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NEWS RELEASE

Columbus Gold Confirms Montagne d'Or Gold Project Spending and Funding Requirements

Vancouver, BC, Canada, February 14, 2018. Columbus Gold Corp. (CGT: TSX, CGTFF: OTCQX) is pleased to confirm its project spending and funding requirements for the Montagne d'Or Gold project in French Guiana.

Columbus announced on December 18th, 2017 that the Montagne d'Or joint-venture (Columbus 44.99% and Nordgold 55.01%) approved proceeding with construction of a mine at the Montagne d'Or gold project, subject to a number of additional regulatory requirements, including:

- Construction will require the completion of a three-month public consultation process (currently expected to begin in April 2018);
- Delivery of an Environmental and Social Impact Study (currently expected in the 4th quarter of 2018); and
- Submission and approval of the mine permit applications. The submission of the mine permit applications is scheduled for the 4th quarter of 2018 and approval is expected to take between 12 and 18 months.

In January 2018 Columbus provided notice to Nordgold that it will contribute its proportionate share of mine construction costs. Pursuant to the terms of the joint-venture agreement between Nordgold and Columbus, all costs related to construction of the mine, substantially as set-out in the Feasibility Study (inclusive of permitting related costs), will be paid by Nordgold. Columbus won't be diluted, nor be required to make payment for its proportionate share (44.99%) of these expenditures until sixty (60) days following the receipt of all the permits and authorizations necessary for mine construction.

Permitting related costs include direct permitting costs, as well as all indirect permitting costs such as the public consultation, stakeholder engagement, public relations and communications, marketing, and all associated personnel, administrative and overhead costs etc..among others. The permitting budget is estimated at ~US\$15 million.

Total Net Initial Capital Costs (including pre-stripping and contingencies, less surplus tax credit refunds) to build a mine at Montagne d'Or are estimated in the Feasibility Study at US\$361 million (see news release of March 20, 2017).

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD,

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