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BOUGOUNI LITHIUM PROJECT UPDATE

Promising early signs from maiden drilling campaign at Goulamina Lithium Deposit

HIGHLIGHTS

- Broad zones of lithium bearing pegmatite logged in drilling beneath outcropping high grade lithium mineralisation
- Geological continuity of shallow dipping mineralised zone confirmed by drilling along strike and at depth.
- Multiple additional lithium-rich pegmatites identified by detailed mapping in close proximity to the Goulamina Main Zone.
- Second drill rig expected on site shortly
- Potential to rapidly advance to Scoping Study and subsequent Pre-Feasibility Study

Birimian Gold Limited (ASX:BGS; "Birimian Gold" and "Company") is pleased to provide an update on progress at the Company's 100%-owned Bougouni Lithium Project in southern Mali.

The Bougouni Lithium Project comprises a large licence area spanning some 250 km², and hosts the potential high-grade, bulk-tonnage Goulamina lithium deposit.

The Company's maiden drilling campaign at Bougouni commenced in early May focusing at Goulamina. Reverse Circulation (RC) drilling has intersected broad zones of spodumene (lithium) bearing pegmatite, and confirmed the geological continuity of the mineralised body along the northern portion of the Goulamina zone. Step out diamond drilling to evaluate the mineralised pegmatite at depth is expected to commence in approximately one week.

Detailed mapping of the deposit outcrop and immediate surrounds has identified multiple additional lithium bearing pegmatites, representing significant new targets for drill testing during the current program.

Program Update

The RC drill rig is making steady progress through highly competent ground, as it tests shallow depth extensions of mineralisation over the 700m long surface expression of the Goulamina deposit. To date, a total of 18 RC holes for 1,595m of drilling have been completed on the northern portion of the target area. Drilling has been planned on nominal 50m to 100m spaced drill sections along the interpreted mineralised zone (Figure 1). First assay results are expected by the end of June/early July.

A diamond drill rig is expected on site shortly to augment the RC program with deeper drill holes to confirm geological and grade continuity. In addition, diamond drilling will provide material suitable for additional processing test work, complementing previous test work by CSA Global consultants that yielded a high quality, chemical grade, lithium concentrate.

Adding to the overall potential of the Project, detailed mapping of the Goulamina deposit outcrop and surrounds has identified multiple additional spodumene (lithium) bearing pegmatites, located approximately 100 metres to the west and south-west of the main outcrop currently being targeted by drilling (see Figure 1). The subcropping mineralised pegmatites occur over widths up to 5 metres and strike broadly parallel, and in some instances obliquely, to the main zone at Goulamina. These previously unidentified trends represent **significant new targets for drill testing during the current program.**

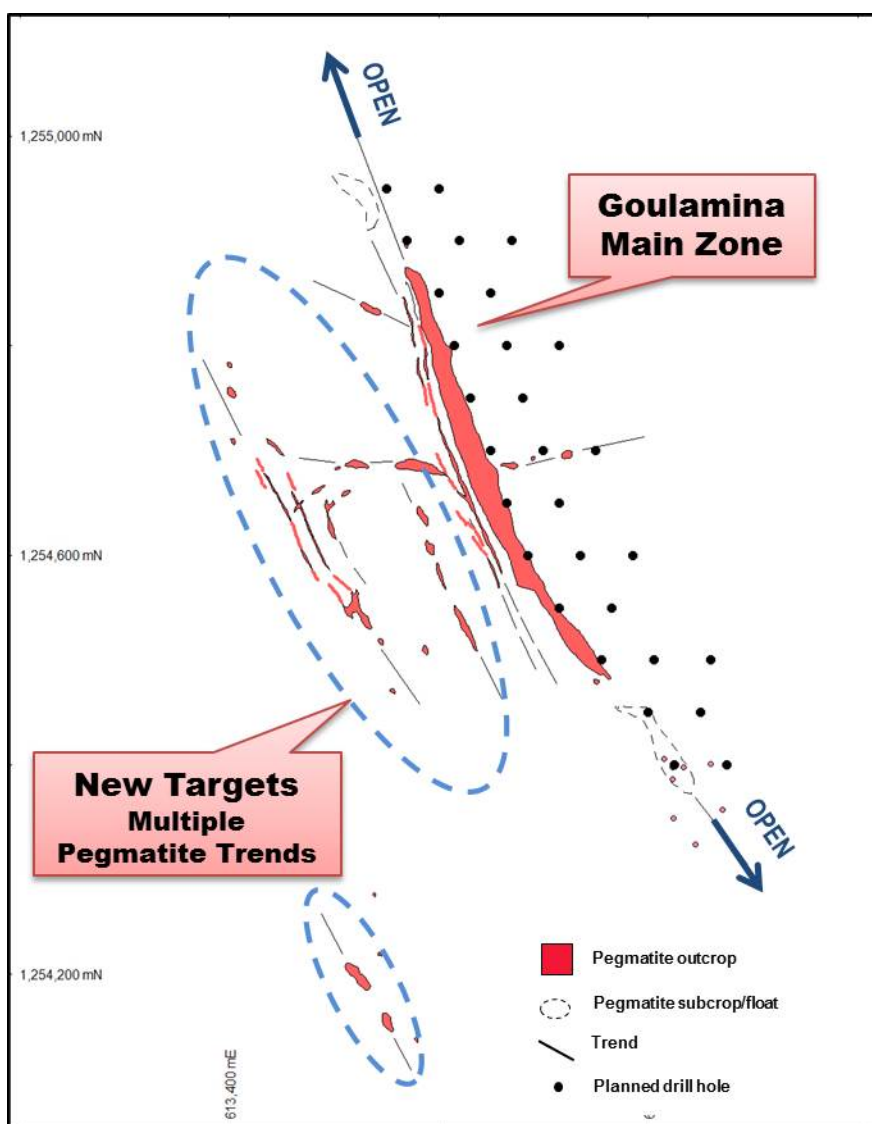


Figure 1. Goulamina Deposit. Lithium Pegmatite Outcrop Map.

Information derived from detailed outcrop mapping and RC drill-chip logging has enhanced the understanding of the mineralisation at Goulamina. The main zone is a highly continuous, moderately east dipping, granite-hosted body which is up to 30m wide down hole. Pegmatitic granite, hosting multiple parallel mineralised dykes, is common on the western side of the main outcrop. Very coarse grained spodume-rich pegmatite typically occurs on the eastern portion (hangingwall) of the pegmatite zone. Strike extensions of mineralisation are inferred at surface from spodumene-bearing float and sparse subcrop along trend from the main outcrop. Drilling at depth on the northern portion of the main zone has confirmed the continuation of the host pegmatite in this area. Importantly, mineralisation remains open along strike beneath shallow soil cover.

The current drilling program is intended to provide the necessary geological and grade data to, if appropriate, estimate an initial JORC compliant resource at Goulamina. This first phase work program is intended to provide inputs for a Scoping Study which will, subject to a positive outcome, define the parameters of subsequent phases of detailed work on the deposit, leading to eventual Pre-Feasibility and Feasibility Studies.

Goulamina Deposit

The Goulamina Lithium Deposit indicates significant high-grade and bulk tonnage potential. The deposit is situated in close proximity to a sealed highway, grid power and abundant water, with the Selingue hydroelectric power station located some 45km to the north west.

An initial Exploration Target at Goulamina is estimated in the range of **15Mt to 18Mt at grades between 1.8% and 2.2% Li₂O** (see ASX release 2 March 2016)*. Mineralisation is open along strike in outcrop and geological evidence suggests strike extensions are likely beneath shallow soil cover. Hard-rock deposits which are currently under development host resources in the range of 16Mt at 1.1% Li₂O (Mt Cattlin, Galaxy Resources) to 23Mt at 1.4% Li₂O (Mt Marion, Neometals).

* The Company notes that this Exploration Target is reported in accordance with the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (2012 Edition). No drilling has been undertaken on the Project area. The potential quantity and grade of this Exploration Target is therefore conceptual in nature. There has been insufficient work to estimate a Mineral Resource and it is uncertain if further exploration will result in the estimation of a Mineral Resource.

Processing test work has confirmed the viability of the pegmatite at Goulamina to produce **a high quality chemical grade lithium concentrate**. Test results show good spodumene (lithium) recoveries (84.7%) and high mass yield **to produce a high quality chemical grade (6.7%) spodumene concentrate**. For reference, concentrate grades of 6% are typically demanded by global lithium carbonate producers.



“Crowded” spodumene rock at Goulamina

Lithium

The lithium market has recently seen strong demand, constrained supply, and increasing lithium prices. Future demand for lithium looks likely to be even stronger, driven primarily by uptake of lithium batteries for electric cars and static storage. Significantly, lithium battery production capacity is set to triple by 2020.

Spodumene is the main lithium bearing mineral in most hard rock lithium deposits. Ores are typically upgraded at the mine site by crushing, screening and dense media separation techniques to produce a spodumene concentrate. Chemical grade concentrate, typically containing 6% Li₂O, is sold and converted into lithium carbonate and lithium hydroxide for use in battery manufacturing and other industrial applications. The current lithium concentrate (6%) price is approximately US\$450/t.

Birimian's Goulamina Deposit has returned highly favourable initial processing testwork results; concentrate grades of 6.7% at Goulamina are in excess of those demanded by global lithium carbonate producers.

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Competent Persons Declaration

The information in this announcement that relates to exploration results is based on information compiled by or under the supervision of Kevin Anthony Joyce. Mr Joyce is Managing Director of Birimian Gold Limited and a Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists. Mr Joyce has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and the activity he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results. Mr Joyce consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

Previous Reported Results

There is information in this announcement relating to previous Exploration Results at the Bougouni Project. The Company confirms that it is not aware of any other new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcement, and that all material assumptions and technical parameters have not materially changed. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original market announcement.

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