Lundin Mining Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2021 Results

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TORONTO, Feb. 17, 2022 - (TSX: LUN) (Nasdaq Stockholm: LUMI) <u>Lundin Mining Corp.</u> ("Lundin Mining" or the "Com reported earnings attributable to Lundin Mining shareholders of \$228.8 million (\$0.31 per share) in the fourth quarter armillion (\$1.06 per share) for the year ended December 31, 2021. Adjusted earnings¹ were \$281.5 million (\$0.38 per share) are share) for the year. Adjusted EBITDA¹ were \$623.0 million for the quarter and \$1 million for the year.

Peter Rockandel, President and CEO commented, "We were able to take advantage of the favourable base metal price environment and set many Lundin Mining all-time financial records in 2021 including generating net earnings of nearly adjusted EBITDA of \$1.9 billion, free cash flow of over \$1 billion, and dividends paid of over \$225 million.

Our operations finished the year strong with excellent fourth quarter performance, including significant improvement at The Zinc Expansion Project at Neves-Corvo was substantially complete at year-end and commissioning is now underw Expansion study work evaluating future growth and mine life extensions were advanced for the Candelaria underground Keel zone of Eagle East and at Chapada. We are very excited about the discovery of the high-grade copper-gold Saúva and potential positive implications for the Chapada expansion alternatives. Acquisition of Josemaria Resources, for its vecopper-gold project, remains on-track for closing in the second quarter of 2022."

Summary Financial Results

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	Three mo	nths ended	Twelve months ended		
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US\$ Millions (except per share amounts)	2021	2020	2021	2020	
Revenue	1,018.6	529.5	3,328.8	2,041.5	
Gross profit	433.2	179.4	1,369.7	498.1	
Attributable net earnings ²	228.8	119.2	780.3	168.8	
Net earnings	266.1	120.8	879.3	189.1	
Adjusted earnings ^{1,2}	281.5	106.7	820.6	225.2	
Adjusted EBITDA ¹	623.0	234.8	1,869.4	856.9	
Basic and diluted earnings per share ("EPS") ²	0.31	0.16	1.06	0.23	
Adjusted EPS ^{1,2}	0.38	0.15	1.11	0.31	
Cash flow from operations	384.2	172.7	1,485.0	565.9	
Adjusted operating cash flow ¹	481.5	175.7	1,487.1	644.6	
Adjusted operating cash flow per share ¹	0.65	0.24	2.02	0.88	
Free cash flow ¹	247.6	79.0	1,009.6	199.4	
Cash and cash equivalents	594.1	141.4	594.1	141.4	
Net cash (debt) ¹	563.1	(63.2)	563.1	(63.2)	

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Highlights

Operational Performance

Production of all metals met or exceeded the Company's most recent annual production guidance. Due to increased sales volumes, production costs were higher than the prior year, however on a per unit basis cash costs were better than the most recent annual guidance for each operation.

Candelaria (80% owned): Candelaria produced, on a 100% basis, 151,719 tonnes of copper, approximately 91,000 ounces of gold and 1.4 million ounces of silver in concentrate during the year. Copper production met, and gold production exceeded, most recent guidance. Production of both metals exceeded the prior year which was impacted by strike related work stoppages and ore hardness. Due to higher sales volumes, production costs were \$120.6 million higher than the prior year. Copper cash cost¹ of \$1.51/lb was better than annual guidance, but slightly higher than the prior year due to the impact of higher mining costs.

Chapada (100% owned): Chapada produced 52,019 tonnes of copper and approximately 76,000 ounces of gold, with copper production exceeding guidance and gold production achieving the higher end of guidance.

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A new annual mill throughput record of 24.1 Mt processed was set in 2021. Copper production was also higher than the prior year, though gold production was lower due to planned lower grades. Production costs were \$114.4 million higher than the prior year due to a non-cash write-down of ore stockpile inventory and inflationary impacts on costs. Full year copper cash cost of \$1.05/lb was better than guidance though higher than the previous year due to higher mining costs resulting from inflationary pressures and lower gold production and sales.

Eagle (100% owned): Eagle's production of 18,353 tonnes of nickel and 18,419 tonnes of copper met guidance. Nickel production was higher than the prior year due to increased mining of high-grade Eagle East ore, while copper production was in-line with the prior year. Production costs were \$25.4 million higher than the prior year primarily due to higher sales volumes. Nickel cash cost of negative \$1.24/lb was better than guidance and the prior year due primarily to higher copper by-product prices.

Neves-Corvo (100% owned): Neves-Corvo produced 37,941 tonnes of copper for the year, meeting guidance and exceeding the prior year. Zinc production of 66,031 tonnes was below guidance and the prior year due to lower grades. Production costs were \$71.1 million higher than the prior year due to inflationary increases and higher net sales volumes. Copper cash cost of \$1.89/lb for the year was better than guidance and prior year due to higher zinc by-product prices and sales volumes.

The Zinc Expansion Project ("ZEP") continues to progress on schedule and on budget. In January 2021, ZEP officially restarted after a temporary suspension due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The ZEP was substantially completed at the end of 2021, and commissioning of the mine materials handling system and the expanded zinc processing plant commenced.

Zinkgruvan (100% owned): Zinc production of 77,766 tonnes exceeded guidance as well as the previous year due to higher grades. Lead production (22,183 tonnes) was lower than the prior year, impacted by grades and recoveries. Production costs were \$9.4 million higher than the prior year, but on a per unit basis zinc cash cost of \$0.53/lb for the current year was better than guidance and in-line with the prior year.

Total Production

(Contained metal in concentrate)	2021				2020					
	Total	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Total	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Copper (t) ^a	262,884	76,996	65,077	63,457	57,354	230,781	41,885	61,444	65,285	62,167
Zinc (t)	143,797	36,830	38,769	34,833	33,365	142,744	41,428	32,787	31,582	36,947
Gold (koz) ^a	167	46	46	41	34	163	35	45	44	39
Nickel (t)	18,353	4,101	4,124	4,774	5,354	16,718	4,909	4,854	3,380	3,575
a. Candelaria's production is on a 100% basis.										

Corporate Highlights

- On February 18, 2021, the Company announced an increase in its quarterly cash dividend to C\$0.06 per share, of share annualized, compared to the quarterly dividend paid in 2020. On July 28, 2021, the Company further increased quarterly cash dividend to C\$0.09 per share, or C\$0.36 per share annualized. In addition, the Company declared semi-annual variable performance dividend of C\$0.09 per share. Total dividends declared has increased more the over the previous year.
- On July 6, 2021, the Company published its annual Sustainability Report which provides updates on the economic environmental and social issues that are of greatest interest to communities near the Company's operations, empinvestors, and other stakeholders.

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- On July 27, 2021, the Company announced that its 24% owned associate, Koboltti Chemicals Holdings Limited, he into an agreement to sell its specialty cobalt business to Jervois Mining Limited ("Jervois"). The consideration at a \$208.0 million with the right to receive up to \$40.0 million in contingent cash consideration based on future perfor business. The Company's share of net proceeds were comprised of \$45.0 million in cash and approximately \$8.0 Jervois shares. The transaction closed in the third quarter of 2021.
- On September 9, 2021, the Company announced that the President and Chief Executive Officer, Ms. Marie Inksterstepping down and that Mr. Peter Rockandel, previously Senior Vice President, Corporate Development and Inverse Relations would assume the role of President and Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Rockandel assumed this role as of 1, 2021. Ms. Inkster remained on the Company's Board of Directors until December 31, 2021, at which time she shand Mr. Rockandel was appointed in her place.
- On September 13, 2021, the Company reported its Mineral Resource and Mineral Reserve estimates as at June
- On December 20, 2021, the Company announced it had entered into a definitive agreement to acquire all of the is outstanding shares of <u>Josemaria Resources Inc.</u> ("Josemaria Resources") for an implied equity value of approxim million. The consideration will be subject to a total maximum cash consideration of approximately C\$183 million a maximum share consideration of approximately 39.7 million Lundin Mining shares, equating to 30% of the consid payable in cash and 70% payable in Lundin Mining shares. The Company will acquire 100% of the Josemaria copproject located in the San Juan Province of Argentina.
- On February 10, 2022, the Company announced the discovery of a new copper-gold mineralized system called S
 located approximately 15 kilometres north of the Chapada mine. Following the initial discovery of Sauva in Septer
 an aggressive exploration drilling campaign was commenced with five drill rigs to better define the potential size of
 discovery.

Financial Performance

- Gross profit for the year ended December 31, 2021 was \$1,369.7 million, an increase of \$871.6 million in compar prior year due primarily to higher realized metal prices (\$1,030.6 million), partially offset by higher production cost inflationary price increases.
- For the year ended December 31, 2021, net earnings of \$879.3 million were \$690.2 million higher than the prior y
 adjusted earnings of \$820.6 million were higher than the prior year primarily due to higher gross profit and higher
 investment in associates partially offset by higher income tax expense.

Financial Position and Financing

- Cash and cash equivalents increased by \$452.6 million during 2021, ending the year at \$594.1 million. Cash flow
 operations of \$1,485.0 million was used to fund capital expenditures of \$532.1 million and financing activities of \$
 including debt repayments, distributions of dividends to shareholders (\$227.4 million) and to non-controlling intere
 million).
- As at December 31, 2021, the Company had a net cash position of \$563.1 million. As at February 17, 2022, the Cash and net cash balances of approximately \$650.0 million and \$620.0 million, respectively.

Outlook

Production, cash cost and exploration investment guidance for 2022 remains unchanged from that provided on November 22, 2021 (see news release "Lundin Mining Provides Operational Outlook & Update"). Capital expenditure guidance for the operations has not changed, but the Company has approved a global Enterprise Resource Planning ("ERP") software upgrade project to optimize and standardize systems which is included in other capital expenditures in the guidance below.

2022 Production and Cash Cost Guidance

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		Producti	0	Cash Costs ^a	
Copper (t)	Candelaria (100%)				ĺ
	Chapada	53,000	Ē	58,000	\$1.60/lb ^c
	Eagle	15,000	Ŀ	18,000	
	Neves-Corvo	33,000	Ŀ	38,000	\$1.80/lb ^b
	Zinkgruvan	2,000	Ŀ	3,000	
	Total	258,000	Ŀ	282,000	
Zinc (t)	Neves-Corvo	110,000	Ŀ	120,000	
	Zinkgruvan	78,000	Ŀ	83,000	\$0.55/lb ^b
	Total	188,000	Ŀ	203,000	
Gold (oz)	Candelaria (100%)	83,000	Ŀ	88,000	
	Chapada	70,000	Ŀ	75,000	
	Total	153,000	Ŀ	163,000	
Nickel (t)	Eagle	15,000	Ŀ	18,000	\$(0.25)/lb

- a. Cash costs are based on various assumptions and estimates, including but not limited to: production volumes, as noted above, commodity prices (Cu: \$3.90/lb, Zn: \$1.15/lb, Pb: \$0.90/lb, Au: \$1,800/oz), foreign exchange rates (€/USD:1.20, USD/SEK:8.20, USD/CLP:700, USD/BRL:5.10) and production costs.
- b. 68% of Candelaria's total gold and silver production are subject to a streaming agreement and silver production at Zinkgruvan and Neves-Corvo are also subject to streaming agreements. Cash costs are calculated based on receipt of approximately \$420/oz gold and \$4.20/oz to \$4.52/oz silver.
- c. Chapada cash costs is calculated on a by-product basis and do not include the effects of its copper stream agreements. Effects of copper stream agreements are reflected in copper revenue and will impact realized revenue per pound.

2022 Capital Expenditure Guidance

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	(\$ millions)
Candelaria (100% basis)	370
Chapada	65
Eagle	10
Neves-Corvo	95
Zinkgruvan	60
Other	25
Total Sustaining Capitala	625
Zinc Expansion Project (Neves-Corvo)	30
Total Capital Expenditures	655

This is supplementary financial measure. Please refer to the Company's discussion of non-GAAP and other performance measures in its Management's Discussion and Analysis for the year ended December 31, 2021.

2022 Exploration Investment Guidance

Total planned exploration expenditures are expected to be \$45.0 million in 2022, unchanged from previous guidance. Approximately \$40.0 million will be spent supporting significant in-mine and near-mine targets at our operations (\$15.0 million at Candelaria, \$10.0 million at Chapada, \$8.0 million at Neves-Corvo, \$5.0 million at Zinkgruvan and \$2.0 million at Eagle). The remaining amounts are planned to advance activities on exploration stage and new business development projects.

About Lundin Mining

Lundin Mining is a diversified Canadian base metals mining company with operations in Brazil, Chile, Portugal, Sweden and the United States of America, primarily producing copper, zinc, gold and nickel.

The information in this release is subject to the disclosure requirements of Lundin Mining under the EU Market Abuse Regulation. The information was submitted for publication, through the agency of the contact persons set out below on February 17, 2022 at 17:30 Eastern Time.

Technical Information

The scientific and technical information in this press release has been prepared in accordance with the disclosure standards of National Instrument 43-101 ("NI 43-101") and has been reviewed and approved by Jeremy Weyland, P.Eng., Senior Manager of Studies of the Company, a "Qualified Person" under NI 43-101. Mr. Weyland has verified the data disclosed in this release and no limitations were imposed on his verification process.

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Measures

The Company uses certain performance measures in its analysis. These performance measures have no standardized meaning within generally accepted accounting principles under International Financial Reporting Standards and, therefore, amounts presented may not be comparable to similar data presented by other mining companies. For additional details please refer to the Company's discussion of non-GAAP and other performance measures in its Management's Discussion and Analysis for the year ended December 31, 2021 which is available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

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Adjusted EBITDA can be reconciled to the Company's Consolidated Statement of Earnings as follows:

	Three months en	ded December 31,	Twelve months ended December 31		
(\$thousands)	2021	2020	2020 2021 2020		
Net earnings	266,070	120,772	879,301	189,057	
Add back:					
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	145,367	85,338	522,764	447,474	
Finance income and costs	11,070	8,403	41,387	46,624	
Income taxes	127,495	18,393	365,686	152,421	
	550,002	232,906	1,809,138	835,576	
Unrealized foreign exchange	24,121	(280)	27,648	(12,582)	
Revaluation gain on derivative liability	4,581	(1,405)	3,836	21,812	
Revaluation of marketable securities	(2,795)	778	(7,094)	707	
Income from investment in associates	(2,661)	(322)	(24,895)	(3,302)	
Ore stockpile inventory write-down	65,025	<u> </u> -	65,025	-	
Business interruption insurance settlement	(16,000)	<u> </u> -	(16,000)	-	
Project standby and suspension costs	-	3,702	-	10,043	
Labour action costs	-	5,133	-	5,133	
Other	681	(5,715)	11,758	(518)	
Total adjustments - EBITDA	72,952	1,891	60,278	21,293	
Adjusted EBITDA	622,954	234,797	1,869,416	856,869	

Adjusted earnings and adjusted earnings per share can be reconciled to the Company's Consolidated Statement of Earnings as follows:

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	Three months December 31		Twelve months end December 31,		
(\$thousands, except share and per share amounts)	2021	2020	2021	2020	
Net earnings attributable to:					
Lundin Mining shareholders	228,780	119,199	780,348	168,7	
Add back:					
Total adjustments - EBITDA	72,952	1,891	60,278	21,29	
Tax effect on adjustments	(19,088)	(33)	(21,817)	11,88	
Deferred tax arising from foreign exchange on non-monetary balances	1,171	(1,653)	6,115	57,96	
Deferred tax arising from foreign exchange translation	(2,652)	(10,265)	(4,385)	(18,27	
Tax asset revaluations	-	-	-	5,675	
Prior period tax refund and interest	-	-	-	(19,16	
Other	368	(2,419)	64	(2,934	
Total	52,751	(12,479)	40,255	56,44	
Adjusted earnings	281,531	106,720	820,603	225,2	
Basic weighted average number of shares outstanding	735,233,287	734,346,812	736,789,666	734,0	
Net earnings attributable to shareholders	0.31	0.16	1.06	0.23	
Total adjustments	0.07	(0.01)	0.05	0.08	
Adjusted earnings per share	0.38	0.15	1.11	0.31	

Adjusted operating cash flow and adjusted operating cash flow per share can be reconciled to cash provided by operating activities as follows:

				Twelve months ended December 31,	
(\$thousands, except share a	and per share amounts)	2021	2020	2021	2020
Cash provided by operating	activities	384,177	172,665	1,484,954	565,888
Changes in non-cash workir	ng capital items	97,326	3,071	2,136	78,714
Adjusted operating cash flow	W	481,503	175,736	1,487,090	644,602
Basic weighted average nur	mber of shares outstanding	735,233,287	734,346,812	736,789,666	734,074,514
Adjusted operating cash flow	w per share	0.65	0.24	2.02	0.88

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Free cash flow can be reconciled to cash provided by operating activities as follows:

	Three mon December		Twelve months ended December 31,		
(\$thousands)	2021	2020 2021		2020	
Cash provided by operating activities	384,177	172,665	1,484,954	565,888	
Sustaining capital expenditures	(136,560)	(93,657)	(475,373)	(366,501)	
Free cash flow	247,617	79,008	1,009,581	199,387	

Net cash (debt) can be reconciled as follows:

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5163 , 0366 h (debt)	(63,223)	

Cash and All-in Sustaining Costs can be reconciled to the Company's operating costs as follows:

Twelve months ended December 31, 2021

Operations	Candelaria Chapada Eagle N		Neves-Corvo Zinkgruvan					
(\$000s, unless otherwise noted)	(Cu)	(Cu)	(Ni)	(Cu)	(Zn)	Total		
Sales volumes (Contained metal in concentrate):								
Tonnes	148,213	47,123	15,012	36,618	64,056			
Pounds (000s)	326,753	103,888	33,096	80,729	141,219			

Production costs 1,436,278

Less: Royalties and other (57,887)

Ore stockpile inventory write-down (65,025)

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Deduct: By-product credits						(646,950)	
Add: Treatment and refining charges	S					122,330	
Cash cost	494,213	108,782	(40,883)	152,416	74,218	788,746	
Cash cost per pound (\$/lb)	1.51	1.05	(1.24)	1.89	0.53		
Add: Sustaining capital expenditure	312,388	52,275	16,279	52,552	41,325		
Royalties	-	13,858	28,241	9,856	-		
Interest expense	4,818	3,436	708	75	71		
Leases & other	10,487	3,463	9,202	5,408	5,499		
All-in sustaining cost	821,906	181,814	13,547	220,307	121,113		
AISC per pound (\$/lb)	2.52	1.75	0.41	2.73	0.86		
(\$000s, unless otherwise noted)	2022 Guio	lance					
Cash cost	570,000	200,000	(10,000)	150,000	100,000		
Cash cost per pound(\$/lb)	1.55	1.60	(0.25)	1.80	0.55		
Twelve months ended December 31, 2020							
Operations	Candelaria	a Chapada	a Eagle	Neves-Corvo	o Zinkgruvar	า	
(\$000s, unless otherwise noted)	(Cu)	(Cu)	(Ni)	(Cu)	(Zn)	Total	
Sales volumes (Contained metal in	concentrate):					
Tonnes	123,183	47,119	12,481	30,799	62,150		
Pounds (000s)	271,572	103,879	27,516	67,900	137,017		
Production cost						1,095,911	
Less: Royalties and other						(47,906)	
Labour action cost						(5,133)	
						1,042,872	
Deduct: By-product credits						(516,436)	
Add: Treatment and refining charges	S					115,243	
Cash cost	394,919	30,399	2,620	141,945	71,796	641,679	
Cash cost per pound (\$/lb)	1.45	0.29	0.10	2.09	0.52		
Add: Sustaining capital expenditure	216,018	38,646	11,259	63,360	36,946		
Royalties	-	11,550	18,401	2,146	-		
Interest expense							

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Leases & other	6,945	2,588	8,082	6,818	2,974
All-in sustaining cost	622,124	87,623	41,612	214,632	111,784
AISC per pound (\$/lb)	2.29	0.84	1.51	3.16	0.82

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Operations	Candelaria	a Chapada	a Eagle	Neves-Corvo	zinkgruvar	n Total
(\$000s, unless otherwise noted)	(Cu)	(Cu)	(Ni)	(Cu)	(Zn)	
Sales volumes (Contained metal in concentrate):						
Tonnes	43,417	13,628	3,390	10,668	18,005	
Pounds (000s)	95,718	30,045	7,474	23,519	39,694	
Production costs						440,032
Less: Royalties and other						(15,192)
Ore stockpile inventory write-down						(65,025)
,						359,815
Deduct: By-product credits						(180,394)
Add: Treatment and refining charges						
Cash cost	125,630	32,255	(1,623)	36,065	23,057	215,384
Cash cost per pound (\$/lb)	1.31	1.07	(0.22)	1.53	0.58	
Add: Sustaining capital expenditure	85,747	14,419	3,865	19,204	13,013	
Royalties	-	4,061	6,307	4,280	-	
Interest expense	1,271	859	177	18	17	
Leases & other	2,557	980	1,968	1,244	1,251	
All-in sustaining cost	215,205	52,574	10,694	60,811	37,338	
AISC per pound (\$/lb)	2.25	1.75	1.43	2.59	0.94	

Three months ended December 31, 2020

Operations	Candelaria Chapada Eagle		Neves-Corvo Zinkgruvan Total				
(\$000s, unless otherwise noted)	(Cu)	(Cu)	(Ni)	(Cu)	(Zn)		
Sales volumes (Contained metal in concentrate):							
Tonnes	16,574	10,966	3,714	4,708	22,399		
Pounds (000s)	36,539	24,176	8,188	10,379	49,381		

Production costs 264,829

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Less: Royalties and other							
Labour action cost							
						239,005	
Deduct: By-product credits							
Add: Treatment and refining charges							
Cash cost	79,329	(4,382)	(7,317)	29,591	24,448	121,669	
Cash cost per pound (\$/lb)	2.17	(0.18)	(0.89)	2.85	0.50		
Add: Sustaining capital expenditure	36,289	18,659	2,331	23,612	12,764		
Royalties	-	3,676	5,201	325	-		
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