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## Condor Gold Plc ("Condor" or the "Company")

### Condor Gold Provides a Strategy Update and Appoints Advisor to Sell the Assets

Condor Gold (AIM: CNR; TSX: COG) announces that following a robust and economically attractive Bankable Feasibility Study also known as a Feasibility Study on the La India open pit it has appointed Hannam and Partners to seek a buyer for the assets of the Company. On 26 October 2022, a Feasibility Study Technical Report was filed on SEDAR titled Condor Gold Technical Report on the La India Gold Project, Nicaragua, 2022 dated October 25, 2022 (2022 FS) and is also available on the Company's website [www.condorgold.com](http://www.condorgold.com)

#### Mark Child, Chief Executive of Condor Gold, commented:

"Condor Gold has de-risked the La India Gold Project to a near construction-ready status with an 18 month construction period from receipt of project financing. The Board has reviewed the Company's options including going through a financing and construction phase as a single asset, single jurisdiction company with no existing gold production and has concluded it is in the best interests of the Company and all stakeholders to sell the assets of the Company to a gold producer with mine building expertise, thus ensuring a new mine at La India, a significant investment in the local area and a regeneration of the local communities.

The Company's strategy has been successfully executed, de-risking the assets so that a mine can be developed in 2 stages using the new SAG Mill that has already been purchased. The Company owns approximately 1,000 hectares of land over the area of the mine site infrastructure and has the key permits to construct and operate the mine. The delivery of a robust and economically attractive Feasibility Study on the single La India open pit demonstrates an average of 81,524 oz gold per annum for the initial 6 years for a relatively low total upfront capital cost of US\$106 Million. Two additional permitted high grade feeder pits can be added during the early years of production thus increasing early production to over 100,000 oz gold p.a. with a stage 2 expansion to 150,000 oz gold p.a. as detailed in the October 2021 PEA."

#### Background

The Company's principal asset is La India Project, Nicaragua, which comprises of a large, highly prospective land package of 588 sq km comprising of 12 contiguous and adjacent concessions. La India Project hosts a high grade Mineral Resource Estimate ("MRE") of 9,672 kt at 3.5g/t gold for 1,088,000 oz gold in the indicated mineral resource category and 8,642 kt at 4.3 g/t gold for 1,190,000 oz gold in the inferred mineral resource category. The open pit MRE is 8,693 kt at 3.2

g/t gold for 893,000 oz gold in the indicated mineral resource category and 3,026 kt at 3.0 g/t gold for 291,000 oz gold in the inferred mineral resource category. Total underground MRE is 979 kt at 6.2 g/t gold for 194,000 oz gold in the indicated mineral resource category and 5,615 kt at 5.0 g/t gold for 898,000 oz gold in the inferred mineral resource category.

Other assets include approximately 1,000 hectares of land purchased for the mine site infrastructure for circa US\$4.2M and a new SAG Mill package purchased for US\$6.5M.

The 2022 FS was completed on La India vein set open pit only, which has a MRE of 8,487 kt at 3.0g/t gold in for 827,000 oz gold in the indicated mineral resource category and 893 Kt at 2.4 g/t gold for 69,000 oz gold in the inferred mineral resource category.

The 2022 FS produced a Probable Mineral Reserve of 7.3Mt at 2.56g/t gold for 602,000 oz gold. Production averages 81,545 oz gold per annum for the first 6 years of an 8.4 year mine life. Low initial capital requirement of US\$105.5 million (including contingency and EPCM contract) and low average Life of Mine All-in Sustaining Cash costs (AISC) at US\$1,039 per oz gold

On 25 October 2021, the Company announced the results of a Preliminary Economic Assessment (PEA) and filed on SEDAR a technical report entitled “Condor Gold Technical Report on the La India Gold Project, Nicaragua, 2021” detailing average annual production of 150,000 oz of gold over the initial 9 years of production from open pit and underground Mineral Resources and provides an indication of a production target. Outside the main La India open pit Mineral Reserve, there are additional open pit Mineral Resources on four deposits (America, Mestiza, Central Breccia and Cacao) which represent an aggregate 206 Kt at 9.9 g/t gold for 66,000 oz in the indicated Mineral Resource category and 2.1Mt at 3.3 g/t gold for 223,000 oz gold in the inferred Mineral Resource category. In addition, there is an aggregate underground Mineral Resource (La India, America, Mestiza, Central Breccia San Lucas, Cristalito-Tatescame, and Cacao) of 979Kt at 6.2 g/t for 194,000 oz gold in the indicated Mineral Resource category and 5.6Mt at 5.0 g/t gold for 898,000 oz gold in the inferred Mineral Resource category.

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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.

The 2020 FS was filed on SEDAR on 26 October 2022 and replaces the previously reported Preliminary Economic Assessment titled Condor Gold Technical Report on the La India Gold Project, Nicaragua, 2021 dated October 2021 (“2021 PEA”) as presented in the Technical Report filed on SEDAR in October 2021 as the current technical report for the La India project.

The 2021 PEA considered the expanded Project inclusive of the exploitation of the Mineral Resources associated to the La India, Mestiza, America and Central Breccia deposits. The strategic study covers two scenarios: Scenario A, in which the mining is undertaken from four open pits, termed La India, America, Mestiza and Central Breccia Zone (“CBZ”), which targets a plant feed rate of 1.225 million tonnes per annum (“Mtpa”); and Scenario B, where the mining is extended to include three underground operations at La India, America and Mestiza, in which the processing rate is increased to 1.4 Mtpa. The 2021 PEA Scenario B presented a post-tax, post upfront capital expenditure NPV of US\$418 million, with an IRR of 54% and 12 month pay-back period, assuming a US\$1,700 per oz gold price, with average annual production of 150,000 oz gold per annum for the initial 9 years of gold production. The open pit mine schedules were optimised from designed pits, bringing higher grade gold forward resulting in average annual production of 157,000 oz gold in the first 2 years from open pit material and underground mining funded out of cashflow. The 2021 PEA Scenario A presented a post-tax, post upfront capital expenditure NPV of US\$302 million, with an IRR of 58% and 12 month pay-back period, assuming a US\$1,700 per oz gold price, with average annual production of approximately 120,000 oz gold per annum for the initial 6 years of gold production. The Mineral Resource estimate and associated Preliminary Economic Assessment contained in the 2021 PEA are considered a historical estimate within the meaning of NI 43-101, a qualified person has not done sufficient work to classify such historical estimate as current, and the Company is not treating the historical Mineral Resource estimate and associated studies as current,

and the reader is cautioned not to rely upon this data as such. Mineral Resources that are not Mineral Reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. The Company believes that the historical Mineral Resource estimate and Preliminary Economic assessment is relevant to the continuing development of the La India Project.

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. Condor has purchased a new SAG Mill, which has mainly arrived in Nicaragua. Site clearance and preparation is at an advanced stage.

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.

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#### Qualified Persons

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

#### Technical Information

Certain disclosure contained in this news release of a scientific or technical nature has been reviewed by the Qualified Persons responsible for their respective components of the 2022 FS as defined below:

- On behalf of SRK: Dr Tim Lucks of SRK Consulting (UK) Limited, Mr Fernando Rodrigues and Mr Ben Parsons of SRK Consulting (U.S.) Inc., Mr Parsons assumes responsibility for the Mineral Resource Estimate, Mr Fernando Rodrigues for the Mineral Reserve estimate and the open pit mining study and production schedule, and Dr Lucks for the oversight of the remaining SRK technical disciplines.
- On behalf of Hanlon: Mike Rockandel for the Process design and Project Infrastructure and corresponding operating and capital costs.
- On Behalf of Tierra Group: Justin Knudsen P.E. for the tailings waste management and La Simona water attenuation structure design.

## Forward Looking Statements

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