that these targets are close to the current, high grade, La Paloma mining area they are high priority in order to potentially add new resources. The current program is in addition to RC drilling undertaken by the mine for infill and grade control to extend the current mining areas of La Paloma and Martinetas both along strike and at depth.

Tables 1 summarizes the drill hole information. Table 2 summarizes the significant assay results.

Table 1. Drill hole information

Hole_ID	Easting	Northing	Elevation	DEPTH (metres)	dip
PA-D21-42	2594899	4713140	145	100	- 50

Table 2. Drill Hole Composites

HOLE_ID	Interval	from	to	length (m)	True Length (m)
PA-D21-42	40.00	42.00	2.00	2.00	1.70
PA-D21-42	and	47.00	48.50	1.50	1.50
PA-D21-42	and	56.00	73.00	17.00	17.00
PA-D21-42	including	66.50	73.00	6.50	6.50

Quality Assurance and Quality Control

Analytical work was carried out Alex Stewart international, Argentina S.A. Labs (ASI). The facilities of the prep lab and assay lab are located in San Julian, 184 Km from MDN mine operations. MDN sends out 10% of samples to check at ALS international labs (ALS) with the prep lab located in Mendoza and assay labs in Lima, Peru and Vancouver, Canada. In the main laboratory ASI (Mendoza), the samples are systematically analyzed for gold (ppm) and silver (ppm) by fire assay (Au4-50 + AgICP-AR-39) regarding the over limits with fire assay results greater than 10 ppm, a second assay is applied including gravimetric finishing (FA50GRAV), with respect to silver, analyzes greater than 200ppm are carried out by Ag-FA50GRAV

ASI has routine quality control procedures which ensure that every batch of samples includes three sample repeats, two commercial standards and blanks. Cerrado used standard QA/QC procedures, when inserting reference standards and blanks, for the drilling program. The Reference material used are from CDN Resource Laboratories Ltd. Included in the batches following MDN internal protocols.

Review of Technical Information

The scientific and technical information in this press release has been reviewed and approved by Robert Campbell, P.Geo., Vice President, Exploration for Cerrado Gold Inc., who is a Qualified Person as defined in National Instrument 43-101.

Minera Don Nicolás Overview

Minera Don Nicolás is located 1,625km south west of Buenos Aires, Argentina in the Deseado Massif region in the mining-friendly province of Santa Cruz. The project is comprised of several exploration concessions totaling 333,400 ha. The largest regional centre is Comodoro Rivadavia, which provides logistical and other support for the operations.

MDN Project is situated within the world renowned Deseado Massif where the underlying geology of the region is dominated by rhyolitic and andesitic volcanic and tuffaceous volcanoclastic lithologies of Middle to Upper Jurassic age (130 to 170 ma). It is criss-crossed by numerous extensive fault and fracture zones,

which served as conduits for hydrothermal activity during periods of Jurassic volcanism. The result of this activity is a widespread network of shallow level mineralized "epithermal" fissure veins, breccias, and stock-work systems, many of which carry potentially economic Au and Ag mineralization. The Deseado Massif region is host to several epithermal gold-silver deposits and several multi-million-ounce gold deposits, including Cerro Vanguardia (Anglo Gold), Cerro Negro (Newmont GoldCorp), Cerro Morro (Yamana).

In February 2012, Minera IRL published a Full Feasibility Technical Report in accordance with National Instrument 43-101 (Filed on SEDAR, MINERA IRL LTD, Feb 16, 2012). Construction of the facilities was completed in 2017 and initial production began December 2017.

Current mining operations are conducted in two areas, the high grade La Paloma deposit and the Martinetas deposits, approximately 30km apart. Ore is processed through a 1,000 tpd CIL plant located near the Martinetas pit. The project currently supports 325 employees and contractors on a fly-in fly-out basis. Mineral Don Nicolás has strong regional and local community backing having signed agreements with the two neighboring communities.

Cerrado acquired the MDN Project property in March 2020 and undertook a fundamental review of the resource database and based upon a significant geological re-interpretation, engaged SRK to conduct an independent NI 43-101 updated resource technical report (August 2020) and which is available on the Cerrado Gold website and SEDAR.

Market Maker Agreement

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Cerrado Gold is a public gold producer and exploration company with gold production derived from its 100% owned Minera Don Nicolás mine in Santa Cruz province, Argentina. It also owns 100% of the assets of Minera Mariana in Santa Cruz province, Argentina. The company is also undertaking exploration at its 100% owned Monte Do Carmo project located in Tocantins, Brazil. For more information about Cerrado Gold please visit our website at: www.cerradogold.com.

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