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ABERDEEN ACQUIRES SECURITIES IN FURA GEMS INC.

<u>FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE</u>

Toronto, Ontario, May 9, 2017 - ABERDEEN INTERNATIONAL INC. ("Aberdeen" or the "Company") (TSX: AAB) has acquired 2,380,952 units of Fura Gems Inc. ("**Fura**")(**TSX-V: FUR**) in a non-brokered private placement financing of Fura at a price of $0.21 per Unit for a total purchase price of $500,000. Each Unit is comprised of one common share of the Company (a "Common Share") and one half of one Common Share purchase warrant (each a "Warrant").

Prior to the acquisition of the aforesaid securities, Aberdeen beneficially owned 6,800,000 Fura common shares and 2,400,000 warrants with an exercise price of $0.17 expiring on June 23, 2017. As a result of this transaction, Aberdeen's ownership has increased to 9,180,952 common shares and 3,590,476 warrants which represents 17.8% of Fura on an issued and outstanding basis or 23.2% on a partially fully diluted basis.

Aberdeen completed this private placement for investment purposes and may buy or sell Fura securities in the future.

Fura's head office is at 65 Queen Street West, Suite 800, Toronto, Ontario, M5H 2M5.

ABOUT ABERDEEN INTERNATIONAL INC.

Aberdeen International is a global resource investment company and merchant bank focused on small capitalization companies in the mining and metals sector.

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