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A2GOLD WELCOMES JOHN MARMA AS VICE PRESIDENT OF EXPLORATION

Tonopah, Nevada / January 5, 2026 – A2Gold Corp. (“A2Gold” or the “Company”) (AUUAU: TSX-V) (AUXXF: OTCQX) is pleased to announce the appointment of **John Marma** as **Vice President, Exploration**, effective immediately.

Peter Gianulis, CEO of A2Gold, commented: “We are extremely pleased to welcome John to A2Gold as Vice President of Exploration. He brings a rare combination of deep Nevada exploration experience, discovery success, and major-company operational discipline. John’s background, coupled with A2’s strong treasury position will allow the Company to aggressively explore Eastside as well as look for additional opportunities.

John’s track record of discovery, particularly at Midas, and his leadership experience at Hecla, Klondex, and Newmont, will be invaluable as we execute our upcoming 18,000-metre RC drill program and advance Eastside toward its next phase of growth.”

JOHN MARMA BIOGRAPHY

Mr. Marma is a professional geologist with over 20 years of experience in mineral exploration, development, and production, primarily focused in Nevada, as well as Alaska and South Africa. He brings extensive technical and operational expertise across a wide range of deposit types, including epithermal vein systems, Carlin-type gold deposits, orogenic gold, and gold porphyry systems.

Most recently, Mr. Marma served as President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of White Pine Metals (WPM), a private mineral exploration company focused on advancing the Taylor project in Nevada. In this role, he provided executive leadership and was instrumental in recognizing and defining the multiple styles of mineralization at the project. Prior to WPM, he served as Director of Exploration and Geology – Nevada for Hecla Mining, where he was responsible for exploration strategy and geologic mine support across all Nevada-based operations. Previously to this, he held senior exploration roles with Klondex Mines and Newmont, focusing on epithermal vein systems in the Northern Nevada Rift and Carlin-type deposits.

Earlier in his career, Mr. Marma worked on orogenic gold systems in the Barberton District of South Africa, and on the Donlin Creek gold porphyry project in Alaska with Placer Dome. Notably, he was directly responsible for the discovery of the Eastern Veins and the Green Racer Sinter Vein at the Midas Mine, two important discoveries that significantly enhanced the understanding and value of the Gold Circle district in Nevada.

Mr. Marma holds a B.S. in Geoscience from North Dakota State University and a M.S. in Geology from University of Wisconsin–Madison. He was also awarded a Fulbright Scholarship and conducted advanced geological studies at Karl Franzens University of Graz in Austria.

He is a Registered Professional Geologist with the American Institute of Professional Geologists (AIPG #11709) and a long-standing member of both the Society of Economic Geologists (SEG) and the Geological Society of Nevada (GSN).

ABOUT A2GOLD CORP

A2Gold Corp. owns three highly prospective gold projects in the United States all of which are in the mining-friendly jurisdiction of Nevada. A2Gold's flagship, district-scale Eastside Gold-Silver Project hosts a large and expanding gold and silver resource and is in an area of excellent infrastructure. Preliminary metallurgical testing indicates that both oxide and sulphide gold mineralization at Eastside is amenable to heap leaching.

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