

# SUMATRA COPPER & GOLD PLC

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# **Belinau Underground Mine Update**

Sumatra Copper & Gold plc ("the Company") is pleased to provide the following update on the Belinau underground mine at its Tembang gold-silver operation located in southern Sumatra, Indonesia.

During October the Company commenced a geological review of the ore body interpretations for the Belinau, Siamang and Berenai deposits. This review focussed on determining the potential for resource extensions, incorporating the most recent mapping and grade control data from the current mining operations. Significant findings to date from the review of the Belinau underground mine are summarised as follows.

### **Belinau Depth Extensions**

The high grade gold mineralisation currently being exploited from underground at Belinau is from the main Belinau vein which has averaged, from the start of August to the end of October 2016, between 1.0 to 1.5 metres in width at a grade of 7 to 8 g/t gold and 70 to 80 g/t silver<sup>1</sup> (8 to 9 g/t AuEq<sup>2</sup>).

Underground face mapping and sampling have enabled the mine geologists to develop a better understanding of the controls to the mineralisation using vein textures and structures encountered during mining.

A recent review of the diamond drill core from the various drilling programs carried out between 2010 and 2015 determined that two of the deepest drill holes (RDD10092 & RDD10113) did not intersect the Belinau vein or host structure. Wireframing of the Belinau vein from drilling and underground mapping information indicates that these two deep holes stopped short of intersecting the vein by as little as 10 metres (Figure 1).

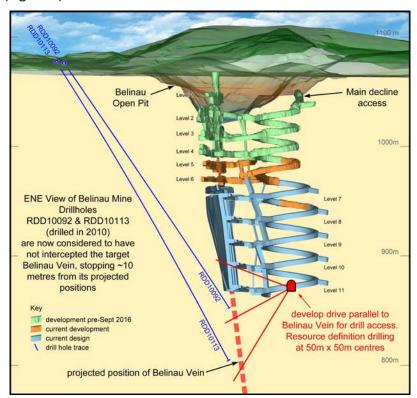


Figure 1: End view (looking ENE) of the Belinau underground mine showing 'near misses' for holes RDD10092 and RDD10113 and the proposed resource definition drilling program



A program of resource definition drilling is currently being planned to drill the projected positions of the Belinau vein at 50 metre centres from a strike parallel drive on Level 11. The drilling will test for potential depth extensions below Level 11 over almost the entire strike length of the deposit as it is currently known (Figures 1 and 2).

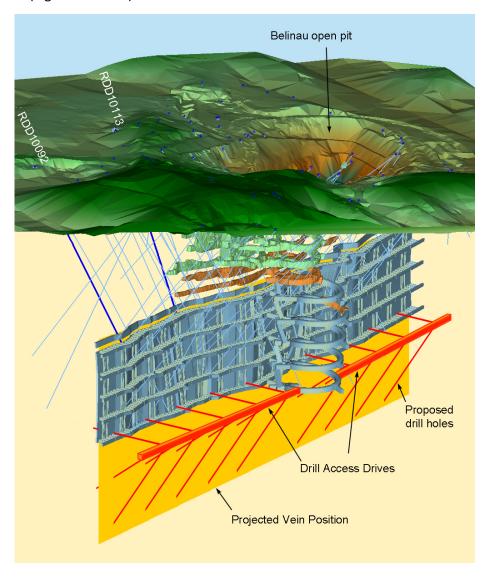


Figure 2: Oblique view of the Belinau open pit and underground mine showing the location of the proposed drill access drives and resource definition drilling program to test the projected extensions of the Belinau vein

## **Belinau Mine Reconciliations**

There has been a positive reconciliation between the Belinau resource block model to that mined from August to the end of October 2016, with an increase in tonnes (12%), gold grade (23%), silver grade (119%), and gold equivalent grade<sup>1</sup> (35%), resulting in an increase in contained gold ounces by 37% and silver ounces by 145%.

The above reconciliations only compared that part of the resource model that has been mined from Levels 5 and 6, and may not necessarily be reflective of the total resource model. The Company currently is updating the Belinau underground resource model, using the increased geological knowledge and mining grade control data, as part of the annual update of the Company's Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Note: Based upon actual mined for Levels 5 and 6 in the Belinau underground mine for the period August 2016 to October 2016 inclusive.

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## **About Sumatra Copper & Gold plc**

Sumatra Copper & Gold plc (ASX: SUM) is a gold and silver producer and precious metals explorer in southern Sumatra, Indonesia. The Company's flagship asset is its Tembang gold-silver mine, currently in production. The Company also has an extensive exploration portfolio with projects ranging from brownfield, near-production opportunities to strategically located greenfield holdings.

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Note: "AuEq" = Gold equivalent ounces, calculated each month as: Au production + Ag production / [ Gold price / Silver price ]. AuEq production for September quarter = Au production + (Ag production / 68).



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