

LEAGOLD PROVIDES 2019 GUIDANCE AND UPDATES TOTAL GOLD RESERVES TO 7.1 Moz

(All amounts in US dollars, unless otherwise indicated)

Vancouver, January 21, 2019 – Leagold Mining Corporation (TSX:LMC; OTCQX:LMCNF) (“Leagold” or the “Company”) announces 2019 production guidance of between 380,000 to 420,000 ounces (oz) at all-in sustaining costs (AISC) of between \$920 to \$970 per oz, as outlined in Table 1. Leagold also announces the current tabulation of its Proven and Probable gold reserves of 7.1 million ounces (Moz); see Table 2.

Table 1: 2019 Gold Production and Cost Guidance

Mine	2019 Gold Production Guidance (oz gold) ¹	2019 AISC Guidance (\$/oz) ^{1,2}	2019 Sustaining Capital Guidance (\$millions) ¹
Los Filos	200,000 to 220,000	925 to 975	14
RDM	72,000 to 80,000	900 to 950	5
Fazenda	63,000 to 70,000	900 to 950	9
Pilar	45,000 to 50,000	950 to 1,000	7
Total	380,000 to 420,000	920 to 970	35

1. Guidance is provided by Leagold.

2. AISC is a non-GAAP measure. See AISC in the Cautionary Note.

Leagold CEO Neil Woodyer stated: “Leagold’s 2019 guidance range incorporates our first full year of contributions from the three mines in Brazil that we acquired in May 2018. It also reflects the return to normalized recoveries and steady state operations at Los Filos, but does not include the recently announced expansion opportunities at Los Filos. We also caution that our production guidance for the RDM mine is based on a full year of operations, as the benefits of the water storage facilities and water use reduction programs are implemented; however, in each of its previous operating years, RDM has experienced temporary shutdowns due to insufficient water supply.

“Our 2019 outlook benefits from the many operational improvements being implemented at each site. Looking ahead, we see significant upside in the long-term production profile of the company from the restart of Santa Luz and the expansion at Los Filos, which, once financed and constructed, have the capacity to take our consolidated production to +700,000 oz per year.”

Table 2: Proven and Probable Reserves

Mine/Project	Proven			Probable			Proven and Probable		
	Tonnes (kt)	Grade (g/t)	Contained gold (koz)	Tonnes (kt)	Grade (g/t)	Contained gold (koz)	Tonnes (kt)	Grade (g/t)	Contained gold (koz)
Los Filos	36,858	0.76	906	74,471	1.44	3,457	111,328	1.22	4,363
Leach pad inventory						114			114
RDM	2,510	0.88	71	19,079	1.08	656	21,589	1.05	728
Stockpiles	3,137	0.61	62				3,137	0.61	62
Fazenda	2,632	1.77	150	2,756	1.91	169	5,387	1.84	319
Pilar	961	1.51	47	6,044	1.13	219	7,005	1.18	266
Santa Luz	25,000	1.43	1,153	1,100	1.40	47	26,100	1.43	1,200
Stockpiles				2,100	0.89	59	2,100	0.89	59
Total Proven and Probable			2,389			4,721			7,110

Notes:

1. CIM (2014) definitions were followed for Mineral Reserves.
2. The Los Filos effective date was October 31, 2018. Mineral Reserves for Bermejal Underground were prepared by SRK Consulting (Canada) Inc. Mineral Reserves for all other deposits were prepared by the Los Filos mine and reviewed by SRK. Mineral Reserves are quoted using a NSR break-even cut-off grade approach with minimum block NSR of \$149.4/t for Bermejal underground. Cut-off grade for the Los Filos underground is 2.59 g/t. Mineral reserves for Los Filos, Bermejal and Guadalupe open pits are based on variable break-even cut-offs for ore revenue as generated by process destination and recoveries. Variables for revenue calculation include process cost, recovery, and estimated gold, copper and sulphur grades.
3. The RDM effective date was May 31, 2018. Mineral Reserves are reported at a cut-off grade of 0.40 g/t Au.
4. The Fazenda effective date was May 31, 2018. Mineral Reserves are reported at a cut-off grade of 1.29 g/t Au for underground and 0.64 g/t Au to 0.72 g/t Au for open pit material.
5. The Pilar effective date was May 31, 2018. Mineral Reserves are estimated at a cut-off grade of 1.53 g/t Au for Pilar, 1.20 g/t Au for Maria Lázara and 0.54 g/t Au for Três Buracos.
6. The Santa Luz effective date was October 22, 2018. Mineral Reserves are reported at a cut-off grade of 0.53 g/t Au for dacite-leachable, 0.39 g/t Au for dacite-high-sulphide, and 0.60 g/t Au for carbonaceous ore.
7. Mineral Reserves are based on Measured and Indicated Mineral Resources.
8. Metal price assumption for gold was US\$1,200/oz.
9. The exchange rate used for Los Filos was MEX:USD of 20:1. The exchange rate used for RDM, Fazenda, Pilar and Santa Luz was BRL:USD of 3.7:1
10. Tonnage and grade measurements are in metric units. Contained gold is reported as troy ounces.
11. Summation errors may be present due to rounding.

Sources of Technical Information

The Mineral Reserves for the Los Filos Mine are derived from the independent Feasibility Study reported in Leagold's news release dated January 16, 2019. The Company anticipates filing a technical report prepared in accordance with National Instrument 43-101 – Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects (NI 43-101) in early March (Los Filos Technical Report) to support the disclosure of the results of the Feasibility Study.

For further information regarding the mineral resource and mineral reserve estimates at RDM, please see the Company's technical report prepared in accordance with NI 43-101 entitled "Technical Report on the Riacho dos Machados Gold Mine, Minas Gerais, Brazil" by Roscoe Postle Associates Inc. (RPA), and dated November 20, 2018 with an effective date of May 31, 2018 (RDM Technical Report). The RDM Technical Report was prepared by Hugo Miranda, MBA, ChMc (RM), Mark B. Mathisen, C.P.G. and Kathleen Ann Altman, Ph.D., P.E., each of whom is a "qualified person" as that term is defined in NI 43-101 and is independent of the Company.

For further information regarding the mineral resource and mineral reserve estimates at Fazenda, please see the Company's technical report prepared in accordance with NI 43-101 entitled "Technical Report on the Fazenda Brasileiro Mine, Bahia State, Brazil" by RPA dated November 26, 2018 with an effective date as of May 31, 2018 (Fazenda Technical Report). The Fazenda Technical Report was prepared by Mark B. Mathisen, C.P.G., Hugo M. Miranda, MBA, ChMC (RM), Robert L. Michaud, P.Eng. and Andrew P. Hampton, P.Eng., each of whom is a "qualified person" as that term is defined in NI 43-101, and is independent of the Company.

For further information regarding the mineral resource and mineral reserve estimates at Pilar, please see the Company's technical report prepared in accordance with NI 43-101 entitled "Technical Report on the Pilar Operations, Goiás State, Brazil" by RPA and dated December 20, 2018 with an effective date of May 31, 2018 (Pilar Technical Report). The Pilar Technical Report was prepared by Mark B. Mathisen, C.P.G., Philip A. Geusebroek, P.Geo., Hugo M. Miranda, MBA, ChMC (RM), Robert L. Michaud, P.Eng., and Andrew P. Hampton, P.Eng. each of whom is a "qualified person" as that term is defined in NI 43-101 and is independent of the Company.

The Pilar Technical Report is being filed today under the Company's profile on SEDAR at www.sedar.com and will be available on the Company's website later today at www.leagold.com.

For further information regarding the mineral resource and mineral reserve estimates at Santa Luz, please see the Company's technical report prepared in accordance with NI 43-101 entitled "Technical Report on the Santa Luz Project, Bahia State, Brazil" by RPA and dated November 14, 2018 with an effective date of October 22, 2018 (Santa Luz Technical Report). The Santa Luz Technical Report was prepared by Mark B. Mathisen, C.P.G., Hugo M. Miranda, MBA, ChMC (RM), Robert L. Michaud, P.Eng. and Richard Addison, P.E., each of whom is a "qualified person" as that term is defined in NI 43-101 and is independent of the Company.

Qualified Persons

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Doug Reddy, P.Ge., Leagold’s Senior Vice President – Technical Services, is a Qualified Person under NI 43-101, and has reviewed and approved the scientific and technical disclosure in this news release on behalf of the Company, including the 2019 guidance.

About Leagold Mining Corporation

Leagold is building a mid-tier gold producer with a focus on opportunities in Latin America. The Company is based in Vancouver, Canada and owns four operating gold mines in Mexico and Brazil, along with a near-term gold mine restart project in Brazil and additional expansion and growth opportunities. Leagold is listed on the TSX under the trading symbol “LMC” and trades on the OTCQX market as “LMCNF”. For more information on Leagold please visit the Company website at www.leagold.com or contact:

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CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

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Although Leagold has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in forward-looking information and forward-looking statements, there may be other factors that cause results not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended. There can be no assurance that such information or statements will prove to be accurate, as actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such information or statements. The Company has and continues to disclose in its Management’s Discussion and Analysis and other publicly filed documents, changes to material factors or assumptions underlying the forward-looking information and forward-looking statements and to the validity of the information, in the period the changes occur. The forward-looking statements and forward-looking information are made as of the date hereof and Leagold disclaims any obligation to update any such factors or to publicly announce the result of any revisions to any of the forward-looking statements or forward-looking information contained herein to reflect future results. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements and information.

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