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Diamond Drill Program Commences at Ianna, Guyana

Alicanto Minerals Ltd (ASX: AQI) ("Alicanto" or "the Company") is pleased to report drilling has commenced on a **2,500m diamond drill program** to be completed over the coming months at the 100% held 115km² Ianna Gold Project area. The program will target multiple northwest trending mineralised structures in the highly prospective Barama-Mazaruni Greenstone Belt.

Diamond drilling will test six priority targets (refer to ASX release dated 13 September 2017) including several extensions to previously identified mineralisation as well as a number new targets recently identified following Alicanto's extensive surface sampling program. Priority targets include;

- Extensional drilling on shallowly drilled mineralisation targeting historical intersections
 of up to 50m @ 2.47g/t gold from 10m depth will test for down dip plunge of the
 mineralised zone based on Alicanto's recent geological modelling.
- Additional 'D-Zone' target drill testing to define strike extent to known mineralisation includes:
 - 50m step-out on a westerly trending mineralised corridor which returned better intercepts of 14m @ 4.27g/t gold from 24m drill depth and 12m @ 3.84g/t from 20m.
 - o a diamond hole will follow up on an extensive zone of historical RC drilling containing multiple intercepts of +5g/t gold.
- 'A-Zone' target comprising >3km of mineralised strike extent will include >250m step out drilling from historical holes containing 58m @ 0.82g/t gold.
- King's Ransom drilling to test for extensions of mineralisation along strike from historic RC drilling containing 12m @ 3.99g/t gold
- Maiden drill program testing one of the largest artisanal pits in the district, where recent surface channels returned assay up to **6m @ 6.91g/t gold**.
- Initial drill tests on the southern extent of the Ianna granodiorite intrusion host to peak rock chip values of **251g/t gold** and peak soil results of **5.74 and 5.57g/t gold**.
- Initial drill test beneath high grade surface anomalism, including up to 37g/t Au in soils located just off section from historic drilling containing up to 6m @ 3.08g/t gold.

CAPITAL STRUCTURE

Shares on Issue 112m
Share Price A\$ 0.135
Market Cap \$15m
ASX Code AQI
Listed Options 13.4m

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TWO GOLD PROJECTS IN GUYANA

- Highly prospective Northwest Guiana Shield Greenstone Belt
- Mining friendly jurisdiction

ARAKAKA GOLD PROJECT

- +1 million ounce Au historical production in near surface
- Footprint of artisanal workings analogous to Las Cristinas / Las Brisas and Gros Rosebel Mines

IANNA GOLD PROJECT

- >7km of mineralisation on 2 corridors with drill ready targets
- Historical production dating back more than 100 years

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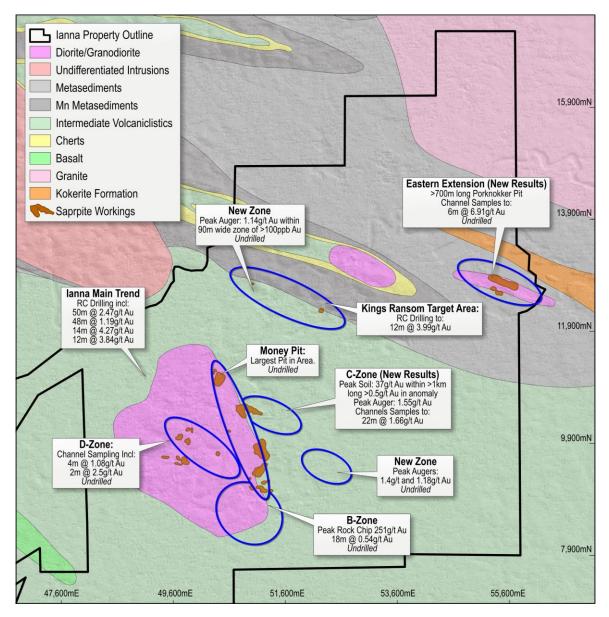


Figure 1 | Alicanto District Geology Map with summary of recent and historical exploration results in the lanna project of the Northwest Mining District, Guyana.

Ianna Project Summary

The Ianna Gold Project is located in Guyana Northwest Mining District (refer to Figure 2), less than 20km southeast from Alicanto's ongoing exploration operations at the Arakaka Gold Project, where ongoing drilling is currently being funded under an Earn-in agreement with Barrick Gold Corp. (refer to ASX Release dated 1 March 2016).

Current work and planned drilling is focused on three corridors of mineralisation, including the Gomes-Ianna trend, the King's Ransom trend, and the Eastern extension (see Figure 1). The Gomes-Ianna and King's Ransom trends are both host to mineralisation identified in existing drilling associated with extensive surface geochemical survey work, including over 12,400m of Reverse Circulation and 926m of diamond in historical drilling. The historical drilling covers limited strike extent to shallow depth, with \sim 95% of drilling testing less than 50m below surface and a significant proportion of holes ending in mineralisation (refer to announcement dated 26 July for comprehensive summary of results and related JORC Table 1).

Recent work by Alicanto has focused on surface mapping and sampling campaign to verify and expand identified gold mineralisation from historical work. From these programmes, six targets have been prioritised for drill testing.

The Project has excellent infrastructure, including existing camp facilities, an existing airstrip and river port landing on the property, and can be accessed by road from the Arakaka Project area.

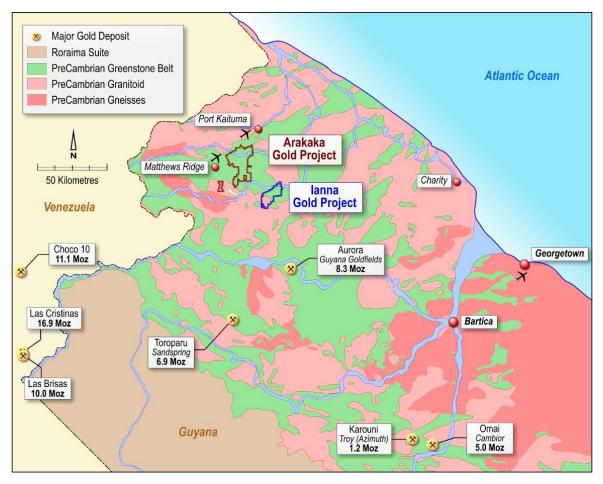


Figure 2 | Location of Arakaka and Ianna gold projects located in the Northwest Mining District of Guyana on modified geology from the Guyana Geology and Mines Commission's Geological Map of Guyana, 1987

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For detailed information on all aspects of the company and its project please visit: www.alicantominerals.com.au or contact: Travis Schwertfeger - Managing Director +61 8 6279 9452

About Alicanto Minerals

Alicanto Minerals Limited (ASX: AQI) is an emerging mineral exploration company focused on the exploration and development of the Arakaka and Ianna gold projects in the prospective geological province of Guyana's Northwest Mining District. In addition to the exploration of its current Guyanese projects, the Company is continually evaluating additional projects in Guyana and elsewhere for potential joint venture or acquisition.

Competent Persons Statement

The information in this report that relates to Exploration Results is based on information compiled by Mr Marcus Harden, who is a Member of The Australian Institute of Geoscientists. Mr Harden is the Chief Geologist for the Company. Mr Harden has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposits under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the JORC 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Mr Harden consents to their inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.