Leagold Completes Drill Program and Continues Development of Bermejal Underground

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VANCOUVER, Dec. 12, 2017 /CNW/ - Leagold Mining Corp. (TSX:LMC; OTCQX:LMCNF) ("Leagold" or "the Company completed the Bermejal Underground drill program at the Los Filos mine in Mexico. The program totalled 56,191 metre holes. Highlights of 10 new holes include 7.0 grams per tonne ("gpt") over 16.0 metres, 11.0 gpt over 8.6 metres, and 8 10.6 metres (all capped grades and true widths; see Table 1). These results follow 86 holes previously reported. The reholes are in the process of being sampled and assayed.

Leagold CEO Neil Woodyer stated: "The large-scale drill program commenced in April and has been completed on sch program delineated several new areas of high-grade mineralization and has greatly increased the Measured and Indica resources, based on data available as of August 31, 2017. A further update of the Bermejal Underground mineral resources in progress and is expected before year end. In addition, the Bermejal Underground ramp development has 175 metres to date and is on track to reach the test mining area in Q2 of next year.

"Operations continue to benefit from improvements made earlier this year. The agglomerator and new overland convey on line in early 2018. With mine production of 173,551 ounces of gold up to November 30, we remain well positioned to full year production guidance of 185,000 to 200,000 ounces."

The Bermejal Underground drill program included 62 drill holes in the high-grade Central zone, 38 holes in the East zon holes in the West zone. All holes intersected mineralization, and a total of 210 intervals of more than 3 gpt gold over a range of 3 metres true width have been reported to date. The multiple intercepts are due to development of oxide skarn mineralist the intrusive contact, and also at the upper and lower contacts of a shallowly dipping sill that created the opportunity for high-grade and wide zone of "sub-sill" mineralization.

The Bermejal Underground deposit is at the northern end of a large intrusive body which has a total circumference of a kilometres, providing extensive additional areas for further exploration. The Bermejal Underground mineralization exter approximately 1,600 metres along the strike of the intrusive contact and has a vertical depth extent of over 800 metres.

The Bermejal Underground ramp has advanced 175 metres and the portal has been completed with steel arches and a floor (Figure 1). Although this is an exploration ramp, the development is fully dimensioned for production and permits f production are in place.

Table 1: Drill Program Highlights for Bermejal Underground Deposit

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Sector	Hole ID	Zone	Skarn Type	From (m)	To (m)	Length (m)	True Width		Capped (g/t Au)
East	BU-70A-17	UC	Exo	,	402.95		1.43	7.89	(g/t Au)
	and	Sill	Endo		448.90		8.83	3.74	
	and	LC	Exo		507.70		16.02	7.25	6.97
	including	LC	Exo	504.85	507.70	2.85	2.68	22.63	20.98
	and	LI	Exo	560.00	562.90	2.90	2.80	3.42	
Central	BU-79-17	LC	Exo	555.90	558.15	2.25	2.22	5.90	
	and	LC	Exo	565.90	569.85	3.95	3.89	4.98	
	and	LI	Exo	804.45	805.45	1.00	0.94	19.55	
	and	LI	Exo	807.95	812.25	4.30	4.04	8.68	
Central	BU-80-17	UC	Exo	429.00	433.25	4.25	4.11	4.04	
	and	Sill	Endo	452.20	460.50	8.30	8.02	3.53	
	including	Sill	Endo	452.20	454.50	2.30	2.22	6.06	
	and	Sill	Endo	492.00	498.00	6.00	5.80	3.92	
	and	LI	Exo	768.60	771.60	3.00	2.46	23.63	28.28
West	BU-82-17	LI	Ехо	434.70	442.40	7.70	7.44	9.96	
East	BU-87-17	UC	Exo	368.85	372.05	3.20	2.62	4.95	
	and	LC	Exo	403.20	405.90	2.70	2.07	6.66	
Central	BU-88-17	Sill	Endo	393.85	396.45	2.60	2.25	4.61	
	and	LC	Exo	414.85	418.45	3.60	3.12	4.57	
	and	LI	Exo	461.95	472.90	10.95	10.58	8.36	
West	BU-90-17	Sill	Endo	303.40	306.30	2.90	2.89	3.44	
	and	LI	Exo	452.10	455.60	3.50	3.29	14.73	
	and	LI	Exo	475.90	478.80	2.90	2.73	3.48	
	and	LI	Exo	483.10	485.75	2.65	2.56	6.01	
West	BU-91-17	Sill/LC	Endo/Exo	304.30	309.50	5.20	5.18	7.56	
	and	LC	Exo	391.35	398.30	6.95	6.53	6.66	
West	BU-96-17	LC	Ехо	358.40	359.15	0.75	0.65	26.70	
	and	LI	Exo	413.10	417.20	4.10	3.72	3.56	

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NOTES:

- Intervals in bold are mentioned in the text of the news release
- All intercepts are over 3 gpt when diluted to a minimum true width of 3 metres. Drill hole BU-77-17 intercepted middluted below 3 gpt after diluting to 3 metres
- UC = Upper Contact of Sill; LC = Lower Contact of Sill; Sill = Oxide within Sill; UI = Intrusive Contact above Junction with Sill
- Individual assays within the intercepts were capped using 40 gpt limit

Figure 1a: Portal and Ramp for Development of Bermeial Underground

Figure 1b: Portal and Ramp for Development of Bermejal Underground

Qualified Persons

Doug Reddy, P.Geo., Leagold's Senior Vice President – Technical Services, is a Qualified Person under NI 43-101, and has reviewed and approved the technical contents of this news release on behalf of Leagold.

The Los Filos Mine employs industry standard drilling and sampling procedures. All exploration samples are sent to an ALS Global facility in Guadalajara for preparation, and to Vancouver for analyses by fire assay and ICP. A full quality control and assurance program and protocols are in place and are aligned with best practices including regular insertion of certified reference standards, blanks, and duplicates.

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Leagold is building a new mid-tier gold producer with a focus on opportunities in Latin America. Leagold is based in Vancouver, Canada and is listed on the TSX under the trading symbol "LMC" and trades on the OTCQX market as "LMCNF". The acquisition of the Los Filos Mine, a low-cost gold producer in Mexico, provides an excellent platform for growth.

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