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**THE PHILIPPINES ANNOUNCES THE LIFTING OF THE MORATORIUM ON
EXPLORATION LICENSES**

**ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE
AND AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES EXCHANGE**

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The Board of RTG Mining Inc. ("**RTG**", the "**Company**") (**TSX Code: RTG, ASX Code: RTG**) is pleased to announce the completion of the audit of all mining operations pursuant to Department of Environment and Natural Resources ("**DENR**") Memorandum Order No. 2016-01, re: *Audit of All Operating Mines and Moratorium on New Mining Projects*. In line with the President's Economic Agenda, particularly on increasing competitiveness and the ease of doing business to attract local and foreign direct investment to the country, the moratorium on the acceptance, processing and/or approval of applications for Exploration Permit for metallic and non-metallic minerals has been lifted.

This is the second new mining policy measure in recent months that has been adopted by the new Secretary of the DENR, General Roy Cimatu, following on from the lifting of the moratorium on government approvals for small scale mining projects last month.

RTG believes this is both a welcome and positive development for the industry and looks forward to further confirmed progress particularly in relation to the permitting of new environmentally and socially responsible mines which adopt world best practices.

ABOUT RTG MINING INC

RTG Mining Inc. is a mining and exploration company listed on the main board of the Toronto Stock Exchange and Australian Securities Exchange Limited. RTG is focused on a proposal with a landowner lead consortium to secure an exploration licence at the high tonnage copper-gold Panguna Project in Bougainville PNG and the high grade copper/gold/magnetite Mabilo Project in the Philippines, while also identifying major new projects which will allow the Company to move quickly and safely to production.

RTG has an experienced management team which has to date developed seven mines in five different countries, including being responsible for the development of the Masbate Gold Mine in the Philippines through CGA Mining Limited, and has B2Gold as one of its major shareholders in the Company. B2Gold is a member of both the S&P/TSX Global Gold and Global Mining Indices.

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