# **Condor Gold plc**



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# Condor Gold plc ("Condor", "Condor Gold" or the "Company")

## Condor Gold Raises £4.1 Million Via a Private Placement of New Ordinary Shares

Condor Gold (AIM: CNR; TSX: COG) is pleased to announce a placing of 11,714,286 Units (as defined below) at a price of 35p per Unit (the "Placing Price"), including a Directors & CFO subscription of 2,972,144 Units ("Directors & CFO Subscription"), for aggregate gross proceeds of £4.1 million before expenses (the "Placing"). The Placing has been undertaken by the Company and its Brokers with institutional and other investors. Completion of the Placing is conditional, inter alia, upon receipt of funds by close of business on 29 October 2021 and admission of the Units to trading on AIM, expected to be on or around 2 November 2021. The Company has received conditional approval from the Toronto Stock Exchange (the "TSX") for the Placing.

### Mark Child, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Condor, commented:

"Condor Gold has conducted a private placement, issuing new ordinary shares representing 8.7% of the Company's existing issued share capital, to raise gross proceeds of £4.1 million. The placement proceeds will be primarily used to complete a Feasibility Study, increasing the confidence of the Project, incorporating a Feasibility Level engineering design, and +/- 15% capital and operating costs. This in turn will facilitate the securing of Project financing ahead of Project construction. The other use of proceeds is to pay the balance of a new SAG Mill, which is now 80% in Nicaragua and advance the site clearance and preparation for the processing plant. Condor's base case is to produce 100,000 oz gold p.a. before materially expanding production".

## **Details of the Placing and Directors & CFO Subscription**

Each unit (a "Unit") is comprised of one ordinary share of 20p each in the Company (each, an "Ordinary Share") and one-half of one Ordinary Share purchase warrant (each whole Ordinary Share purchase warrant, a "Warrant"). Each Warrant, which is unlisted and fully transferable, will entitle the holder thereof to purchase one Ordinary Share at a price of 50p for a period of 24 months from the date on which the shares are issued pursuant to the Placing. 50% of the Warrants shall be subject to an accelerated exercise period if the closing mid-market price of the Ordinary Shares on AIM is more than 60p for 10 consecutive trading days. All of the securities comprising the Units are subject to resale restrictions into Canada which will expire four months and one day from the date of Admission of the Ordinary Shares on AIM and the TSX.

A total of 11,714,286 Units have been placed with placees at the Placing Price to raise gross proceeds of £4.1 million.

As part of the Placing, the Company advises that through the Directors & CFO Subscription, four Directors of the Company, namely Mark Child, Andrew Cheatle, Ian Stalker and Jim Mellon, along with John Seaberg (Chief Financial Officer), have subscribed for 15,000, 14,286, 71,429, 2,857,143 and 14,286 Units, respectively, for a total of 2,972,144 Units. The percentage shareholdings detailed below are calculated post admission of the new Ordinary Shares to AIM.

Jim Mellon has subscribed (the "**Mellon Subscription**"), through Galloway Limited, a limited company which is wholly owned by Burnbrae Group Limited, which is in turn wholly owned by Jim Mellon, for a total of 2,857,143 Units (the "**Mellon Shares**") for a sum of £1,000,000.05 Following completion of the Mellon Subscription, Jim Mellon shall own a direct and indirect aggregate shareholding of 27,908,511 Ordinary Shares, representing approximately 19.0% of the Company's issued Ordinary Shares. His direct interest will be in 2,889,883 Ordinary Shares and the indirect interest will be in 25,018,628 Ordinary Shares held through Galloway Limited.

Andrew Cheatle has subscribed (the "Cheatle Subscription") for a total of 14,286 Units. Following completion of the Cheatle Subscription, Andrew Cheatle shall own directly and indirectly 145,241 Ordinary Shares, representing approximately 0.1% of the of the Company's issued Ordinary Shares.

lan Stalker has subscribed (the "**Stalker Subscription**") through Promaco Consulting Services Limited, a limited company which is wholly owned by a trust for the Stalker family, for a total of 71,429 Units. Following completion of the Stalker Subscription, Ian Stalker shall have a direct or indirect interest in 310,228 Ordinary shares, representing approximately 0.2% of the Company's issued Ordinary Shares.

Mark Child has subscribed (the "**Child Subscription**") for a total of 15,000 Units. Following completion of the Child Subscription, Mark Child shall own directly and indirectly a shareholding of 4,230,000 Ordinary Shares, representing approximately 2.9% of the Company's issued Ordinary Shares.

John Seaberg has subscribed (the "**Seaberg Subscription**") for a total of 14,286 Units. Following completion of the Seaberg Subscription, John Seaberg shall own directly and indirectly a shareholding of 14,286 Ordinary shares of the Company, representing approximately nil% of the Company's issued Ordinary Shares.

Application has been made for the new Ordinary Shares to be admitted to trading on AIM ("**Admission**"), with Admission of the new Ordinary Shares expected to occur on or around 2 November 2021.

The new Ordinary Shares will rank pari passu with the existing Ordinary Shares, including the right to receive all dividends and other distributions declared after the date of their issue.

Following Admission of the new Ordinary Shares the Company will have 146,630,715 Ordinary Shares of 20p each in issue with voting rights and admitted to trading on AIM and this figure may be used by shareholders in the Company as the denominator for the calculation by which they will determine if they are required to notify their interest in, or a change to their interest in, the share capital of the Company under the Financial Conduct Authority's Disclosure and Transparency Rules.

The placement proceeds will be primarily used to complete a Feasibility Study, increasing the confidence of the Project, incorporating a Feasibility Level engineering design, and +/-15% capital and operating costs. This in turn will facilitate the securing of Project financing ahead of Project construction. The other use of proceeds is to pay the balance of a new SAG Mill, which is now 80% in Nicaragua and advance the site clearance and preparation for the processing plant.

### **Related Party Transaction**

The subscription by each of Jim Mellon (through Galloway Limited), Mark Child, Ian Stalker and Andrew Cheatle ("Directors Subscriptions") is being treated as a Related Party Transaction under Rule 13 of the AIM Rules for Companies by virtue of Jim Mellon, Andrew Cheatle, Ian Stalker and Mark Child being Directors of the Company and in the case of Jim Mellon being a 19.0% direct and indirect shareholder. Accordingly, the Independent Director, being Kate Harcourt, considers that, having consulted with the Company's Nominated Adviser, the terms of the Directors Subscriptions are fair and reasonable insofar as the Company's shareholders are concerned.

#### **Canadian Securities Law Matters**

The Directors' Subscription will constitute a related party transaction pursuant to Multilateral Instrument 61-101 – *Protection of Minority Security Holders in Special Transactions* ("MI 61-101"). The Company is exempt from the requirements to obtain a formal valuation and minority shareholder approval in connection with the Directors' Subscription in reliance on sections 5.5(a) and 5.7(a), respectively, of MI 61-101, as neither the fair market value of the securities received by such parties nor the proceeds for such securities received by the Company exceeds 25% of the Company's market capitalisation as calculated in accordance with MI 61-101. The board of directors of the Company has approved the Placing, with Jim Mellon abstaining from voting.

#### **TSX Matters**

The Company is relying on the exemption provided for pursuant to Section 602.1 of the TSX Company Manual (the "Manual") from the requirements of the Manual and the TSX related to the Placing, as the Company is an "Eligible Interlisted Issuer" as defined in the Manual.

#### Special note concerning the Market Abuse Regulation

This announcement contains inside information for the purposes of Article 7 of the Market Abuse Regulation (EU) 596/2014 as it forms part of UK domestic law by virtue of the

European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 ("MAR"), and is disclosed in accordance with the Company's obligations under Article 17 of MAR. Market soundings, as defined in MAR, were taken in respect of the Placing, with the result that certain persons became aware of inside information, as permitted by MAR. That inside information is set out in this announcement. Therefore, those persons that received inside information in a market sounding are no longer in possession of inside information relating to the Company and its securities.

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#### **About Condor Gold plc:**

Condor Gold plc was admitted to AIM in May 2006 and dual listed on the TSX in January 2018. The Company is a gold exploration and development company with a focus on Nicaragua.

In August 2018, the Company announced that the Ministry of the Environment in Nicaragua had granted the Environmental Permit ("EP") for the development, construction and operation of a processing plant with capacity to process up to 2,800 tonnes per day at its wholly-owned La India gold Project ("La India Project"). The EP is considered the master permit for mining operations in Nicaragua.

La India Project contains a Mineral Resource of 9,850 Kt at 3.6 g/t gold for 1.14 M oz gold in the Indicated category and 8,479 Kt at 4.3 g/t gold for 1.18 M oz gold in the Inferred category. A gold price of \$1,500/oz and a cut-off grade of 0.5 g/t and 2.0 g/t gold were assumed for open pit and underground resources, respectively. A cut-off grade of 1.5 g/t gold was furthermore applied within a part of the Inferred Resource. Mineral Resources are not Mineral Reserves and do not have demonstrated economic viability. There is no certainty that any part of the Mineral Resources will be converted to Mineral Reserves.

Environmental Permits were granted in April and May 2020 for the Mestiza and America open pits respectively, both located close to La India. The Mestiza open pit hosts 92 Kt at a grade of 12.1 g/t gold (36,000 oz contained gold) in the Indicated Mineral Resource category and 341 Kt at a grade of 7.7 g/t gold (85,000 oz contained gold) in the Inferred Mineral Resource category. The America open pit hosts 114 Kt at a grade of 8.1 g/t gold (30,000 oz) in the Indicated Mineral Resource category and 677 Kt at a grade of 3.1 g/t gold (67,000 oz) in the Inferred Mineral Resource category. Following the permitting of the Mestiza and America open pits, together with the La India Open Pit Condor has 1.12 M oz gold open pit Mineral Resources permitted for extraction.

#### **Disclaimer**

Neither the contents of the Company's website nor the contents of any website accessible from hyperlinks on the Company's website (or any other website) is incorporated into, or forms part of, this announcement.

#### **Qualified Persons**

The technical and scientific information in this press release has been reviewed, verified and approved by Andrew Cheatle, P.Geo., who is a "qualified person" as defined by NI 43-101 and Gerald D. Crawford, P.E., who is a "qualified person" as defined by NI 43-101 and is the Chief Technical Officer of Condor Gold plc.

#### **Technical Information**

Certain disclosure contained in this news release of a scientific or technical nature has been summarised or extracted from the technical report entitled "*Technical Report on the La India Gold Project, Nicaragua, October 2021*", dated October 22, 2021 with an effective date of September 9, 2021 (the "**Technical Report**"), prepared in accordance with NI 43-101. The Technical Report was prepared by or under the supervision of Tim Lucks, Principal Consultant (Geology & Project Management), Gabor Bacsfalusi, Principal Consultant (Mining), Benjamin Parsons, Principal Consultant (Resource Geology), each of SRK Consulting (UK) Limited, and Neil Lincoln of Lycopodium Minerals Canada Ltd., each of whom is an independent "qualified person" as defined by NI 43-101.

#### **Forward Looking Statements**

All statements in this press release, other than statements of historical fact, are 'forward-looking information' with respect to the Company within the meaning of applicable securities laws, including, but not limited to, statements with respect to: the use of proceeds of the offering; the impact of a Feasibility Study on, including investor confidence

in, the Project; the ability of the Company to access future financing; the ongoing mining dilution and pit optimisation studies, and the incorporation of same into any mining production schedule, future development and production plans at La India Project. Forward-looking information is often, but not always, identified by the use of words such as: "seek", "anticipate", "plan", "continue", "strategies", "estimate", "expect", "Project", "predict", "potential", "targeting", "intends", "believe", "potential", "could", "might", "will" and similar expressions. Forward-looking information is not a guarantee of future performance and is based upon a number of estimates and assumptions of management at the date the statements are made including, among others, assumptions regarding: future commodity prices and royalty regimes: availability of skilled labour: timing and amount of capital expenditures; future currency exchange and interest rates; the impact of increasing competition; general conditions in economic and financial markets; availability of drilling and related equipment; effects of regulation by governmental agencies; the receipt of required permits; royalty rates; future tax rates; future operating costs; availability of future sources of funding; ability to obtain financing and assumptions underlying estimates related to adjusted funds from operations. Many assumptions are based on factors and events that are not within the control of the Company and there is no assurance they will prove to be correct.

Such forward-looking information involves known and unknown risks, which may cause the actual results to be materially different from any future results expressed or implied by such forward-looking information, including, risks related to: mineral exploration, development and operating risks; estimation of mineralisation and resources; environmental, health and safety regulations of the resource industry; competitive conditions; operational risks; liquidity and financing risks; funding risk; exploration costs; uninsurable risks; conflicts of interest; risks of operating in Nicaragua; government policy changes; ownership risks; permitting and licencing risks; artisanal miners and community relations; difficulty in enforcement of judgments; market conditions; stress in the global economy; current global financial condition; exchange rate and currency risks; commodity prices; reliance on key personnel; dilution risk; payment of dividends; as well as those factors discussed under the heading "Risk Factors" in the Company's annual information form for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020 dated March 31, 2021 and available under the Company's SEDAR profile at www.sedar.com.

Although the Company has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual actions, events or results to differ materially from those described in forward-looking information, there may be other factors that cause actions, events or results not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended. There can be no assurance that such information will prove to be accurate as actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. The Company disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking information, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise unless required by law.

# Jim Mellon

Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities / person closely associated

a)	Name	Jim Mellon		
2	Reason for notification			
a)	Position / status	Non-Executive Director		
,	Initial notification /Amendment	Initial		
3	Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor			
a)	Name	Condor Gold plc		
b)	LEI	213800PFKETQA86RHL82		
4	Details of the transaction(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) each type of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have been conducted			
a)	type of instrument	, 2,857,143 units of Condor Gold plc, each consisting of one ordinary share of 20p each in the Company (each, an " <b>Ordinary Share</b> ", and one-half of one Ordinary Share purchase warrant		
		ISIN GB00B8225591		
	Nature of the transaction	Director's participation in a Subscription		
c)	Price(s) and volumes(s)			
		Price(s) Volumes(s)		
		35 pence 2,857,143		
d)	Aggregated information	n/a		
e)	Date of the transaction	28 October 2021		
f)	Place of the transaction	London Stock Exchange, AIM (XLON)		

## **Andrew Cheatle**

1	Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities / person closely associated		
a)	Name	Andrew Cheatle	
2	Reason for notification		
a)	Position / status	Non-Executive Directo	or
b)	Initial notification	Initial	
	/Amendment		
3	Details of the issuer, en platform, auctioneer or au	uer, emission allowance market participant, auction or auction monitor	
a)	Name	Condor Gold plc	
b)	LEI	213800PFKETQA86RHL82	
4		n(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place	
a)	Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument  Identification code	14,286 units of Condor Gold plc, each consisting of one ordinary share of 20p each in the Company (each, an "Ordinary Share") and one-half of one Ordinary Share purchase warrant  ISIN GB00B8225591	
	Nature of the transaction	Director's participation in a Subscription	
c)	Price(s) and volumes(s)	Price(s)	Volumes(s)
		35 pence	14,286
d)	Aggregated information	n/a	
e)	Date of the transaction	28 October 2021	
f)	Place of the transaction	London Stock Exchange, AIM (XLON)	

# Mark Child

1	Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities /			
	person closely associated			
a)	Name	Mark Child		
2	Reason for notification			
a)	Position / status	Executive Chairman	)	
b)	Initial notification /Amendment	Initial		
3	Details of the issuer, en platform, auctioneer or au	mission allowance market participant, auction		
a)	Name	Condor Gold plc		
b)	LEI	213800PFKETQA86RHL82		
4		of (s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place been conducted		
a)	Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument  Identification code	15,000 units of Condor Gold plc, each consisting of one ordinary share of 20p each in the Company (each, an " <b>Ordinary Share</b> ") and one-half of one Ordinary Share purchase warrant  ISIN GB00B8225591		
	Nature of the transaction	Director's participation in a Subscription		
c)	Price(s) and volumes(s)	Price(s) 35 pence	Volumes(s) 15,000	
d)	Aggregated information	n/a		
e)	Date of the transaction	28 October 2021		
f)	Place of the transaction	London Stock Exchange, AIM (XLON)		

# John Seaberg

1	Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities / person closely associated		
a)	Name	John Seaberg	
2	Reason for notification		
a)	Position / status	Chief Financial Officer	
b)	Initial notification /Amendment	Initial	
3	Details of the issuer, en platform, auctioneer or au	r, emission allowance market participant, auction rauction monitor	
a)	Name	Condor Gold plc	
b)	LEI	213800PFKETQA86RHL82	
4		n(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place been conducted	
a)	Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument  Identification code		
	Nature of the transaction	Participation in a Subscription	
c)	Price(s) and volumes(s)	Price(s) Volumes(35 pence 14,286	(s)
d)	Aggregated information	n/a	
e)	Date of the transaction	28 October 2021	
f)	Place of the transaction	London Stock Exchange, AIM (XLON)	

## Ian Stalker

1	Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities / person closely associated			
a)	Name	lan Stalker		
2	Reason for notification	otification		
a)	Position / status	Non-Executive Directo	or	
b)	Initial notification	Initial		
	/Amendment			
3	Details of the issuer, en platform, auctioneer or au	issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction eer or auction monitor		
a)	Name	Condor Gold plc		
b)	LEI	213800PFKETQA86RHL82		
4		n(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place been conducted		
a)	Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument  Identification code	71,429 units of Condor Gold plc, each consisting of one ordinary share of 20p each in the Company (each, an " <b>Ordinary Share</b> ") and one-half of one Ordinary Share purchase warrant  ISIN GB00B8225591		
	Nature of the transaction	Participation in a Subscription		
c)	Price(s) and volumes(s)	Price(s) 35 pence	Volumes(s) 71,429	
d)	Aggregated information	n/a		
e)	Date of the transaction	28 October 2021		
f)	Place of the transaction	London Stock Exchange, AIM (XLON)		