



**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**  
FOR THE SECOND QUARTER ENDED JUNE 30, 2022 AND 2021  
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**2022**



# CERRADO GOLD INC.

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### INTRODUCTION

The following Management's Discussion & Analysis ("MD&A") dated August 25, 2022 is a review of the business activities and overview of financial position for Cerrado Gold Inc. ("Cerrado" or the "Company") for the second quarter ended June 30, 2022 and 2021. The MD&A should be read in conjunction with the Company's unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements (the "Cerrado Financial Statements") for the second quarter ended June 30, 2022 and 2021, which were prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), as issued by the International accounting Standards Board ("IASB").

This MD&A also reports on items deemed significant that occurred between June 30, 2022 and the date on which the MD&A is approved by the Company's Board of Directors, which is August 25, 2022, inclusively.

The information provided in this MD&A and the unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements are the responsibility of management. In the preparation of these statements, estimates are sometimes necessary to make a determination of future values for certain assets or liabilities. Management believes such estimates have been based on careful judgments and have been properly reflected in the audited financial statements.

Unless otherwise indicated, all reference to "dollar" or the use of the symbol "\$" are to the United States dollar in this Management Discussion and Analysis.

### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENT AND USE OF ESTIMATES

This MD&A contains "forward-looking statements" and "forward-looking information" (collectively, "forward-looking information") within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities legislation. All information contained in this news release, other than statements of current and historical fact, is forward-looking information. Often, but not always, forward-looking information can be identified by the use of words such as "plans", "expects", "budget", "guidance", "scheduled", "estimates", "forecasts", "strategy", "target", "intends", "objective", "goal", "understands", "anticipates" and "believes" (and variations of these or similar words) and statements that certain actions, events or results "may", "could", "would", "should", "might" "occur" or "be achieved" or "will be taken" (and variations of these or similar expressions). Forward-looking information is also identifiable in statements of currently occurring matters which may continue in the future, such as "providing the Company with", "is currently", "allows/allowing for", "will advance" or "continues to" or other statements that may be stated in the present tense with future implications. All of the forward-looking information in this MD&A is qualified by this cautionary note. Detailed information regarding risks and uncertainties is provided in the Risk and Uncertainties section of the MD&A.

In preparing consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRS, management must exercise judgment when applying accounting policies and use assumptions and estimates that affect the amounts of the assets, liabilities, and expenses reported in the consolidated financial statements.

Because the use of assumptions and estimates is inherent to the financial reporting process, the actual results of items subject to assumptions and estimates could differ from original assumptions and estimates.

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### COMPANY OVERVIEW & BACKGROUND

Cerrado is a public gold mining and exploration Company with assets in Argentina and Brazil. Cerrado began trading on the TSX Venture Exchange on February 25, 2021 under the symbol "CERT".

In Argentina, Cerrado is focused on its producing Minera Don Nicolás gold mine ("MDN") located in the mineral rich Deseado Massif in the province of Santa Cruz, Argentina. MDN has been in production since 2017.

The gold deposits at MDN are classified as epithermal gold vein style deposits typical of the region which is host to numerous large-scale gold operations. Cerrado commenced an exploration program in 2021 with the target of confirming the current resource base and on expanding the mine life through further exploration on surface and at depth.

In Brazil, the Company is advancing its Monte Do Carmo gold project ("MDC"). MDC consists of 20 exploration permits totaling 82,541 hectares ("ha's") in the state of Tocantins. The MDC project is expected to be one of the lowest cost gold producers globally, and as demonstrated by the results of Preliminary Economic Assessment ("PEA") is expected to deliver outstanding economics for Cerrado shareholders with an after-tax NPV5% of \$617 million and IRR of 94.8%. The PEA is supported by the updated Mineral Resource Estimate of 1.3Moz and is constrained solely to the Serra Alta Deposit. As Cerrado completes its infill campaign and the Feasibility Study ("FS") at Serra Alta the focus will shift to exploring the some 30kms of mineralized trends identified by our exploration team in Brazil. The Company expects to complete the FS on the Serra Alta deposit by Q1 2023 and is rapidly advancing several studies as well as permitting to fast track this outstanding project into production.

### OUTLOOK

In Argentina, Cerrado remains focused on continued operational improvement initiatives at MDN to increase efficiencies and enhance production. The Company expects to continue to see lower head grades in the third quarter whilst developing new mining targets. Gold grades averaging 3.2 g/t are expected during Q3 2022 returning to 3.8 – 4.0 g/t in Q4 2022.

At the operational level the focus remains on enhanced dilution control activities, tightening in pit ore control processes to further increase the average head-grades delivered to the mill and improve recovery rates while sustaining mill throughput rates at 1,100 – 1,200 tpd. Over the course of 2022, the Company expects the ongoing operational improvements to achieve the yearly production target of 45,000 - 50,000 ounces.

Management is encouraged by the exploration programs initiated this year and our view that significant exploration potential exists at the property remains unchanged. Our aim with the 2022 program is to extend the mine life through the identification of additional mineralization in current open pit mining areas as well as underground. Exploration work remains ongoing to focus on growing the known resources at MDN beyond those outlined in the Mineral Resource Estimate ("MRE") reported February 17, 2021. Focus remains on drilling high grade near surface targets that can readily be brought into the mine plan as well as the continued regional program to better understand the potential of the significant land package at MDN. Additionally, planning for future deeper drilling with the potential of extending the high-grade underground resource at MDN has started. Current operations at MDN have been limited to open pit operations where most mines in the region have evolved from open pit to underground. Cerrado also plans to investigate the potential to move to some targeted underground operations in the future. The exploration program for 2022 allows for exploration work focusing on targets to increase the underground resources. A consultant has been appointed to assist the on-site team with the necessary studies and test work required to evaluate the potential and needs associated with underground operations.

Two heap leach development scenarios are currently being evaluated in terms of scale and production rates. The overall project considers the mining of various ore deposits and could support an increase in gold production of approximately 20,000 to 40,000 ounces of annual gold production at the Minera Don Nicolás operations with production depending on the development plan selected.

The initial project would target the exploitation of the Las Calandrias and Escondido deposits followed by low grade ore and stockpiles from Martinetas and the surrounding area. The Company has completed its Internal Preliminary Economic Assessment to develop a gold heap leach for the Calandrias resource. The initial life of the project exceeds 3 years and is expected to deliver approximately 25,000 ounces per annum. Recent laboratory work has confirmed that material from the primary zone can be economically recovered, and early indications are that mine life will be

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extended by at least another year beyond what has already been contemplated. Extensive work and studies have been completed for the Environmental Impact Assessment which will be filed early in the third quarter. Detailed design of the processing plant and pad have been completed and fabrication work has started. Construction of the pad will commence in Q4. Gold production is anticipated at the end of the first quarter 2023.

The Company is also completing an internal study for a second heap leach at Martinetas. Over the longer term this is expected to allow MDN to focus on processing higher grade material through the milling and CIL plant, while lower grade ores will be processed via heap leaching. The final study and development decision are expected by the end of the second quarter 2023 and initial production would be expected by the end of the fourth quarter 2023. Based on the contained ounces within the current known resources and stockpile, Cerrado estimates this could sustain operations for approximately 4 years at an average of 20,000 ounces per annum. Future exploration and ongoing mining is expected to define additional resources to sustain the operation thereafter. Capital costs are currently estimated at between \$15-\$20 million and All-In Sustaining Costs ("AISC") are targeted at approximately \$1,100/oz depending on the scale of the initial plant.

In Brazil, the Company continues to focus on numerous fronts to support the completion of the FS for the Serra Alta Deposit. Infill drilling continued in the quarter and completed to August 10<sup>th</sup> includes 19,600 metres of infill drilling, 8,500 metres of exploratory drilling, and 3,480 metres of sterilization drilling with the use of 7 drill rigs. Regarding Serra Alta, to date assay results of 77 full infill drill holes have been received, and results to date continue to support the conversion of Inferred Resources to the Measured and Indicated categories. In addition, four exploratory drill holes to the east of the East Zone of Serra Alta have been completed demonstrating some expansion of the resource to the east of Serra Alta. An additional 2,600m of drilling were included in the infill program to target potential areas to expand the Indicated Resources in Serra Alta.

Exploration drilling also continues at MDC, to date we have received 10 full drill hole results from the Capitão and Gogo do Onca ("Gogo") targets. Initial drilling in the Gogo target is extremely encouraging as the main mineralization controls seen at the Serra Alta deposit are replicated at Gogo. Currently one drill rig has been allocated to this maiden target. Some 3,700 metres are already drilled up to August 10<sup>th</sup>. Initial drilling returned positive geological confirmation of mineralization similar the Serra Alta host granite including identified hydrothermal alteration. Of the 17 holes drilled at Gogo, 10 have demonstrated visible gold. The company will continue to drill Gogo in the coming quarter with the aim to rapidly advance a resource estimate for this target given it is a shallow, near mine deposit that likely has significant potential to complement the mine plan at Serra Alta.

The Company has also completed its Environmental Impact Studies ("EIS") for the Serra Alta deposit at MSC and filed a full report in July 2022 with the local environmental authorities, NATURATINS. After receiving approval from NATURATINS, public hearings will be held with the local community followed by an application for the License of Installation/Construction ("LI").

### 2022 HIGHLIGHTS

#### Operational Performance

##### Minera Don Nicolas

MDN is a remote mining operation with a self-sustaining camp facility. Operations have returned to normality, with no COVID restrictions in place since the start of the year. The operational results seen in the last quarter of 2021 continued in the first two quarters of 2022. The MDN operation is running steadily, and lessons learned in ore control and short term mine planning continue to deliver the required gold grades.

Three more pits, Chulengo, Baritina and Esperanza are now in full operation and gold grades are in line with the long term mine plan. Material from these pits have caused no operational or recovery issues in the processing plant, in fact gold recovery has shown a slight increase. Although mine production rates showed a slight decrease at the start of the quarter, planning and management intervention has ensured that mining numbers ended in line with expectations at the end of the quarter.

Reverse Circulation ("RC") drilling campaigns and increased sampling campaigns during the first quarter has ensured better understanding of the vein structures in the various pits. The information gathered from these campaigns has resulted in ore gold grades and accurate short term mine plans in line with expectations. As a result, all gold equivalent

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ounce ("geo") production targets were exceeded in the first quarter and geo production levels are expected to continue for the remainder of the year. Minera Don Nicolas is still in line with the target to exceed 50,000 geo ounces during 2022.

Metal production at MDN continued to improve throughout 2022 with 11,296 ounces of gold and 28,721 ounces of silver produced in the second quarter ended June 30, 2022. This represents:

- an 18% increase over the gold produced in the second quarter ended 2021; and
- a 28% increase over the 22,388 ounces of silver produced in the second quarter ended 2021.

The increase was primarily related to the increasing gold grade which increased by 16% year on year and recoveries which improved by 5% over the same period. These increases were offset slightly by throughput as tonnes milled were 3% lower during the three months ended June 30, 2022 as compared to the three months ended June 30, 2021.

Metal production at MDN was 24,303 ounces of gold and 58,423 ounces of silver produced in the six months ended June 30, 2022. This represents a 42% increase over the 17,091 ounces of gold produced in the six months ended 2021 and a 54% increase over the 37,918 ounces of silver produced in the six months ended 2021.

Key Operating Information	Unit	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
		Jun. 30, 2022	Mar. 31, 2022	Dec. 31, 2021	Sep. 30, 2021	Jun. 30, 2021	Mar. 31, 2021
<b>Operating Data</b>							
Ore Mined	ktonnes	91.69	89.22	120.50	113.47	102.26	75.40
Waste Mined	ktonnes	1,129.77	879.12	1,061.13	1,461.57	1,323.45	1,267.73
Total Mined	ktonnes	1,221.46	968.34	1,181.62	1,575.04	1,425.72	1,343.13
Strip Ratio	waste/ore	12.32	9.85	8.81	12.88	12.94	16.81
Mining rate	ktpd	13.42	10.76	12.84	17.31	15.67	15.80
Ore Milled	ktonnes	102.88	98.67	109.89	102.43	106.60	94.58
Head Grade Au	g/t	3.44	4.68	4.77	3.57	2.97	2.59
Head Grade Ag	g/t	9.95	14.85	17.94	13.01	10.91	8.00
Recovery Au	%	91%	89%	89%	88%	87%	91%
Recovery Ag	%	67%	58%	57%	63%	57%	61%
Mill Throughput	tpd	1,131	1,096	1,194	1,126	1,171	1,113
Gold Ounces Produced	oz	11,296	13,007	15,008	10,168	9,607	7,485
Silver Ounces Produced	oz	28,721	27,107	27,579	28,595	22,388	15,531
Gold Ounces Sold	oz	10,981	14,622	12,864	9,648	9,744	6,584
Silver Ounces Sold	oz	27,775	32,866	26,268	25,836	21,881	14,108
AISC - Minera Don Nicolas	(1) \$/oz	\$1,409	\$1,123	\$995	\$1,382	\$1,542	\$1,747

(1) This is a non-IFRS performance measure, see non-IFRS Performance Measures

### Financial Performance

#### Minera Don Nicolas

##### Second quarter ended June 30, 2022

The Company produced 11,296 ounces of gold and 28,721 ounces of silver during the second quarter ended June 30, 2022, as compared to 9,607 ounces of gold and 22,388 ounces of silver for the second quarter ended 2021. Gold production is significantly higher in the three months ended June 30, 2022, due to a 16% higher gold head grade and a 5% increase in recovery.

The Company generated revenue of \$20.3 million for the second quarter ended June 30, 2022, from the sale of 10,981 ounces of gold and 27,775 ounces of silver at an average realized price per gold ounce sold of \$1,795. For the second quarter ended June 30, 2021, the Company generated revenue of \$17.9 million from the sale of 9,744 ounces of gold and 21,881 ounces of silver. Revenue and sales of gold and silver for the current period is higher than the second quarter ended June 30, 2022, due to higher gold grade, higher recovery and improved production.

Cost of sales for the second ended June 30, 2022, were \$17.7 million as compared to \$15.8 million for the three months ended June 30, 2021. Due primarily to higher labour costs in the second quarter ended June 30, 2022 as compared to 2021, the Company incurred \$1.1 million higher production costs for the three months ended June 30, 2022, compared to prior year. Depreciation also increased by \$0.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2022 as compared to the three months ended June 30, 2021 due primarily to higher production.

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Total cash costs (including royalties) per ounce sold was \$1,376 per ounce in the second quarter ended June 30, 2022, as compared to \$1,429 per ounce for the second quarter ended June 30, 2021 a \$53 per ounce decrease (refer to reconciliation of Non-IFRS performance metrics). The decrease is a result of higher ounces sold during 2022 offset by slightly higher production costs incurred in the second quarter of 2022 due to higher labour costs realized in Argentina.

Net loss for the second quarter ended June 30, 2022, was \$1.5 million as compared to \$1.8 million loss for the second quarter ended June 30, 2021. The decrease in net loss is primarily a result of an increase in mine operating margin of \$0.6 million, which was offset by an increase in other expenses of \$0.1 million.

The Company incurred general and administrative expenses of \$1.8 million for the second quarter ended June 30, 2022, as compared to \$1.9 million of general and administrative expenses incurred during the second quarter ended June 30, 2021. The \$0.1 million decrease is mainly as a result of lower professional and consulting fees.

Other expenses incurred of \$1.8 million during the second quarter ended June 30, 2022, include non-cash finance costs of \$0.5 million related to accretion of future consideration payable, \$0.7 million related to accretion of deferred revenue, and \$0.3 million related to fair value remeasurement of secured note payable.

### Six months ended June 30, 2022

The Company produced 24,303 ounces of gold and 58,423 ounces of silver during the six months ended June 30, 2022, as compared to 17,091 ounces of gold and 37,918 ounces of silver for the six months ended 2021. Production is significantly higher in the six months ended June 30, 2022, due to 45% higher gold head grade and 29% higher silver grade.

The Company generated revenue of \$47.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2022, from the sale of 25,602 ounces of gold and 60,640 ounces of silver at an average realized price per gold ounce sold of \$1,809. For the six months ended June 30, 2021, the Company generated revenue of \$29.0 million from the sale of 25,602 ounces of gold and 60,640 ounces of silver. Revenue and sales of gold and silver for the current period is higher than the six months ended June 30, 2022, due to higher grades.

Cost of sales for the six months ended June 30, 2022, were \$35.9 million as compared to \$26.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2021. Due to higher tonnes mined and milled in the first half of 2022 as compared to 2021, the Company incurred \$5.0 million higher production costs for the six months ended June 30, 2022, compared to prior year.

Total cash costs (including royalties) per ounce sold was \$1,189 per ounce in the six months ended June 30, 2022, as compared to \$1,464 per ounce for the six months ended June 30, 2021 a \$275 per ounce decrease (refer to reconciliation of Non-IFRS performance metrics). The decrease is a result of significantly higher ounces sold during 2022 as a result of higher grades achieved in the first half of 2022.

Net income for the six months ended June 30, 2022, was \$1.8 million as compared to a \$7.4 million loss for the six months ended June 30, 2021. The \$9.7 million increase in mine operating margin which is a result of higher gold sales and realized metal prices primarily accounts for the improved net income. The increase in operating margin was offset by an increase in other expenses of \$0.4 million.

The Company incurred general and administrative expenses of \$3.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2022, as compared to \$4.1 million of general and administrative expenses incurred during the six months ended June 30, 2021. The \$0.4 million decrease is mainly as a result of lower professional and consulting fees of \$0.4 million and \$0.5 million, respectively, offset by higher non-cash share-based payment expenses of \$0.2 million.

Other expenses incurred of \$5.0 million during the six months ended June 30, 2022, include non-cash finance costs of \$1.2 million related to accretion of future consideration payable, \$1.3 million related to accretion of deferred revenue, and \$0.3 million related to fair value remeasurement of secured note payable.

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### CORPORATE DEVELOPMENTS

#### Sprott Stream

On March 14, 2022, the Company entered into a \$20.0 million gold and silver stream agreement (the "Stream Agreement") with Sprott Resource Streaming and Royalty Corp. ("Sprott") for its MDC project in Brazil.

The Stream Agreement provides for the sale and delivery to Sprott of 2.25% of all gold and silver produced from the Project of which Cerrado has the ability to buy back 50% of the stream based upon the buyback schedule below

- On or before June 30, 2024 – US\$12.5 million
- From July 1, 2024, until June 30, 2025 – US\$13.0 million
- July 1, 2025, until June 30, 2026 – US\$13.5 million

Proceeds will be used to complete the ongoing works to deliver a NI 43-101 Compliant Feasibility Study for the MDC Project and for general corporate and working capital purposes. To facilitate funding in advance of commercial production, Sprott has issued a US\$20.0 million secured note (the "Note") that bears interest at a rate of 10% per annum, calculated and payable quarterly and will mature on the earlier of the achievement of commercial production together with certain other conditions, or March 14, 2031. Subject to the approval of the TSX Venture Exchange (the "TSXV"), the Company may elect to satisfy the payment of any accrued and unpaid interest on the Note by the issuance of common shares of the Company (the "Common Shares") at a price per Common Share equal to 95% of the volume weighted average price (the "VWAP") of the Common Shares for the 5 trading days immediately prior to the date payment is due or any combination of cash and Common Shares in the Company's sole discretion. The Note is secured against the Project assets and is intended to subordinate to future project financing for the Project.

#### Resource Update at Serra Alta

On August 4, 2021, the Company announced an updated mineral resource at the Serra Alta deposit within its Monte do Carmo gold project. This resource update integrated the successful results of the Phase 1 drilling program which was completed in April 2021. The highlights of the updated resource are as follows:

- Total Indicated Resource of 9,108,000 tonnes at 1.85 g/t Au, containing 541,000 oz Au
- Total Inferred Resource of 13,197,000 tonnes at 1.84 g/t Au, containing 780,000 oz Au
- Notable Increase in total Mineral Resource: 62% more gold ounces from previous estimate (December 2018)
- Higher Confidence level: 41% of metal in Indicated category

#### Serra Alta PEA

On August 23, 2021, the Company announced the results of the PEA on the recently updated Mineral Resource Estimate for the Serra Alta deposit at MDC. The results of the PEA demonstrate very robust economics with an after-tax NPV5% of \$617 million and IRR of 94.8%. The highlights of the PEA are as follows:

- Average annual gold production of 149,000 ozs over first 5 years and 131,000 ozs over 8 years
- Annual Average Free cash flow of US\$150 million over the first 5 years
- Total cumulative, after tax, free cash flow estimated US\$901 million over 8 years
- Average AISC of US\$431/oz over the first 5 years
- Low Initial Capex of US\$126 million (including US\$25 million contingency)
- Payback of 1.3 years
- Further upside potential from continued exploration drilling & resource expansion
- Development program including Feasibility Study to begin immediately

On September 16, 2021, the Company announced the latest metallurgical test work results that outlines the processes and results for the metallurgical test work for process route definition and determination of process parameters for the Serra Alta deposit. Results support an expected gold recovery rate of 98.5% as used in the PEA announced August 23, 2021. The process reviewed the expected global gold recovery using gravity concentration followed by floatation and leaching of the gravity concentrate tailings.

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On October 7, 2021, the Company filed on SEDAR, an independent technical report on the Serra Alta PEA which was announced on August 23, 2021. The report was completed by GE21 Consultoria Ltda ("GE21") and incorporated results from the 43-101 Mineral Resources Estimate produced by Micon International dated July 21, 2021.

### **Minera Don Nicolas drilling program**

Drilling in 2022 is designed to advanced in parallel green and brownfield targets. Brownfield efforts are concentrated in the Paloma area, where shallow RC drilling is being conducted along strike extension of known structures (e.g. Arco Iris and Violeta) and deeper Diamond Drilling on the down dip extension of the known resource in the Sulfuro/Esperanza vein complex. Greenfields efforts this Quarter focuses on the Michelle target, where a 14 hole program totalling 1947 m was completed in June.

### **Minera Don Nicolas Heap Leach Project**

The Company continues to develop a gold heap leach operation at its Calandrias deposit at the Minera Don Nicolás mine in Santa Cruz, Argentina. The Company has commenced with detailed design of the heap leach pad as well as started the procurement processes for the crushing plant and Carbon in Column plant. Gold placement is forecast for first quarter 2023. The Calandrias Heap Leach is expected to add 20,000 -25,000 ounces of incremental production commencing in 2023 and is the first step in the Companies plans for growing production capacity at MDC to 100,000 ounces per annum in the short term.

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## EXPLORATION

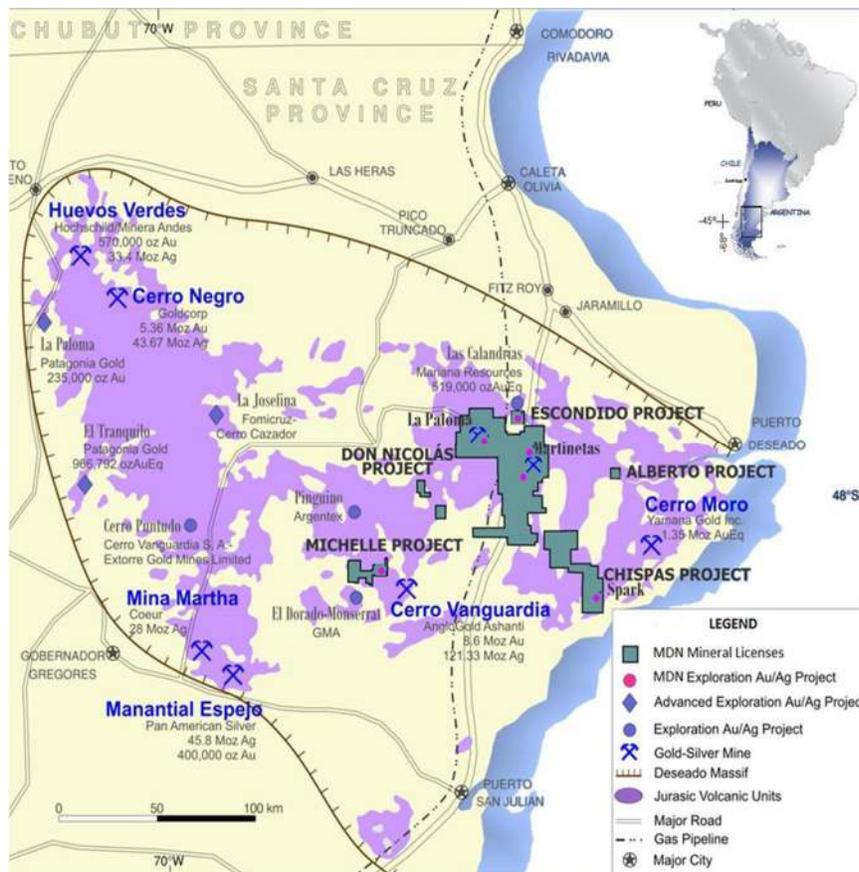
### Minera Don Nicolas Drilling Program

Drilling in 2022 is designed to advance several green and brownfield targets in parallel with the aim of increasing mine life and expanding the overall Resource endowment at MDC. Brownfield efforts are concentrated in the Paloma area, where shallow RC drilling is being conducted along strike extension of known structures (e.g. Arco Iris and Violeta) and deeper Diamond Drilling on the down dip extension of the known resource in the Sulfuro/Esperanza vein complex.

In Q1 2022, the Company commenced a 4000-metre drilling program to delineate the down dip extent of the known resource in the Sulfuro/Esperanza Veins. The first area of focus was southern edge of the Sulfuro Vein (Paloma) where a high grade subvertical shoot has already been delineated with historic drilling approximately 125 m below the Life of Mine (“LOM”) pit. Drilling is targeting an additional 200m of down plunge extension. Additionally, the program is continuing targeting the central and northern segments of the Sulfuro vein at shallower areas below the LOM pit.

As of August 8<sup>th</sup> the company has completed 16 holes in Sulfuro vein and 3 holes in Esperanza. Partial assays have been received; full batches for completed holes are pending.

The move towards underground mining is in keeping with the transitions undertaken at both MDN’s neighbouring mines including, Yamana’s Cerro Morro operation and Anglo American’s Cerro Vanguardia mine. Based upon current resources in place, Cerrado’s exploration team believes it can readily outline potential resources in excess of 100,000 ounces of gold in underground mineralized material to act as an additional source of feed to the mill.



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## Michelle Property Drilling

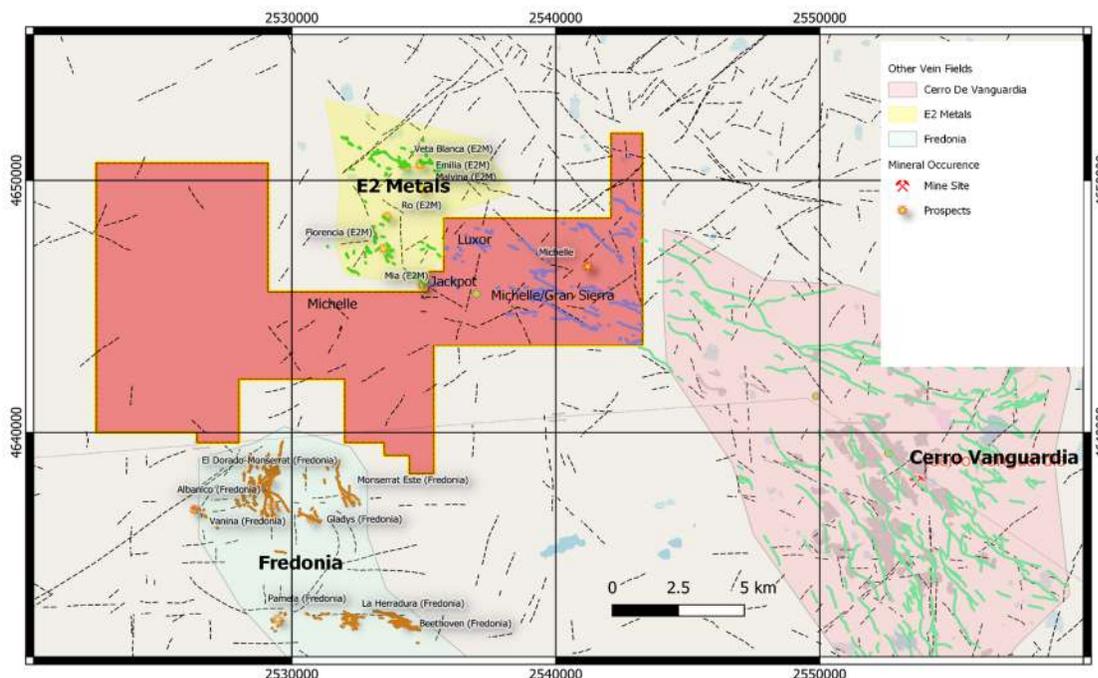
On May 10<sup>th</sup> the Company announced that it has commenced a drilling program Michelle, its 100% owned property located 90 km to the southwest of MDN’s Martinetas plant. The program targeted high grade silver-gold ore shoots hosted along +30 km of strike length of known low sulphidation epithermal veins.

## Michelle Property Highlights

- 37,400 hectares (“ha”) of exploration permits located between and adjacent to AngloGold Ashanti’s Cerro Vanguardia Mine (+8.5Moz Au, +85Moz Ag)<sup>1</sup> and recent bonanza grade discoveries made by E2 Metals less than 50 meters (“m”) from Michelle’s border.
- Over 30 km of veins mapped on surface and additional potential for continuity under thin basaltic cover towards the southwest of the property.
- Recent nearby discoveries by E2 Metals Limited (“E2”) & Fredonia Mining Inc. (“Fredonia”) to the south, suggest the potential for high grade Ag-Au ore shoots on the Michelle property

Data Source:

1. Historical reported production of 5.6Moz Au and 13.0Moz Ag, source: S&P Global Inc. and current 43-101 resources inclusive of reserves of 2.9Moz Au and 75.5Moz Ag, source: AngloGold Ashanti’s Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve Report as at December 31, 2021.



The program was completed in June 2022, totalling 14 holes and 1,937 meters that targeted:

- 1) Jackpot Vein
- 2) the newly discovered V vein; and the
- 3) Luxor vein system

Results of the program are pending.

## Monte do Carmo Project

### 2022 Resource Update infill program

The Company started its infill drill program in January 2022, to upgrade the majority of the current Inferred Resource within the constrained open pit to Measured and Indicated categories such that it can be fully incorporated into the

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economic analysis of the feasibility study. The program encompasses all the known sectors that contribute to the deposit endowment including: Pit Sur, Pit North, and the Eastern Zone.

As of August 2, 2022, a total of 102 holes at Serra Alta (infill, condemnation, and partial extensions) totalling 24,036 m.

Assays results reported this quarter are mainly related to the Infill program. Highlights (All composites are reported as true thickness) include:

### Sierra Alta (Infill)

#### FSA-199

- 41.90 m at 3.94 g/t Au, from 301.24 m
  - Including 7.18 m at 12.92 g/t Au from 319.34 m

#### FSA-184

- 65.7m at 1.71 g/t Au from 142.2m
  - Including 3.1m at 7.16 g/t Au from 179.3m, and
  - Including 3.6m at 12.04 g/t Au from 191.6m.

#### FSA-192

- 29.6m at 3.1 g/t Au from 34.7 m
  - Including 3.9m at 16.57 g/t Au from 54.9m
- 7.8m at 8.16 g/t Au from 239.9m

#### FSA-214

- 15.5m at 6.38 g/t Au from 45.0m
  - Including 3.2m at 21.18 g/t Au from 56.4m

#### FSA-218

- 21.3m at 2.84 g/t Au from 118.6m

#### FSA-209

- 40.7m at 1.86 g/t Au from 1.0m;
  - Including 2.2m at 13.11 g/t Au from 26.7m; and
- 20.9m at 3.93 g/t Au from 123.2m
  - Including 6.2m at 7.76 g/t Au from 134.5m

#### FSA-221

- 23.6m at 2.34 g/t Au from 0.1m
  - Including 4.7m at 7.70 g/t Au from 16.2m

#### FSA-233

- 29.1m at 2.25 g/t Au from 140.0m
  - Including 1.5m at 17.25 g/t Au from 169.7m

#### FSA-241

- 71m at 2.50 g/t Au from 113m
  - Including 6.5m at 17.28 g/t Au from 119m

#### FSA-249

- 25m at 3.23 g/t Au from 55m
  - Including 2m at 19.76 g/t Au from 78m

#### FSA-243

- 32m at 2.60 g/t Au from 85m
  - Including 4m at 11.27 g/t Au from 85m
  - Including 5m at 6.75 g/t Au from 104m

#### FSA-223

- 29m at 2.36 g/t Au from 186m,
  - Including 4m at 15.30 g/t Au from 202m

#### FSA-226

- 41m at 2.25 g/t Au from 140m
  - Including 2m at 17.25 g/t Au from 170m

### Gogó da Onça

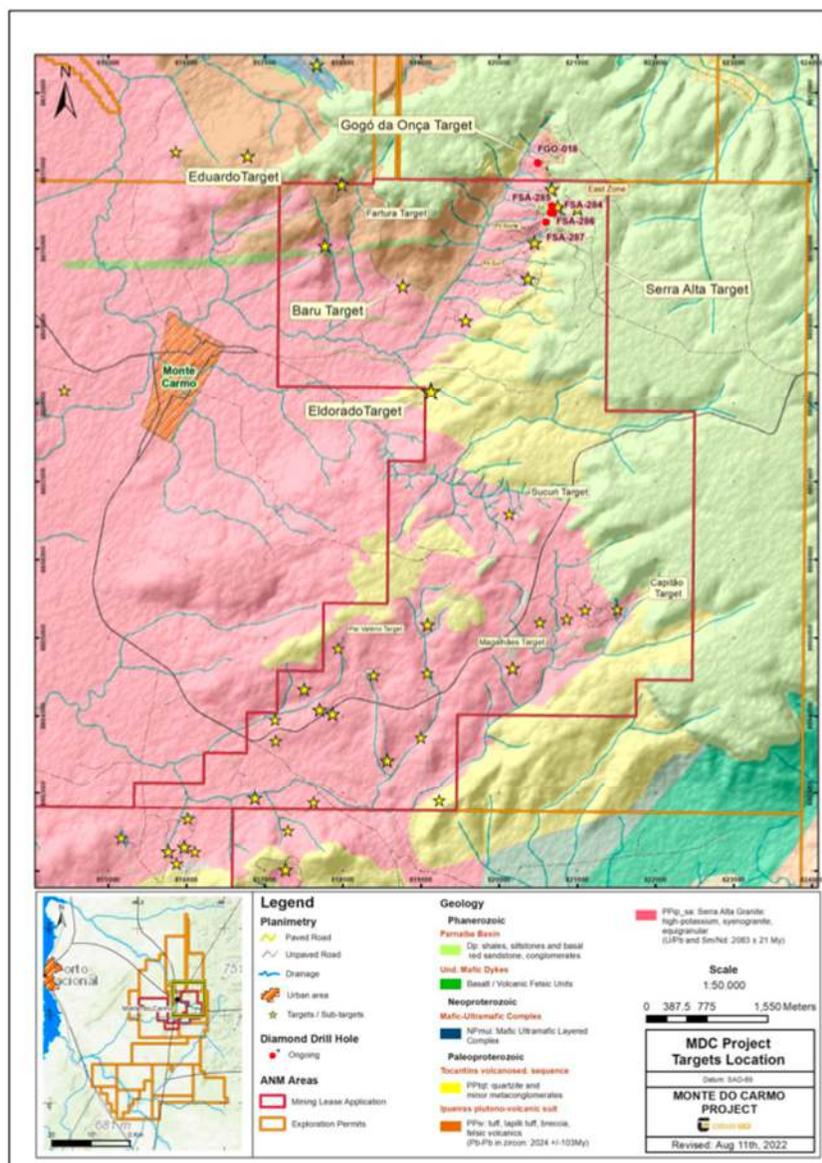
#### FGO-001

- 20.4m at 0.78 g/t Au from 96.2m
  - Including 2.2m at 2.01 g/t Au from 101.2m

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## Exploration Drilling and Satellites



### Gogo da Onça Target Area

During February 2022, the Brazilian National Mining Agency (“ANM”) granted full exploration rights to Cerrado for the Gogo de Onça North claims, located immediately north of the current deposit outline. The Company immediately mobilized its field crew for groundwork including mapping, sampling, and trenching. Preliminary characterization of the Gogo North target is very encouraging as all the main mineralization controls seen at the Serra Alta deposit are present including:

- mid grain texture granite;
- granite/Felsic Volcanic contact (presumed Cupola, as developed in the East Zone);
- outcropping quartz veins with sulphide stains;
- potassic alteration; and
- presence of artisanal historic working (Garimpos).

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Drilling in Gogo started in April 2022, as of August 2<sup>nd</sup> the company has completed 11 drill holes at Gogo totaling 2,983 meters. Assays have been only partially received for these holes.

The Company announced the results of the discovery hole at Gogo in June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Hole FGO-001 included 20.4m at 0.78 g/t Au from 96.2m.

The company believes Gogo has the grade, outline and minimal strip attributes to become an economic satellite deposit to Serra Alta. Further drilling is planned to define the outline of the deposit and will be followed with a short infill campaign to deliver a maiden MRE at an indicated categorization to support its inclusion into the Serra Alta FS.

### Capitao

The Capitao Target is located 6 km to the south of the Serra Alta deposit along the same granite complex. The Company drilled 4 holes in the first quarter of 2022, totaling 14 drill holes and 5,115m of drilling including 2021 holes. Integrated results have notably expanded the footprint of the target previously constrained by historic drilling (Kinross 2007). After successful extensional step outs, a strike length of 500m with notable wide lateral extents up to 700m has been confirmed.

### Baru

The Baru Target is located one kilometre to the west of the south pit at Serra Alta. To date, 12 holes have been completed totaling 3,278m. Hole FBU-008 was drilled in section with hole FBU-004 (discovery hole reported on December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021) and confirmed mineralization in the immediate footwall of the Agua Suja fault. A relevant intercept of this hole includes 18.59m at 0.95 g/t Au from 83.20m. Integrated results warrant further investigation along strike, especially towards the south where the granitic host is exposed.

### Fartura

The Fartura Target is located 2km to the northwest of Serra Alta, also sitting along the granite complex contact zone. Drill Holes FFA-007 and FFA-008 were drilled to test down dip extension of the projected mineralization previously intercepted at shallow levels. Both were successful in providing continuity: FFA-08 intercepted 5.07m at 0.79 g/t gold that can be correlated with the high-grade intercept from hole FFA-001 that included 5.35m at 1.85 g/t Au (see press release from December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021). Current geological modelling confirms that the host rock of the shallow mineralization (mined informally on surface) in Fartura is a porphyritic felsic volcanic. The current known outline of mineralization at Fartura extends for over 200m in strike length and is open both to the north (under sedimentary volcanic) and to the south.

### Bit-3

The Bit-3 targets are located 13 km to the northwest of Serra Alta. Relevant gold grades from a biotite-quartz altered zone were returned in drill holes FLD-05 and FLD-06 (6.72 m at 1.50 g/t Au and 14.2m@ 0.69 Au g/t, respectively). The other drill holes successfully intersected the continuity of shear zone, but with minor gold tenors. The current geological model of the mineralized zone indicates the potential of a down plunge and north strike extension. The sheared contact between granite and ultramafic rocks extends to the northeast for about 15 Km. This regional trend, mainly included in Cerrado controlled land has undergone no systematic exploration and opens a new exploration front for the current scope of expanding the district gold resource. It is believed that along this strike length there is potential for replicating high grade shoots as the one preliminary shaped in Bit-3.

### Current Resource

The Sierra Alta July 2021 Mineral Resource Estimate highlights are.

- Total Indicated Resources of 9,108,000 tonnes at 1.85 g/t Au, containing 541,000 oz Au
- Total Inferred Resource of 13,197,000 tonnes at 1.84 g/t Au, containing 780,000 oz Au
- Notable Increase in total Mineral Resource: 62% more gold ounces from previous estimate (December 2018)
- Higher Confidence level: 41% of metal in Indicated category

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- Over 99% of the gold in the Indicated Resources category is included in the constraining pit shell, the other 0.4% is considered underground
- Over 90.5% of the Inferred Resource is included in pit shell, the other 9.2% is considered underground
- Excellent conversion rate of previous Inferred Resource into indicated confirms sound domaining and interpolation strategy
- Confirmation of Serra Alta as the anchor deposit of the district, as exploration continues
- Potential for replicating mineral endowed zones like Serra Alta or individual blocks within Serra Alta on regional scale remains high from Cerrado perspective

### Serra Alta Mineral Resource Statement – Effective Date July 21, 2021

Mining Method	Cut-off Grade (g/t Au)	Resource Category	Tonnage (kt)	Avg. Au Grade (g/t)	Metal Content (koz)
Open Pit	0.30	Indicated	9,063	1.85	539
		Inferred	12,128	1.82	708
Underground	1.10	Indicated	45	1.66	2
		Inferred	1,069	2.10	72
OP + UG		Indicated	9,108	1.85	541
		Inferred	13,197	1.84	780

#### Estimate Notes:

1. Mineral resources were estimated by Mr. B. Terrence Hennessey, P.Geo. and Mr. Alan J. San Martin, MAusIMM (CP) of Micon International Limited. ("Micon"), a Toronto based consulting company, independent of Cerrado Gold. Both Mr. Hennessey and Mr. San Martin meet the requirements of a "Qualified Person" as established by the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum (CIM) Definition Standards for Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves (May 2014) ("the CIM Standards").
2. Mineral resources are not mineral reserves and therefore do not have demonstrated economic viability.
3. The Serra Alta estimate has been completed entirely using Leapfrog Geo – EDGE software.
4. The estimate is based on a long-term gold price of US\$ 1,600 per ounce and economic cut-off grades 0.30 g/t Au (Open Pit) and 1.10 g/t (Underground).
5. Open Pit constrained resources are reported within an optimized pit shell; underground resources are reported within continuous and contiguous shapes which lie adjacent to and below the ultimate open pit shell and interpreted to be recoverable utilizing standard underground mining methods.
6. The mineral resource estimate has an effective date of July 21, 2021.
7. The Serra Alta gold deposit was modelled by Cerrado using a wireframe constructed based on a 0.1 g/t Au cut-off grade and a few vein interpretations.
8. Rock density was assigned to different lithologies based on the geological and mineralization models, using calculated average values of 2.624 g/cm<sup>3</sup> in granite, 2.65 g/cm<sup>3</sup> in volcanics and 2.60 g/cm<sup>3</sup> inside mineralization wireframes.
9. Grade capping was used to control the influence of outliers in the estimate, raw assays were composited to 1.0 m and then assessed for capping. Grade capping used throughout the deposit was 45 g/t Au for the main broad envelope and 8.0 g/t Au for the interpreted veins.
10. The block model gold grades were estimated using the Ordinary Kriging interpolation method with searching parameters derived from geostatistical analysis performed within the mineralization wireframes. Variogram ranges go from 90 m to 150 m in the major axis.
11. The estimate assumes a metallurgical recovery of 98.5% gold, based on completed test-work to date.
12. The estimate assumes the following costs: Mining (Pit) US\$ 2.00/t, Mining (Pit Waste) US\$ 1.70/t, Mining (Underground) US\$ 40.00/t, Processing US\$10.78/t, and G&A of US\$ 2.00/t.
13. The pit constrained resource is reported within an optimized pit shell that assumed a maximum slope angle of 55 degrees. Open pit mining recovery was assumed to be 100%. Open pit dilution was assumed to be 0%. Underground mining recovery was assumed to be 100%. Underground dilution was assumed to be 0%.
14. Micon has not identified any legal, political, environmental, or other risks that could materially affect the potential development of the mineral resource estimate.
15. The mineral resource estimates are classified according to the CIM Standards which define a Mineral Resource as "a concentration or occurrence of solid material of economic interest in or on the earth's crust in such form, grade or quality and quantity that there are reasonable prospects for eventual economic extraction. The location, quantity, grade or quality, continuity and other characteristics of a mineral resource are known, estimated, or interpreted from specific geological evidence and knowledge including sampling.

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16. The mineral resource was categorized based on the geological confidence of the deposit into inferred and indicated categories. An inferred mineral resource has the lowest level of confidence. An indicated mineral resource has a higher level of confidence than an inferred mineral resource. It is reasonably expected that the portions of the inferred mineral resources could be upgraded to indicated mineral resources with additional infill drilling.
17. All procedures, methodologies and key assumptions supporting this mineral resource estimate are included in a NI 43-101F1 Technical Report which will be available at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

### Preliminary Economic Assessment

On August 23, 2021, Cerrado announced the results of the PEA on the recently updated Mineral Resource Estimate for the Serra Alta deposit at MDC. The results of the PEA demonstrate very robust economics with an after-tax NPV5% of \$617 million and IRR of 94.8% at a gold price of \$1,600/oz. Project economics are based on a potential 8-year mine life with a 1.3-year payback period, with positive after-tax cash flow commencing in Year 1. The final PEA Technical Report completed by GE21, in accordance with NI 43-101, and was filed on SEDAR on October 7, 2021.

Highlights of the PEA include:

- Average annual gold production of 149,000 ozs over first 5 years and 131,000 ozs over LOM 8 years
- Annual Average Free cash flow of US\$150 million over the first 5 years
- Total cumulative, after tax, free cash flow estimated US\$901 million over 8 years
- Average AISC of US\$431/oz over the first 5 years
- Low Initial Capex of US\$126 million (including US\$25 million contingency)
- Payback of 1.3 years
- Further upside potential from continued exploration drilling & resource expansion
- Development program including Feasibility Study to begin immediately

### PEA summary

<b>PEA Summary Table</b>		<b>2021</b>
<i>All Figures in US\$ unless otherwise noted</i>		
<b>NPI @ 5% After Tax</b>	<b>\$ millions</b>	<b>\$617</b>
<b>IRR After Tax</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>94.8%</b>
Long Term Gold Price (US\$/troy oz.)	US\$/oz Au	\$1,600
Initial Capex	\$ millions	\$126
Life of Mine	years	8
Payback time (years)	years	1.3
LOM average annual production	koz	131.0
LOM annual tonned mined	MM tonnes	2.600
Opex	\$/t	\$33.04
Avg Cash Cost	US\$/oz Au	\$583
Avg LOM AISC	US\$/oz Au	\$612
Sustaining LOM Capital	\$ millions	13.5
LOM Stripping Ratio	waste:ore	10.9:1
Royalties	%	1%
Mine Closure	\$ millions	\$16.78

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### Metallurgy Results

Cerrado completed additional metallurgical testing that on a bulk sample of 300 kg, confirmed the recoverability of gold by gravity concentration and tailing flotation followed by CIP leaching of float concentrate. The results of the test work, that are included in the PEA, reveal recoveries up to 98.5% of which approximately 79% is recovered by gravity. The final leached tailings will be submitted to detox circuit before sending it to final disposal. The high percentage of gold recovered by gravity allows for a simple design layout with limited CIP leaching capacity required, which significantly reduces up front capital requirements. Metallurgical test work also indicates that the waste rock and detoxed tailings are neutral by nature, which points to very amenable disposal of mineral residues making it easier to deploy environmentally and more affordable.

### Serra Alta Feasibility Study

Cerrado has appointed all key consultants for the feasibility study ("FS"). Work is in progress on metallurgical testwork, geotechnical studies, archaeology studies, noise and dust monitoring and geochemical studies. Drilling on progress to complete the updated geological model for use in the FS. Currently the estimated forecast completion for the FS remains on schedule for Q1 2023.

Initial work remains focused on the value-add and trade-off studies that include:

- Improved domaining of the resource for improving the average grade
- Shorter haul distances with updated waste dump locations reducing OPEX
- Electrification of mine fleet equipment
- Steeper angles in the competent granites to reduce strip ratios and OPEX
- Use of SAG mill to replace the three-stage crushing circuit reducing OPEX
- Removal of the cleaner floatation circuit reducing CAPEX and OPEX
- Move to larger and fewer process equipment to reduce CAPEX and OPEX

Q2 2022 has been focused on developing the Indicated Resource. Engineering to support Environmental applications has also progressed well in Q2 2022. Q3 2022 is forecast to commence the mining plan and process plant designs with detailed work progressing in stages during Q3 2022.

It is recognised that in the current environment there is concern on potential increases due to inflation, and management to de-risk the project will also be a key activity, though at this time we have no reason to believe the 25% contingency allocated for such risk is inadequate.

### Minera Don Nicolas Continuous Operational Improvement Projects and New Projects

Work to reduce water losses and water on the existing tailings has commenced. The first stage of moving the pond to the North-East will complete in Q3 2022. Metallurgical test work commenced in June 2022. It remains anticipated that MDN can move to a non-Segregated tailings facility that allows water losses to be reduced by approximately 50% and creates a more efficient tailings pond. The Company believes this will yield significant improvements in reducing sustaining capital for the tailings dam raises as well as reducing our operational water costs and costs for DETOX. The Project has had initial consultations with the Ministry and anticipates approvals from the Ministry prior to implementation in 2023. The current optimisations in the tailings storage provide an estimated increased life to 2024 prior to implementation of the new project.

Detailed design for work on the Las Calandrias Heap Leach pad has almost been completed (90%) by Knight Piesold. Construction is currently due to start in September 2022 with first gold expected in Q1 2023. The project has optimised the circuit based on water requirements in Q2 2022. Currently the heap leach project is forecast to add approximately 25,000 oz Au per year in steady state.

Detailed work on a drilling programme to support a low-grade resource at Martinetas commenced in Q2 2022. Once complete a final assessment of the heap leach viability at Martinetas will be undertaken. The initial assessment indicates the opportunity to yield over 20,000 oz per year from the low-grade material either currently being mined as waste or not mined as not economic for the current high-grade facility.

Exploration work to better define the opportunity to develop an underground mine below the current open pit in the Paloma area has continued in Q2 2022. Work for Permits and any Applications have commenced in Q2 2022.

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## DISCUSSION OF OPERATIONS

The following table provides a summary of the Company's key operating information and statistics for the three and six months ended June 30, 2022 and 2021.

### Selected Operating and Financial Information

Key Operating Information	Unit	Three Months Ended June		Six Months Ended June	
		2022	2021	2022	2021
<b>Operating Data</b>					
Ore Mined	ktonnes	91.69	102.26	180.91	177.67
Waste Mined	ktonnes	1,129.77	1,323.45	2,008.89	2,591.18
Total Mined	ktonnes	1,221.46	1,425.72	2,189.80	2,768.85
Strip Ratio	waste/ore	12.32	12.94	11.10	14.58
Mining rate	ktpd	13.42	15.67	12.10	15.73
<b>Ore Milled</b>					
Ore Milled	ktonnes	102.88	106.60	201.56	201.18
Head Grade Au	g/t	3.44	2.97	4.05	2.79
Head Grade Ag	g/t	9.95	10.91	12.35	9.54
Recovery Au	%	91%	87%	90%	89%
Recovery Ag	%	67%	57%	63%	58%
<b>Mill Throughput</b>					
Mill Throughput	tpd	1,131	1,171	1,114	1,143
Gold Ounces Produced	oz	11,296	9,607	24,303	17,091
Silver Ounces Produced	oz	28,721	22,388	58,423	37,918
Gold Ounces Sold	oz	10,981	9,744	25,602	16,328
Silver Ounces Sold	oz	27,775	21,881	60,640	35,989
<b>Average realized price and Average realized margin</b>					
Metal Sales	\$ 000's	20,333	17,858	47,717	29,021
Cost of Sales	\$ 000's	17,702	15,810	35,912	26,941
Gross Margin from Mining Operations	\$ 000's	2,631	2,048	11,805	2,080
<b>Average realized price per gold ounce sold</b>					
Average realized price per gold ounce sold	(1) \$/oz	1,795	1,773	1,809	1,719
<b>Total cash costs per gold ounce sold</b>					
Total cash costs per gold ounce sold	(1) \$/oz	1,376	1,429	1,189	1,464
<b>Average realized margin per gold ounce sold</b>					
Average realized margin per gold ounce sold	(1) \$/oz	419	345	620	255
<b>Total Direct Operating Costs</b>					
Total Direct Operating Costs	(1) \$ 000's	12,975	11,873	25,402	20,850
Royalties and production taxes	(1) \$ 000's	2,131	2,047	5,041	3,048
Total Cash Costs	(1) \$ 000's	\$15,106	\$13,920	\$30,443	\$23,898
<b>Total direct operating costs per gold ounce sold</b>					
Total direct operating costs per gold ounce sold	(1) \$/oz	1,182	1,219	992	1,277
<b>Royalties and production taxes per gold ounce sold</b>					
Royalties and production taxes per gold ounce sold	(1) \$/oz	194	210	197	187
<b>Total cash costs per gold ounce sold</b>					
Total cash costs per gold ounce sold	(1) \$/oz	\$1,376	\$1,429	\$1,189	\$1,464
AISC - Minera Don Nicolas	(1) \$/oz	\$1,409	\$1,542	\$1,246	\$1,624

(1) This is a non-IFRS performance measure, see non-IFRS Performance Measures

Corporate Financial Highlights	Unit	Three Months Ended June		Six Months Ended June	
		2022	2021	2022	2021
<b>Financial Data</b>					
Total revenue	\$ 000's	20,333	17,858	47,717	29,021
Mine operating expenses	\$ 000's	17,702	15,810	35,912	26,941
Income (loss) from mining operations	\$ 000's	2,631	2,048	11,805	2,080
Net income (loss)	\$ 000's	(1,492)	(1,765)	1,860	(7,437)
Adjusted EBITDA	(1) \$ 000's	2,950	1,752	12,619	796
Operating cash flow before movements in working capital	(1) \$ 000's	1,084	1,217	7,650	(491)
Operating cash flow	\$ 000's	(2,452)	1,969	6,328	284
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 000's	14,347	6,908	14,347	6,908
Working capital surplus (deficiency)	\$ 000's	983	(2,900)	983	(2,900)
Capital Expenditures	\$ 000's	2,109	2,083	4,074	4,555

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The Company's business, operations and financial condition have been significantly adversely affected by COVID-19. Actions taken to reduce the spread of COVID-19 have resulted in volatility and disruptions in regular business operations, supply chains and financial markets.

The extent to which Cerrado's operational and financial results are affected by COVID-19 will also depend on additional actions taken by business and governments in response to the pandemic and the speed and effectiveness of responses to combat the virus. The Company continues to carefully monitor the evolving situation of the COVID-19 pandemic. The safety and protection of its staff remains a top priority. Additional information regarding risk factors including, but not limited to, business risks is available in our Annual Information Form, a copy of which may be accessed through the SEDAR website ([www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com)).

The Company recognizes revenue from provisional invoicing once all the performance obligations have been fulfilled and control is transferred to the customer. Final metal pricing occurs according to the quotational period stated in the offtake agreement and changes in metal prices during the quotational period may have a significant impact on the financial results of the Company.

### LIQUIDITY & CAPITAL RESOURCES

As at June 30, 2022, the Company which has been funded primarily by the issuance of equity, had an accumulated deficit of \$22.9 million, a decrease of \$0.7 million from December 31, 2021.

The Company's cash and cash equivalents balance at June 30, 2022 was \$14.3 million. This is an increase from the last stated cash and cash equivalents balance of \$1.7 million at December 31, 2021. On March 14, 2022, the Company entered into a \$20.0 million gold and silver stream agreement with Sprott. Proceeds of the financing will be used to complete the ongoing works to deliver a NI 43-101 compliant feasibility study for the MDC project, as well as for general and corporate purposes. This additional \$20.0 million of funding, significantly improves the Company's liquidity position.

The future of the Company is dependent on its ability to attain profitable operations, generate sufficient funds from operations, and obtain new debt or equity financing. The Company's liquidity position is sensitive to a number of variables which cannot be predicted with certainty, including, but not limited to, meeting increased production targets, metal prices, foreign exchange rates, operational costs, and capital expenditures. If the Company's cash flow from operations is not sufficient to satisfy its requirements, there can be no assurance that additional debt or equity financing will be available to meet these requirements or available on terms acceptable to Cerrado.

Accordingly, these conditions represent a material uncertainty that cast significant doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. The consolidated financial statements do not include adjustments to the carrying values of recorded assets and liabilities that might be necessary should the Company be unable to continue as a going concern. These adjustments may be material.

Working capital at June 30, 2022 was \$1.0 million. Working capital improved as a result of entering into the \$20.0 million gold and silver stream agreement with Sprott as well as increased cash from operations as operational efficiencies and throughput rates have improved at MDN and per unit costs are reduced.

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### Cash Flows

The Company's cash balance was \$14.3 million at June 30, 2022 as compared to \$1.7 million at December 31, 2021.

#### Operating activities

Cash provided by operating activities during the six months ended June 30, 2022 was \$6.3 million compared to cash provided by operating activities of \$0.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2021. Cash flows from operating activities before changes to working capital reflect the higher mining and throughput rates and higher head grades achieved by the Company in the six months ended June 30, 2022, which resulted in higher production and metal sales.

Cash used in operating activities during the second quarter ended June 30, 2022 was \$2.5 million compared to cash provided by operating activities of \$2.0 million for the second quarter ended June 30, 2021. Cash used in operating activities in 2022 consisted of \$1.0 million in operating cash outflows before working capital changes. In addition, there was a reduction of working capital items of \$3.5 million. Cash provided by operating activities in 2021 consisted of \$1.2 million in operating cash flows before working capital changes derived from the income from mining operations achieved during the year. In addition, there was an increase of working capital items of \$0.8 million.

#### Investing activities

Cash used in investing activities during the six months ended June 30, 2022, was \$11.3 million and consisted primarily of additions to exploration and evaluation assets of \$6.3 million and future consideration paid of \$4.0 million, compared to \$7.1 million of cash used in investing activities for the prior year period which consisted primarily of additions to exploration and evaluation assets of \$5.8 million and additions to plant and equipment of \$1.3 million.

Cash used in investing activities during the three months ended June 30, 2022, was \$5.8 million and consisted primarily of additions to exploration and evaluation assets of \$3.9 million and increase in restricted cash of \$1.5 million, compared to \$6.6 million of cash used in investing activities for the prior year period which consisted primarily of additions to exploration and evaluation assets of \$3.3 million and an increase in restricted cash of \$2.5 million.

#### Financing activities

Cash provided by financing activities during the six months ended June 30, 2022, was \$17.8 million which consisted primarily of the secured note payable funding of \$20.0 million offset by net revolving facility repayments of \$0.8 million and \$0.5 million of lease payments, compared to cash provided by financing activities of \$9.5 million in the prior year period which consisted primarily of \$11.0 million in proceeds from private placement funding offset by \$1.1 million in revolving facility payments.

Cash used financing activities during the second quarter ended June 30, 2022, was \$3.4 million and consisted primarily of revolving facility repayments of \$2.3 million, compared to cash used in financing activities of \$2.4 million in the prior year period which consisted primarily of revolving facility repayments of \$2.3 million.

The Company is dependent on external financing to fund its mineral exploration and evaluation activities. In order to carry out the planned exploration and pay for administrative costs, the Company will spend its existing working capital and raise additional amounts as needed. The Company has raised \$20 million in March 2022 through a secured note with Spratt to fund the feasibility study at MDC and for general and corporate purposes. The Company will continue to assess new properties and seek to acquire an interest in additional properties if it feels there is sufficient geologic or economic potential and if it has adequate financial resources to do so.

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### Commitments

There are three royalty agreements that apply to the Company's Minera Don Nicolás Mine, described as follows:

(i) A royalty payable to the province of Santa Cruz in the amount up to 3% of the metal value extracted from the mine. The value of the royalty is calculated based on the market value of metals contained in the commercial production from the mine, less the direct and/or operating costs required to commercialize the metals, not including any financial costs, amortization expense or any profit distribution.

(ii) A 2% royalty on the refined product, payable to Royal Gold Inc. based on a royalty agreement enacted and updated on August 16, 2013. The royalty is applicable to MDN and its properties which are currently under production. The obligations under this royalty agreement are backed by a first mortgage granted to Royal Gold on a number of the Company's mineral properties owned in the province of Santa Cruz, named as follows: Syrah, La Paloma I, Micro I, Micro II, Mar III, Mar IV, Gol I, Gol II, Armadillo, Dorcón 3, Dorcón 4, Estrella I and Estrella II.

(iii) A royalty of \$3 per gold ounce, to a maximum of \$2.0 million payable to Sandstorm Gold Limited based on an agreement executed on February 28, 2006. This royalty is applicable to MDN and its properties which are currently under production.

As at June 30, 2022, the Company had the following undiscounted contractual commitments.

(Expressed in \$000's)

	Payments due by period			Total
	<1 years	1-5 years	5> years	
Trade and other payables	\$ 19,395	-	-	19,395
Lease obligations (i)	\$ 973	1,010	-	1,983
MDN acquisition payments (i)	\$ 2,000	20,000	-	22,000
Revolving prepayment facility (i)	\$ 5,264	-	-	5,264
Environmental rehabilitation provision (i)	\$ 175	-	4,932	5,107
	\$ 27,882	21,010	4,932	53,824

(i) Undiscounted basis

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### SUMMARY OF QUARTERLY RESULTS

The following table provides highlights, extracted from the Company's financial statements, of quarterly results for the past eight quarters.

		Three Months Ended			
		June 30, 2022	March 31, 2022	December 31, 2021	September 30, 2021
Total assets	\$ 000's	130,979	138,485	109,813	83,584
Total revenue	\$ 000's	20,333	27,384	23,100	17,930
Net income (loss) for the period	\$ 000's	(1,492)	3,352	2,539	(1,401)
Basic earnings (loss) per share	\$/share	(0.02)	0.04	0.03	(0.02)
Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$/share	(0.02)	0.04	0.03	(0.02)

		Three Months Ended			
		June 30, 2021	March 31, 2021	December 31, 2020	September 30, 2020
Total assets	\$ 000's	81,533	80,315	67,610	67,666
Total revenue	\$ 000's	17,858	11,163	10,267	12,563
Net income (loss) for the period	\$ 000's	(1,765)	(5,672)	(5,171)	(1,911)
Basic earnings (loss) per share	\$/share	(0.02)	(0.10)	(0.11)	(0.04)
Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$/share	(0.02)	(0.10)	(0.11)	(0.04)

Metal sales at the MDN mine in Argentina account for a portion of the quarter-to-quarter increase in total assets during 2022 and 2021, where much of the increase is mainly attributed to continued exploration and evaluation expenditures in the Monte do Carmo gold project in Brazil, as well as additions to property, plant and equipment in Argentina.

Revenues commenced in the second quarter of 2020 at the MDN mine and have overall increased quarter-to-quarter due to increased production and metal price volatility throughout 2022 and 2021.

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### CAPITAL STRUCTURE

The Company is authorized to issue an unlimited number of common and preferred shares, where each common share provides the holder with one vote.

As of August 25, 2022, the total number of common shares outstanding or issuable pursuant to other outstanding securities is as follows:

Common Shares	Number
Outstanding	76,726,785
Issuable upon exercise of Finder's and Agent Warrants	244,176
Issuable upon exercise of Cerrado Options	6,550,000
Issuable upon redemption of Cerrado RSUs	3,428,754
Issuable upon redemption of Cerrado DSUs	525,000
<b>Diluted common shares</b>	<b>87,474,715</b>

Cerrado has not issued any preferred shares.

### OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

The Company does not have any off-balance sheet arrangements that have, or are reasonably likely to have, a current or future effect on the results of operations or financial condition of the Company including, without limitation, such considerations as liquidity and capital resources that have not previously been discussed.

### RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In accordance with IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures, key management personnel are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company directly or indirectly, including any directors (executive and non-executive) of the Company.

#### (a) Compensation of key management personnel

During the six months ended June 30, 2022 and 2021 compensation of key management personnel is summarized as follows:

	June 30 2022	June 30 2021
Management and director compensation	\$ 1,104	\$ 1,042
Share-based payments	324	527
	<b>\$ 1,428</b>	<b>\$ 1,569</b>

#### (b) Due to and from related parties

In addition to the transactions detailed elsewhere in profit or loss, the Company shares administrative services and office space with Ascendant Resources Inc. ("Ascendant"), a company related by virtue of common directors and officers, and from time to time will incur third party costs on behalf of related parties. Related party transactions are recognized at the amounts agreed between the parties. Outstanding balances are due on demand, unsecured and settlement occurs in cash.

As at June 30, 2022, amounts owed from Ascendant in relation to shared services are \$0.8 million (June 30, 2021 - \$0.4) and amounts owed from Voyager Metals in relation to shared services are \$0.2 million (June 30, 2021 - \$nil).

On June 24, 2020, Ascendant was granted a total of 200,000 RSUs in the capital of Cerrado in exchange for administrative services provided. During the year ended December 31, 2020 Ascendant received 66,667 common shares of Cerrado in accordance with the vesting terms of the 200,000 RSUs granted on June 24, 2020. During the period-ended December 31, 2021, the Company approved the accelerated vesting of the final tranche of the 200,000 RSUs granted to Ascendant, where Ascendant received the remaining 133,333 common shares of Cerrado.

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On October 5, 2020, Cerrado subscribed for a total of 2,650,000 units of Ascendant at a cost of CAD\$0.10 per unit for a total cost of CAD\$0.3 million. Each unit consists of one common share of Ascendant and one-half of one common share purchase warrant. Each warrant entitles Cerrado to acquire one common share at a price of CAD\$0.15 per share for a 24-month period following the closing date of private placement. The Company fully exercised these warrants in 2021 at CAD\$0.15 each for a total cost of CAD\$0.2 million and received 1,325,000 common shares of Ascendant, for a total of 3,975,000 common shares of Ascendant, valued at \$0.7 million.

### **CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES**

Refer to Note 2 of the Cerrado Financial Statements for the three and six months ended June 30, 2022.

### **CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Refer to Note 3 of the Cerrado Financial Statements for the three and six months ended June 30, 2022.

### **FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS HIERARCHY AND FAIR VALUES**

Refer to Note 22 of the Cerrado Financial Statements for the three and six months ended June 30, 2022.

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### NON-IFRS PERFORMANCE MEASURES

The non-IFRS performance measures presented do not have any standardized meaning prescribed by IFRS and are therefore unlikely to be directly comparable to similar measures presented by other issuers.

#### Non-IFRS Measures

#### EBITDA

EBITDA is a non-IFRS measure that represents an indication of the Company's continuing capacity to generate earnings from operations before taking into account management's financing decisions, share based compensation, and costs of consuming capital assets, and management's estimate of their useful life. EBITDA comprises revenue less operating expenses before interest expense (income), property, plant and equipment amortization and depletion, and income taxes. Adjusted EBITDA has been included in this document. Under IFRS, entities must reflect in compensation expense the cost of share-based payments. In the Company's circumstances, share-based payments involve a significant accrual of amounts that will not be settled in cash but will be settled by the issuance of shares in exchange for cash. EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA do not have any standardized meaning prescribed by IFRS and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for measures of performance prepared in accordance with IFRS. EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA exclude the impact of cash costs of financing activities and taxes, and the effects of changes in operating working capital balances, and therefore are not necessarily indicative of operating profit or cash flow from operations as determined under IFRS. Other companies may calculate EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA differently. As such, the Company has made an entity specific adjustment to EBITDA for these expenses. The Company has also made an entity-specific adjustment to the foreign currency exchange (gain)/loss.

The following table provides a reconciliation of net loss to Adjusted EBITDA:

Adjusted EBITDA	Unit	Three Months Ended June		Six Months Ended June	
		2022	2021	2022	2021
Net income (loss)	\$ 000's	(1,492)	(1,765)	1,860	(7,437)
<i>Adjusted for:</i>					
Depreciation	\$ 000's	1,994	1,309	4,100	2,089
Transaction costs	\$ 000's	284	32	1,034	172
Listing expense	\$ 000's	-	-	-	1,511
Finance items	\$ 000's	1,947	1,340	3,588	2,785
Share-based payments	\$ 000's	415	463	837	641
Foreign currency exchange gain/loss	\$ 000's	(326)	189	407	368
Remeasurement of secured note	\$ 000's	(359)	-	(359)	-
Income taxes	\$ 000's	487	184	1,152	667
<b>Adjusted EBITDA</b>	<b>\$ 000's</b>	<b>2,950</b>	<b>1,752</b>	<b>\$12,619</b>	<b>796</b>

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### Average realized price and Average realized margin

Average realized price and average realized margin per ounce sold are used by management and investors to better understand the gold price and margin realized throughout a period.

Average realized price is calculated as metal sales per the statement of comprehensive earnings and includes realized gains and losses on gold sales less silver sales, per ounce sold. Average realized margin represents average realized price per gold ounce sold less total cash costs per ounce sold.

Average realized price and Average realized margin	Three Months Ended June		Six Months Ended June		
	2022	2021	2022	2021	
Metal sales	\$ 000's	20,333	17,858	47,717	29,021
Less: Silver sales	\$ 000's	(623)	(581)	(1,412)	(954)
Revenues from gold sales	\$ 000's	19,710	17,277	46,305	28,067
Gold ounces sold	oz	10,981	9,744	25,602	16,328
Average realized price per gold ounce sold	\$/oz	\$1,795	\$1,773	\$1,809	\$1,719
Less: Total cash costs per gold ounce sold	\$/oz	(\$1,376)	(1,429)	(\$1,189)	(1,464)
<b>Average realized margin per gold ounce sold</b>	<b>\$/oz</b>	<b>\$419</b>	<b>\$345</b>	<b>\$620</b>	<b>\$255</b>

### Direct operating costs

The Company uses the non-IFRS measure of direct operating costs per gold ounce sold to manage and evaluate operating performance. The Company believes that, in addition to conventional measured in accordance with IFRS, certain investors use this information to evaluate the Company's performance and ability to generate cash flows. Accordingly, its is intended to provide additional information and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for measures of performance in accordance with IFRS. The Company considers mine operating expenses per gold ounce sold to be the most comparable IFRS measure to direct operating cost per gold ounce sold and has included calculations of this metric in the reconciliations with the applicable tables to follow.

Direct operating costs per gold ounce sold includes mine direct operating production costs such as mining, processing and administration but does not include depreciation in production, and royalties and production taxes.

### Total cash costs

Total cash costs is a common financial performance measure in the gold mining industry but with no standard meaning under IFRS. Cerrado Gold reports total cash costs on a sales basis. The Company believes that, in addition to conventional measures prepared in accordance with IFRS, such as sales, certain investors use this information to evaluate the Company's performance and ability to generate operating earnings and cash flow from its mining operations. Management uses this metric as an important tool to monitor operating cost performance.

Total cash costs include production costs such as mining, processing, refining and site administration, sales expenses and royalties, less share-based compensation and net of silver sales divided by gold ounces sold to arrive at total cash costs per gold ounce sold. The measure also includes other mine related costs incurred such as mine standby costs and current inventory write downs. Production costs are exclusive of depreciation. Production costs include the costs associated with providing the royalty in-kind ounces. Other companies may calculate this measure differently.

### All-in Sustaining Costs

All-in Sustaining Costs per gold payable ounces includes mine direct operating costs (mining, administration and other mine related costs incurred) as well as refining and freight costs, royalties, corporate G&A and sustaining capital costs, less by-product credits, divided by gold payable ounces sold. The measure does not include depreciation, depletion, amortization and reclamation expenses.

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The following table provides a reconciliation of Direct operating costs, Cash costs and All-in Sustaining Costs to mine operating expenses, as reported in the Company's consolidated statement of loss for the three and six months ended June 30, 2022 and 2021:

		Three Months Ended June		Six Months Ended June	
		2022	2021	2022	2021
<b>Direct operating costs</b>					
Mine operating expenses (from consolidated financial statements)	\$ 000's	17,702	15,810	35,912	26,941
Deduct: Depreciation in production	\$ 000's	(1,973)	(1,309)	(4,057)	(2,089)
<b>Total cash costs (including royalties)</b>	<b>\$ 000's</b>	<b>15,729</b>	<b>14,501</b>	<b>31,855</b>	<b>24,852</b>
Deduct: Royalties and production taxes	\$ 000's	(2,131)	(2,047)	(5,041)	(3,048)
<b>Direct operating costs</b>	<b>\$ 000's</b>	<b>\$13,598</b>	<b>\$12,454</b>	<b>26,814</b>	<b>\$21,804</b>

AISC per Au payable pound sold	Unit	Three Months Ended June		Six Months Ended June	
		2022	2021	2022	2021
Gold ounces sold	oz	10,981	9,744	25,602	16,328
<b>Total Cash Cost Reconciliation</b>					
Direct operating costs	\$ 000's	13,598	12,454	26,814	21,804
Deduct: Silver sales	\$ 000's	(623)	(581)	(1,412)	(954)
<b>Total Direct Operating Costs</b>	<b>\$ 000's</b>	<b>12,975</b>	<b>11,873</b>	<b>25,402</b>	<b>20,850</b>
Royalties and production taxes	\$ 000's	2,131	2,047	5,041	3,048
<b>Total Cash Costs</b>	<b>\$ 000's</b>	<b>15,106</b>	<b>13,920</b>	<b>30,443</b>	<b>23,898</b>
Direct operating costs per gold ounce sold	\$/oz	\$1,182	\$1,219	\$992	\$1,277
Royalties and production taxes per gold ounce sold	\$/oz	\$194	\$210	\$197	\$187
<b>Total cash costs per gold ounce sold</b>	<b>\$/oz</b>	<b>\$1,376</b>	<b>\$1,429</b>	<b>\$1,189</b>	<b>\$1,464</b>
<b>All-In Sustaining Costs (AISC) Reconciliation.</b>					
Total Cash Costs	\$ 000's	15,106	13,920	30,443	23,898
Add: Sustaining Capital Expenditures	\$ 000's	361	1,100	1,446	2,623
Add: Corporate G&A, excluding depreciation and amortization	\$ 000's	1,811	1,908	3,655	4,120
<b>Total All-in Sustaining Costs - Consolidated</b>	<b>\$ 000's</b>	<b>17,278</b>	<b>16,928</b>	<b>35,544</b>	<b>30,641</b>
Deduct: Corporate G&A, excluding depreciation and amortization	\$ 000's	(1,811)	(1,908)	(3,655)	(4,120)
<b>Total All-in Sustaining Costs - Minera Don Nicolas</b>	<b>\$ 000's</b>	<b>15,467</b>	<b>15,020</b>	<b>31,889</b>	<b>26,521</b>
<b>All-In Sustaining Costs per Ounce Sold - Minera Don Nicolas</b>	<b>\$/oz</b>	<b>\$1,409</b>	<b>\$1,542</b>	<b>\$1,246</b>	<b>\$1,624</b>

- (1) If the Company were to include Corporate G&A expenses, AISC / Au oz would be \$1,573 and \$1,388 for the three and six months ended June 30, 2022 compared to \$1,737 and \$1,877 for the three and six months ended June 30, 2021.

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### RISKS & UNCERTAINTIES

The Company is subject to significant risks, challenges, and uncertainties, similar to other mineral exploration, development and productions, due to the nature of the mining industry. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to the following:

#### Limited Operating History

The Company has a limited history of operating and generating earnings from operations. The Company's continued operation will be dependent upon its ability to generate operating revenues and to procure additional financing.

#### Exploration, Development and Operating Risks

Mining operations generally involve a high degree of risk. Cerrado's operations are subject to all the hazards and risks normally encountered in the exploration, development and production of gold, including unusual and unexpected geologic formations, seismic activity, rock bursts, cave-ins, flooding and other conditions involved in the drilling and removal of material, any of which could result in damage to, or destruction of, mines and other producing facilities, damage to life or property, environmental damage and possible legal liability. Although adequate precautions to minimize risk will be taken, milling operations are subject to hazards such as equipment failure or failure of retaining dams around tailings disposal areas which may result in environmental pollution and consequent liability. The exploration for and development of mineral deposits involves significant risks which even a combination of careful evaluation, experience and knowledge may not eliminate. While the discovery of an ore body may result in substantial rewards, few properties which are explored are ultimately developed into producing mines. Major expenses may be required to locate and establish Mineral Resources and Reserves, to develop metallurgical processes and to construct mining and processing facilities at a particular site. It is impossible to ensure that the exploration or development programs planned by Cerrado will result in a profitable commercial mining operation. Whether a mineral deposit will be commercially viable depends on a number of factors, some of which are: the particular attributes of the deposit, such as size, grade and proximity to infrastructure; metal prices which are highly cyclical; and government regulations, including regulations relating to prices, taxes, royalties, land tenure, land use, importing and exporting of minerals and environmental protection. The exact effect of these factors cannot be accurately predicted, but the combination of these factors may result in the Company not receiving an adequate return on invested capital.

#### Dependence on Minera Don Nicolas

While the Company holds and may invest in additional mining and exploration projects in the future, the Don Nicolas mine is currently the Company's only producing asset, providing all of the Company's operating revenue and cash flows. Consequently, a delay or any difficulty encountered in the operations at the Minera Don Nicolas would materially and adversely affect the financial condition and financial sustainability of the Company. Any adverse changes or developments, such as, but not limited to, the inability to successfully complete other work programs or expansions, obtain financing on commercially suitable terms, or hire suitable personnel and mining contractors, may have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial performance, results of operations and liquidity. In addition, the results of operations of the Company could be materially and adversely affected by any events which cause the mine to operate at less-than-optimal capacity, including, among other things, equipment failure or shortages of spares, consumables and reagents, adverse weather, serious environmental and safety issues, any permitting or licensing issues and any failure to produce expected amounts of gold.

#### Uncertainty of Resource Estimates

The Company has engaged internal and expert independent technical consultants to advise it on, among other things, Mineral Resources, geotechnical, metallurgy and project engineering. The Company believes that these experts are competent and that they have carried out their work in accordance with all internationally recognized industry standards. If, however, the work conducted by, and the Mineral Resource estimates of these experts are ultimately found to be incorrect or inadequate in any material respect, such events could materially and adversely affect the Company's future operations, cash flows, earnings, results of operations, financial condition and the economic viability of its projects.

The Mineral Resource Estimate with respect to the Monte Do Carmo project in Brazil are based on limited information acquired through historical drilling conducted by outside third parties as well as from drilling completed by Cerrado. No assurance can be given that anticipated tonnages and grades will be achieved or that the indicated level of recovery or economic value will be realized.

#### No Defined Mineral Reserves

The Company has not defined any Mineral Reserves on its concessions at the Monte Do Carmo project in Brazil or at the Don Nicolas mine in Argentina and there can be no assurance that any of the concessions under exploration contain

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commercial quantities of any minerals. Even if commercial quantities of minerals are identified, there can be no assurance that the Company will be able to exploit the resources or, if the Company is able to exploit them, that it will do so on a profitable basis. Substantial expenditures may be required to locate and establish Mineral Reserves, to develop metallurgical processes and to construct mining and processing facilities at a particular site, and substantial additional financing may be required. It is impossible to ensure that the exploration or development programs planned by the Company will result in a profitable commercial mining operation. The decision as to whether a particular property contains a commercial mineral deposit and should be brought into production will depend on the results of exploration programs and/or feasibility studies, and the recommendations of duly qualified engineers and geologists. Several significant factors will be considered, including, but not limited to: the particular attributes of the deposit, such as size, grade and proximity to infrastructure; metal prices, which are highly cyclical; government regulations, including regulations relating to prices, taxes, royalties, land tenure, land use, importing and exporting of minerals and environmental protection; ongoing costs of production; and availability and cost of additional funding.

### **Metal Price Risk**

Even if commercial quantities of mineral deposits are discovered, there is no guarantee that a profitable market will exist for the sale of the metals produced. Factors beyond the control of the Company may affect the marketability of any substances discovered. The prices of various metals have experienced significant movement over short periods of time and are affected by numerous factors beyond the control of the Company, including international economic and political trends, expectations of inflation, currency exchange fluctuations, interest rates and global or regional consumption patterns, speculative activities and increased production due to improved mining and production methods.

The supply of and demand for metals are affected by various factors, including political events, economic conditions and production costs in major producing regions. There can be no assurance that the price of any minerals contained in a deposit will be such that the Company's properties can be mined at a profit. The Company is particularly exposed to the risk of movement in the price of gold. Declining market prices for gold could have a material effect on the Company's profitability.

### **Foreign Currency Risks**

There continue to be risks relating to the uncertain and unpredictable political and economic environment in Argentina, especially at the provincial level in Santa Cruz where Don Nicolas mine is located. Inflation remains a challenge in Argentina and Argentina's central bank enacted a number of foreign currency controls in 2019 and 2020 in an effort to stabilize the local currency.

The MDN mine, which was acquired on March 16, 2020, is a U.S. dollar functional currency entity. Argentina has been considered a hyperinflationary environment with a cumulative inflation rate of over 100% for the last three years.

Effective December 23, 2019, changes to Argentina's tax laws proposed by the Argentine Government were implemented. The changes ratified and extended legislation which was to expire on December 31, 2019 and allow the Argentine Central Bank to regulate funds coming into and flowing out of Argentina in order to maintain stability and support the economic recovery of the country. The Argentine Government has not set an expiry date for these restrictions, and they currently remain in place. These capital controls together with additional temporary controls enacted on May 29, 2020, have the effect of: requiring exporters to convert the equivalent value of foreign currency received from the export into Argentine Pesos; requiring the prior consent of the Argentine Central Bank to the payment of cash dividends and distributions of currency out of Argentina; requiring Argentine companies to convert foreign currency loans received from abroad into Argentine Pesos; and restricting the sale of Argentine Pesos for foreign currency. Accordingly, the Company is required to convert the equivalent value of proceeds received in foreign currency from the export of all gold doré from the Don Nicolas Mine, into Argentine Pesos. In addition, the Company would be required to obtain the prior consent of the Argentine Central Bank to the payment of cash dividends and distributions of profits out of Argentina.

Most recently, on September 16, 2020, Argentina's central bank enacted a new resolution requiring companies to refinance, with at least a two-year term, sixty percent of any debt maturing between October 15, 2020 and March 31, 2021. However, we do not hold any external debt at MDN. Therefore, this newly enacted resolution, is not expected to have a material impact on our financial statements.

### **Competition and Agreements with Other Parties**

The mining industry is competitive in all its phases. The Company will compete with numerous other participants in the search for the acquisition of mineral properties, in the marketing of mineral resources, technical capacity and for financial resources. Their competitors include mining companies that have substantially greater financial resources,

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staff and facilities than those of the Company, as the case may be. The Company's ability to increase resources in the future will depend not only on its ability to explore and develop its present properties, but also on its ability to select and acquire suitable producing properties or prospects for exploratory drilling. Competitive factors in the distribution and marketing of mineral resources include price and methods and reliability of delivery.

The Company may, in the future, be unable to meet its share of costs incurred under such agreements to which it is a party and it may have its interest in the properties subject to such agreements reduced as a result. Also, if other parties to such agreements do not meet their share of such costs, the Company may not be able to finance the expenditures required to complete recommended programs.

### Regulatory

Cerrado's current and future mining operations including but not limited to exploration, development, production, pricing, marketing and transportation are subject to extensive controls and regulations imposed by various levels of government that may be amended from time to time. Failure to comply with applicable laws, regulations and permit requirements may result in enforcement actions thereunder, including orders issued by regulatory or judicial authorities causing operations to cease or be curtailed, and may include corrective measures requiring capital expenditures, installation of additional equipment, or remedial actions.

The Company's operations may require licenses from various governmental authorities. There can be no assurance that the Company will be able to obtain all necessary approvals, licenses and permits that may be required to carry out exploration and development at its projects. A failure to obtain such approval on a timely basis or material conditions imposed by such authority in connection with the approval would materially affect the prospects of the Company.

### Foreign Operations and Political Risk

The Company holds mining and exploration properties in Argentina and Brazil, exposing it to the socioeconomic conditions as well as the laws governing the mining industry in those countries. Inherent risks with conducting foreign operations include, but are not limited to: high rates of inflation; military repression; war or civil war; social and labour unrest; organized crime; hostage taking; terrorism; violent crime; extreme fluctuations in currency exchange rates; expropriation and nationalization; renegotiation or nullification of existing concessions, licenses, permits and contracts; illegal mining; changes in taxation policies including carbon taxes; restrictions on foreign exchange and repatriation; and changing political norms, currency controls and governmental regulations that favour or require the Company to award contracts in, employ citizens of, or purchase supplies from, a particular jurisdiction.

Changes, if any, in mining or investment policies or shifts in political attitude in any of the jurisdictions in which the Company operates may adversely affect the Company's operations or profitability. Operations may be affected in varying degrees by government regulations with respect to, but not limited to, restrictions on production, price controls, export controls, currency remittance, importation of parts and supplies, income, carbon and other taxes, expropriation of property, foreign investment, maintenance of claims, environmental legislation, land use, land claims of local people, water use and mine safety.

Failure to comply strictly with applicable laws, regulations and local practices relating to mineral right applications and tenure could result in loss, reduction or expropriation of entitlements, or the imposition of additional local or foreign parties as joint venture partners with carried or other interests. In addition, changes in government laws and regulations, including taxation, royalties, the repatriation of profits, restrictions on production, export controls, changes in taxation policies, environmental and ecological compliance, expropriation of property and shifts in the political stability of the country, could adversely affect the Company's exploration, development and production initiatives in these countries.

In Argentina, a 12% export duty was imposed by the government in 2018, revised down to 8% thereafter, which affects the Company's Argentine operations. In the province of Santa Cruz, Argentina, where the Company's MDN mine is located, a new local procurement law was assessed requiring extractive industries to procure at least 50% of their goods and services from registered local providers, which could further impact our operational results.

The Company continues to monitor developments and policies in the jurisdictions in which it operates and the potential impact such developments and policies may have on its operations; however they cannot be accurately predicted and could have an adverse effect on the Company's operations or profitability.

### Environmental

All phases of the mining business present environmental risks and hazards and are subject to environmental regulation pursuant to a variety of federal, provincial and local laws and regulations. Environmental legislation provides for, among

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other things, restrictions and prohibitions on spills, releases or emissions of various substances produced in association with mining operations. The legislation also requires that wells and facility sites be operated, maintained, abandoned and reclaimed to the satisfaction of applicable regulatory authorities. Compliance with such legislation can require significant expenditures and a breach may result in the imposition of fines and penalties, some of which may be material. Environmental legislation is evolving in a manner expected to result in stricter standards and enforcement, larger fines and liability and potentially increased capital expenditures and operating costs. The discharge of resources or other pollutants into the air, soil or water may give rise to liabilities to governments and third parties and may require the Company to incur costs to remedy such discharge. Although the Company believes that it will be in material compliance with current applicable environmental regulations no assurance can be given that environmental laws will not result in a curtailment of production or a material increase in the costs of production, development or exploration activities or otherwise adversely affect the Company's financial condition, results of operations or prospects.

### Permits and Licenses

The Company is required to maintain approvals, licenses and permits from various governmental authorities in order to conduct its business. Such approvals, licenses and permits are complex and time consuming to obtain and, depending on the location of the project, may involve multiple governmental agencies.

In addition, the receipt, duration, amendment or renewal of such approvals, licenses and permits are subject to many variables outside the Company's control, including potential legal challenges from various stakeholders such as environmental groups, non-governmental organizations, community groups or other claimants. The requirements to obtain or maintain such licenses and permits are constantly subject to change. The costs and delays associated with obtaining the necessary permits, consents, authorizations and agreements required for the Company's operations may stop or materially delay or restrict it from proceeding with the development of an exploration project or the operation or further development of an existing mine, resulting in a material adverse impact on its business, financial condition and results of operations.

### Substantial Capital Requirements & Liquidity

The Company may have to make substantial capital expenditures for the acquisition, exploration, development and production of mineral resources in the future. There can be no assurance that such capital will be available or, if available, will be on reasonable terms.

### Issuance of Debt

From time to time, Cerrado may enter into transactions to acquire assets or the shares of other Companies. These transactions may be financed partially or wholly with debt, which may increase the Company's debt levels above industry standards. Depending on future exploration and development plans, the Company may require additional equity and/or debt financing that may not be available or, if available, may not be available on favorable terms. Neither the Company's articles nor its by-laws limit the amount of indebtedness that Cerrado may incur. The level of the Company's indebtedness from time to time could impair the Company's ability to obtain additional financing in the future on a timely basis to take advantage of business opportunities that may arise.

### Insurance and Uninsured Risks

The Company's business is subject to a number of risks and hazards generally, including adverse environmental conditions, industrial accidents, labour disputes, civil unrest and political instability, unusual or unexpected geological conditions, ground or slope failures, cave-ins, changes in the regulatory environment and natural phenomena such as inclement weather conditions, floods and earthquakes. Such occurrences could result in damage to mineral properties or production facilities, personal injury or death, environmental damage to the Company's properties or the properties of others, delays in development or mining, monetary losses and possible legal liability. The Company will maintain insurance to protect against certain other risks in such amounts as it considers reasonable. However, its insurance will not cover all the potential risks associated with its operations. The Company may also be unable to maintain insurance to cover these risks at economically feasible premiums. Insurance coverage may not continue to be available or may not be adequate to cover any resulting liability. Moreover, insurance against risks such as environmental pollution or other hazards as a result of exploration and production is not generally available to the Company or to other companies in the mining industry on acceptable terms. The Company might also become subject to liability for pollution or other hazards which may not be insured against or which the Company may elect not to insure against because of premium costs or other reasons. Losses from these events may cause the Company to incur significant costs that could have a material adverse effect upon its financial performance and results of operations.

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### Title Matters

The Company has taken steps to verify title to mining interests in which it has or is in the process of earning an interest in, including review of condition of title reports, vesting deeds, mining claim location notices and filings, and property tax and other public records and is not presently aware of any title defects. The procedures the Company has undertaken and may undertake in the future to verify title provide no assurance that the underlying properties are not subject to prior agreements or transfers of which the Company is unaware.

### Future Financing Requirements

The development and exploration of Cerrados' properties may require substantial additional financing. Failure to obtain sufficient financing may result in delaying or indefinite postponement of exploration, development or production on any or all of the Company's properties or even a loss of property interest. There can be no assurance that additional capital or other types of financing will be available if needed or that, if available, the terms of such financing will be favourable to Cerrado.

With the acquisition of producing Minera Don Nicolas, the Company is reliant on the expected cash flows from operations of the mine to fund its current and future liabilities. There can be no assurance that operating cash flow or any additional financing will be sufficient for any unexpected development or other costs for the mine.

The amount and timing of raising additional capital, which may involve debt or equity, or a combination of both, may be materially impacted by the economic climate in the capital markets. As a result, the cost and availability of any debt and or equity financing may be restricted. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the Company will be able to raise sufficient funds to satisfy its contractual obligations or to further explore and develop its projects, as applicable, upon terms acceptable to the Company, or at all.

### Dilution

The Company grants stock options and registered share units under its share-based compensation plan. Holders are given an opportunity to profit from an increase in the market price of the Company's common shares with a resulting dilution in the interest of shareholders. The holders of stock options and registered share units may exercise such securities at a time when the Company may have been able to obtain any needed capital by a new offering of securities on terms more favourable than those provided by the outstanding rights. The increase in the number of common shares in the market, if all of part of these outstanding rights were exercised, and the possibility of sales of these additional shares may have a negative effect on the price on the Company's common shares.

In addition, the Company may need to raise additional financing in the future through the issuance of additional equity securities. If the Company raises additional funding by issuing additional equity securities, such financings may substantially dilute the interests of shareholders of the Company and reduce the value of their investment in the Company's securities.

### Reliance on Management

Shareholders of the Company will be dependent on the management of the Company in respect of the administration and management of all matters relating to the Company and its properties and operations. To the extent that management's services would be unavailable for any reason, a disruption to the operations of the Company could result and other persons would be required to manage and operate the Company.

### Conflicts of Interest

Certain directors and officers of the Company are also directors and officers of other reporting issuers involved in mineral exploration and development, and conflicts of interest may arise between their duties as officers and directors of the Company, as the case may be, and as officers and directors of such other companies.

### Possible Failure to Realize Anticipated Benefits of Future Acquisitions

The Company may complete acquisitions to strengthen its position in the mineral exploration industry and to create the opportunity to realize certain benefits including, among other things, potential cost savings. Achieving the benefits of any future acquisitions depends, in part, on successfully consolidating functions and integrating operations, procedures and personnel in a timely and efficient manner, as well as the Company's ability to realize the anticipated growth opportunities and synergies from combining the acquired businesses and operations with its own.

### Currency Risk

By virtue of the location of its operations and exploration activities, the Company incurs costs and expenses in a number of currencies other than the Canadian and U.S. dollar. The Company has historically raised and expects to continue to

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raise capital through equity financings principally in Canadian and U.S. dollars, while the majority of its operating and capital costs are incurred in Argentine Pesos and Brazilian Real, giving rise to potential significant foreign currency translation and transaction exposure which could have a material adverse impact upon the Company.

### Unfavourable Economic Conditions

The Company's results of operations could be adversely affected by general conditions in the global economy and in the global financial markets. A severe or prolonged economic downturn could result in a variety of risks to our business, including our ability to raise additional capital when needed on acceptable terms, if at all. A weak or declining economy could strain our suppliers, possibly resulting in supply disruption, or cause delays in payments for our services by third-party payors. Any of the foregoing could harm our business and we cannot anticipate all of the ways in which the current our future economic climate and financial market conditions could adversely impact our business.

### COVID-19 and Other Health Crisis

The current COVID-19 pandemic and any future emergence of similar pathogens could have an adverse impact on global economic conditions which may adversely impact the Company's operations and the operations of its suppliers, contractors and service providers and the ability to obtain financing and maintain necessary liquidity, the demand for and ability to transport the Company's products and its ability to advance its projects and other growth initiatives. Travel bans may also adversely impact the Company's operations and the ability of the Company to advance its projects. In particular, should any employees or consultants of the Company become infected with COVID-19, it could have a material negative impact on the Company's operations and prospects.

The outbreak of COVID-19 and the resulting global upheavals have caused significant volatility in commodity prices. The outbreak and its declaration as a global pandemic is causing companies and governments around the world to impose sweeping restrictions on the movement of people and goods, including social distancing measures and restrictions on group gatherings and isolation and quarantine requirements, closure of business and government offices, travel advisories and travel restrictions. The duration of these measures, and the related business, social and government disruptions and financial impact cannot be reasonably estimated at this time. The Company cannot estimate whether or to what extent these measures, and the resulting impacts may adversely impact the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations. The Company is working closely with national and local authorities, including labour unions, and continues to closely monitor each site's situation, including public and employee sentiment to ensure that stakeholders are in alignment with continued safe operation of its sites.

### MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The information provided in this MD&A and the Consolidated Financial Statements is the responsibility of management. In the preparation of these statements, estimates are sometimes necessary to make a determination of future values for certain assets or liabilities. Management believes such estimates have been based on careful judgments and have been properly reflected in the consolidated financial statements.

### Additional Information

Additional information relating to the Company can also be found on the Company's website [www.cerradogold.com](http://www.cerradogold.com).

### TECHNICAL INFORMATION

All technical information contained herein has been reviewed and approved by Sergio Gelcich, P. Geo, an officer of the Company. Mr. Gelcich is a "qualified person" within the meaning of National Instrument 43-101 – Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects.