

Aya Gold & Silver Announces \$70 Million Bought Deal Offering of Common Shares

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MONTREAL, Jan. 17, 2023 - [Aya Gold & Silver Inc.](#) (TSX: AYA; OTCQX: AYASF) ("Aya" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that it has entered into an agreement pursuant to which Eight Capital and Desjardins Capital Markets, as joint bookrunners and co-lead underwriters, together with a syndicate of underwriters (collectively, the "Underwriters"), have agreed to purchase, on a bought deal basis, 8,485,000 common shares in the capital of the Company (the "Shares"), at a price of \$8.25 per Share (the "Issue Price") for gross proceeds of \$70,001,250 (the "Offering").

The Company has agreed to grant the Underwriters an over-allotment option to purchase up to an additional 15% of the Shares at the Issue Price, exercisable in whole or in part, at any time on or prior to the date that is 30 days following the closing of the Offering. If this option is exercised in full, approximately \$10,500,000 additional proceeds will be raised pursuant to the Offering and the aggregate proceeds of the Offering will be approximately \$80,500,000.

The Company intends to use the net proceeds of the Offering to advance its business objectives including for the advancement of its exploration program namely at Boumadine and Zgounder, the funding of the Zgounder expansion project, and for working capital and general corporate purposes.

The closing date of the Offering is scheduled to be on or about January 25, 2023, and is subject to certain conditions including, but not limited to, the receipt of all necessary approvals, including the approval of the Toronto Stock Exchange.

The Offering will be completed by way of a prospectus supplement (the "Supplement") to the short form base shelf prospectus of the Company dated January 12, 2023 (the "Base Prospectus"), which Supplement is expected to be filed on or prior to January 19, 2023 with the securities commissions and other similar regulatory authorities in each of the provinces of Canada and in such other jurisdictions as are agreed to by the Company and the Underwriters, in each case provided that no prospectus, registration statement or other similar document is required to be filed in such jurisdiction and that the Company will not be or become subject to any continuous disclosure obligations in such jurisdiction. The Base Prospectus and, once filed, the Supplement can be found on SEDAR at www.sedar.com, and contain important detailed information about the Offering.

This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of the securities in the United States or in any other jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful. The securities being offered have not been, nor will they be, registered under the United States *Securities Act of 1933*, as amended, and may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an applicable exemption from the registration requirements of the United States *Securities Act of 1933*, as amended, and applicable state securities laws.

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Per: "Benoit La Salle"

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President and Chief Executive Officer

About Aya Gold & Silver Inc.

[Aya Gold & Silver Inc.](#) is a rapidly growing, Canada-based silver producer with operations in the Kingdom of Morocco. The only TSX-listed pure silver mining company, Aya operates the high-grade Zgounder Silver Mine and is exploring its properties along the prospective South-Atlas Fault, several of which have hosted past-producing mines and historical resources. Aya's Moroccan mining assets are complemented by its Tijirit Gold Project in Mauritania, which is being advanced to feasibility. Aya's management team has been

focused on maximising shareholder value by anchoring sustainability at the heart of its operations, governance, and financial growth plans.

For additional information, please visit Aya's website at www.ayagoldsilver.com.

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Certain information in this news release related to the Company is forward-looking information and is prospective in nature. Forward-looking information is not based on historical facts, but rather on current expectations and projections about future events, and is therefore subject to risks and uncertainties which could cause actual results to differ materially from the future results expressed or implied by the forward-looking information. The information generally can be identified by the use of forward-looking words such as "may", "should", "could", "intend", "estimate", "plan", "anticipate", "expect", "believe" or "continue", or the negative thereof or similar variations. Forward-looking information in this news release include information regarding the intended use of proceeds of the Offering. There are numerous risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results and Aya's plans and objectives to differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking information, including: (i) adverse market conditions; (ii) risks inherent in the mineral production and exploration sectors in general; (iii) that the proceeds of the Offering may need to be used other than as set out in this news release and other factors beyond the control of the Company. Actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such information. These and all subsequent written and oral forward-looking information are based on estimates and opinions of management on the dates they are made and are expressly qualified in their entirety by this notice. Except as required by law, the Company does not intend to update this forward-looking information.

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