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### **Projects**

### Lithium Projects (Brazil)

Juremal Custodia Jacurici Cerro Cora and Porta D'Agua

## Wabag Project (PNG)

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# ASX Announcement/Press Release | 24 January 2023 Gold Mountain Limited (ASX:GMN)

## Gold Mountain Restructures its Brazilian Lithium JV Portfolio

Moves to 75% holding in JV with Mars Mines

### **Corporate highlights**

- Gold Mountain will acquire an additional 55% holding in the Brazil-based Juremal, Custodia, Jacurici, Cerro Cora and Porta D'Agua Projects, to increase from 20% to 75% after reaching a purchase agreement with joint venture (JV) partner Mars Mines.
- As part of the agreement:
  - Gold Mountain will pay Mars \$0.3m in cash to immediately acquire a further 55% interest in the JV, increasing from 20% to 75% interest
  - Mars Mines will remain free carried for its 25% holding until a decision to mine is made
  - o Removal of the \$2.75m JV earn-in commitment
- The now simplified JV structure flowing from this reworked agreement will give Gold Mountain much more control over the quantum, location and timing of exploration-related expenditures on these highly prospective assets.
- As a result of this arrangement, the consolidation of all these highly prospective Brazilian lithium assets will now be managed in-house by Gold Mountain under a single, newly created "Brazilian Lithium Projects" business unit.
- ❖ The JV will still leverage off Mars Mines' vast expertise in lithium exploration.
- Gold Mountain has already commenced a recruitment drive to engage in-country senior and junior geologists in Brazil to help oversee and manage the JV's exploration programs.
- Senior Gold Mountain staff are scheduled to travel to Brazil in late January or early February 2023 to plan and implement a staged exploration program with the aim of identifying drill targets in these now majority-owned assets.
- A review of all the sample results received to date from the project areas is underway to identify the most prospective areas within the project areas to target follow up exploration work.



Gold Mountain Limited (ASX:GMN) ("Gold Mountain" or the "Company") is pleased to announce the signing of an agreement with Mars Mines Limited (Mars) that effectively restructures and simplifies the joint venture (JV) previously in place covering the Juremal, Custodia, Jacurici, Cerro Cora and Porta D'Agua Projects. The original JV terms, first announced to the market on 19 September 2022, provided for an initial 20% interest in these assets to be held by Gold Mountain, with the ability to move to a 75% interest in the projects through \$2.75m in JV expenditure within a two-year period. The revised terms, which will become effective on 31 January 2023, will see Gold Mountain immediately move to a 75% JV interest. As part of the arrangement, the Company will make a \$0.3m cash payment to Mars.

Mars will remain free carried for its 25% until a decision to mine is made.



Figure 1. Location of Gold Mountain's Brazilian Lithium Project portfolio



**Gold Mountain's Chief Executive Officer & Managing Director Tim Cameron said:** "We are delighted by the revised terms now attached to our Brazilian asset JV with Mars Mines, which align with those for our recently announced transaction at Salinas II. This reworked arrangement which has us taking a 75% holding in these assets, is clearly in the best interests of our shareholders. It will allow a more efficient and effective way to manage our substantial Brazilian lithium interests going forward. It also means we will definitely have much more control over the quantum, location and timing of exploration-related expenditures on these highly prospective assets.

We are already taking advantage of the additional flexibility now inherent in our Brazilian exploration strategy. A review of all the sample results received to date from the JV project has commenced with the aim of identifying the most prospective areas within the project areas to target. Senior Gold Mountain management will soon be on the ground in Brazil, tasked with laying the groundwork for a staged exploration program. We are also quickly moving to put in place our own team of Brazil-based geologists to help oversee and manage the JV's evolving exploration programs."

This ASX announcement has been authorised by the Board of Gold Mountain Limited

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#### **About Us**

Gold Mountain (ASX:GMN) is a mineral explorer with projects based in Brazil and Papua New Guinea (PNG). These assets, which are highly prospective for a range of metals including lithium, copper and gold, are now actively being explored.

Gold Mountain has gradually diversified its project portfolio. The Company has a 75% holding in a package of highly prospective lithium licenses located within the eastern Brazilian lithium belt, spread over parts of the Borborema Province and São Francisco craton in north-eastern Brazil. More recently, Gold Mountain announced plans to acquire a 75% interest in a package of seven highly prospective lithium exploration licenses located in the Salinas II Project area in eastern Brazil.

In PNG, Gold Mountain is exploring the Wabag Project, which covers approximately 950km² of highly prospective exploration ground in the Papuan Mobile belt. This project contains three targets, Mt Wipi, Monoyal and Sak Creek, all lying within a northwest-southeast striking structural corridor. The three prospects have significant potential to host a porphyry copper-gold-molybdenum system and, or a copper-gold skarn system. Gold Mountain's current focus is Mt Wipi, which has been subjected to several phases of exploration, and the potential to host a significant copper-gold deposit is high. The current secondary targets are, in order of priority, Monoyal and Sak Creek.

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