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Desert Gold Discovers More Gold at its Farabantourou Project, Western Mali; Select Grab Samples Return Multiple >100 g/t Gold Values

Delta, British Columbia, March 25, 2019. Desert Gold Ventures Inc. (“Desert Gold” or “the Company”)(TSX.V: DAU, FF: QXR2, OTC: DAUGF) is pleased to provide the following update regarding the results of a recently completed mapping, rock and soil sampling program at its Farabantourou permit.

HIGHLIGHTS

Assay results received from pit mapping and grab sampling, over various artisanal mining areas, at its Frikidi prospect area, returned significant high-grade gold values including the following highlights:

- **5 samples >100 g/t gold**
- **72.4 g/t gold**
- **61.5 g/t gold**
- **58.1 g/t gold**
- **51 g/t gold**
- **47.3 g/t gold**
- **43.8 g/t gold**
- **41.8 g/t gold**
- **29.9 g/t gold**
- **28 g/t gold**

**Note that grab samples are selective samples and are not necessarily representative of the mineralisation hosted on the property.*

Desert Gold’s President Jared Scharf commented, “Results from this program are very encouraging and demonstrate significant potential for a new gold discovery in the Frikidi area. Mapping and prospecting is ongoing and I expect additional targets to be generated from this work. Drilling is most certainly warranted in the Frikidi area.”

ABOUT THE FRIKIDI PROSPECT AREA

The Frikidi prospect area lies within the northwest part of the Company’s Farabantourou permit on the western side of the Senegal Mali Shear Zone. Detailed geology and structural mapping associated with grab sampling was completed over the Frikidi prospect area. This program is part of an ongoing geological mapping and prospecting program that is expected to continue until the entire Farabantourou permit has been mapped and sampled. The objective of this initial phase of exploration is to understand the structural controls of the gold mineralization and develop drill targets.

MAPPING AND MINERALIZATION

During the program, a total of 259 grab samples were collected and sent to the SGS Bamako Laboratory for assay. Of the 259 grab samples, 92 contained gold values > 1.0 g/t gold 61 samples returning gold values greater than 5 g/t gold. Sample details are presented in a table at the end of the release. The strongest gold values were collected along a northwest-tending zone that is approximately 3 km by 1 km in size (Figures 1 and 2). Other than a small first pass drill program carried out over the Kousilli Prospect in the far northwest corner of the sampled area, which returned a highlight intercept of 6.4 g/t Au over 4 metres, the majority of these gold bearing areas have not been tested by drilling.

During mapping and sampling, work over the Frikidi prospect identified three parallel, northerly trending zones of gold-bearing mineralization. These zones appear to be hosted by a completely altered felsic intrusions that intruded into silica-albite-chlorite-altered sandstone with cracked and brecciated quartz veins and local pyrite. These three zones are summarized below.

- **Frikidi East:** traced for over 550 meters along strike with an average width of 4 metres.
- **Frikidi Central:** traced for over 360 meters along strike with an average width of 4 metres.
- **Frikidi West:** traced for 250 meters along strike with an average width of 4 metres.

Figure 1. Farabantourou Permit Map Showing Frikidi Prospect

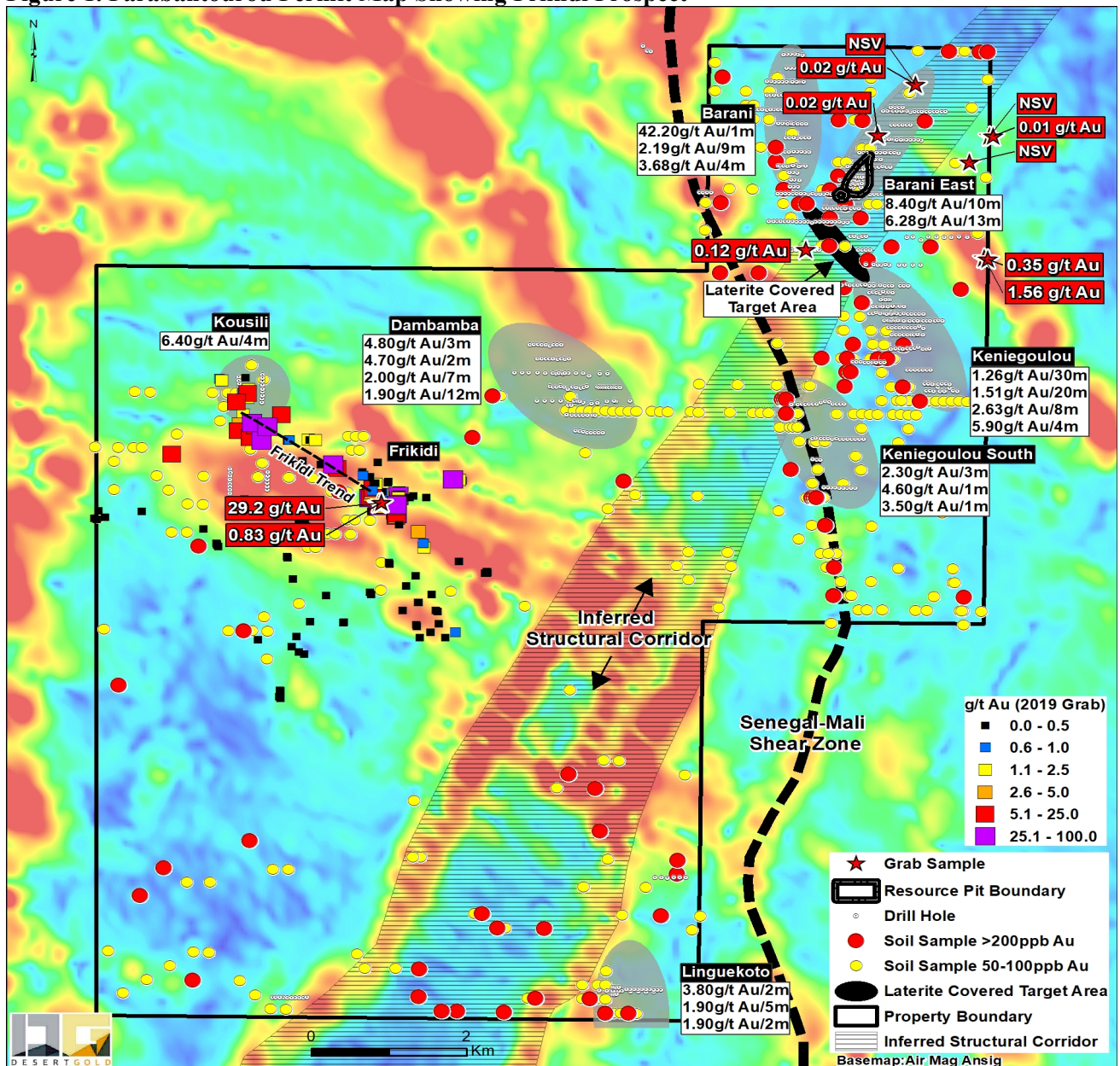
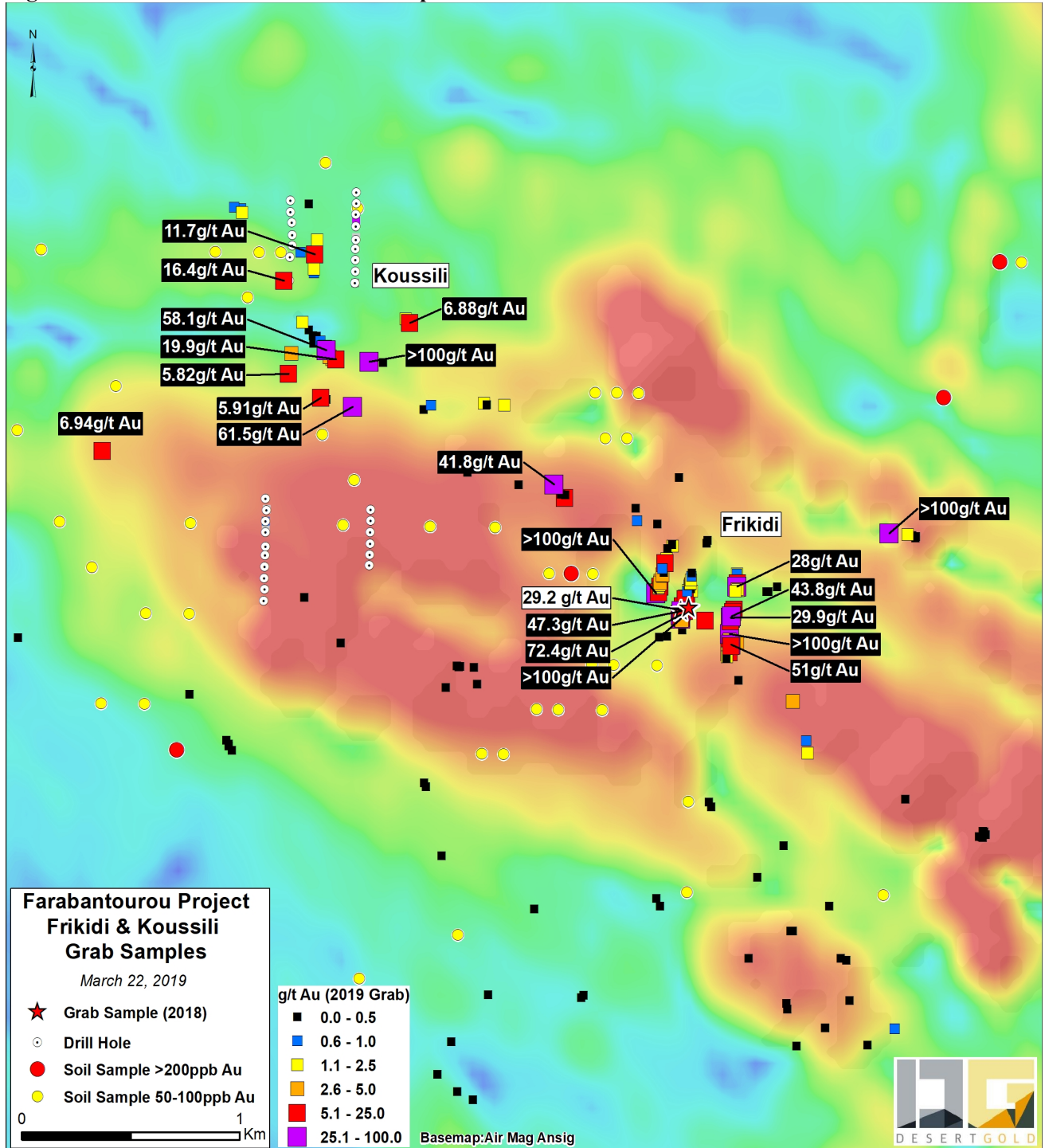


Figure 2. Frikidi/Koussili Area Grab Sample Results





RESULTS FROM FRIKIDI/KOUSILLI GRAB SAMPLING PROGRAM

During the program, a total 259 grab samples were collected and sent to the SGS Bamako Laboratory for assay using FAA 505 method. Of the 259 grab samples, 92 contained gold values greater than 1 g/t gold with many returning high-grade gold values. Grab samples are selective samples and are not necessarily representative of the mineralisation hosted on the property.

Sample	Description	Au g/t
FWG0047	Quartz veins sheared and oxidized along the fractures planes + boxworks	>100
FWG0104	Quartz veins brecciated and oxidized, hematite altered (Ore of artisanal miners)	>100
FWG0141	Quartz veins, cracked, brecciated, + boxwork (Ore of artisanal miners)	>100
FWG0159	Quartz vein (310/40) oxidized 5-10cm, oxidized in excavation	>100
FWG0231	Quartz vein (305/60) oxidized, cracked (Ore)	>100
FWG0111	Quartz veins (355/50) brecciated, cracked + boxwork	72.4
FWG0221	Quartz vein (290/50) 1cm oxidized, cracked + boxwork in trench	61.5
FWG0209	Quartz fragment oxidized, cracked + boxwork (ore)	58.1
FWG0051	Quartz veins oxidized, cracked + boxwork (Ore of artisanal miners)	51
FWG0120	Oxidized quartz veins cracked, brecciated with boxwork (Ore of artisanal miners)	47.3
FWG0175	Quartz veins, cracked, brecciated, + boxworks (Ore of artisanal miners)	43.8
FWG0182	Quartz veins, cracked, brecciated, + boxworks (Ore of artisanal miners)	41.8
FWG0042	Brecciated and cracked quartz veins oxidized along fractures planes (Ore of artisanal miners)	29.9
FWG0032	Brecciated quartz veins oxidized, cracked (Ore of artisanal miners)	28
FWG0143	Quartz veins, cracked, brecciated, + pyrite (Ore of artisanal miners)	23.5
FWG0039	Brecciated and cracked quartz veins oxidized along fractures planes (Ore of artisanal miners)	23.4
FWG0177	Quartz veins, cracked, brecciated, + boxworks (Ore of artisanal miners)	22.4
FWG0205	Reject: quartz vein fragment cracked + boxwork	19.9
FWG0107	Quartz veins brecciated and oxidized, hematite altered (Ore of artisanal miners)	17.9
FWG0108	Saprolite sandstone in hanging wall shear zone with hematite + limonite alteration + boxwork	17.1
FWG0058	Quartz veins, cracked + boxwork	17
FWG0136	Sheraes quartz veins, cracked, brecciated, + boxwork (Ore of artisanal miners)	16.9
FWG0116	Quartz veins, cracked, brecciated, + boxwork (Ore of artisanal miners)	16.7
FWG0201	Quartz veins sheared + boxwork in trench	16.4
FWG0046	Quartz veins oxidized along the fractures planes + boxwork	16.3
FWG0122	Oxidized quartz veins cracked, brecciated with boxwork (Ore of artisanal miners)	12.4
FWG0030	Massive sandstone with quartz veins	12.3
FWG0038	Brecciated and cracked quartz veins oxidized along fractures planes (Ore of artisanal miners)	12.3
FWG0197	Reject: quartz vein cracked + boxwork	11.7
FWG0098	Quartz veins (015/55) 5cm oxidized, cracked, brecciated + boxwork (Ore of artisanal miners)	11.1
FWG0174	Quartz veins, cracked, brecciated, + boxworks (Ore of artisanal miners)	9.96
FWG0052	Brecciated and cracked quartz veins + boxworks (Ore of artisanal miners)	9.61
FWG0154	Oxidized quartz veins , cracked, brecciated (Ore of artisanal miners)	8.65
FWG0119	Sandstone, hematite alteration + veinlets stockwprk	7.97
FWG0232	Quartz vein (260/36) oxidized,	6.94



FWG0226	Sheared quartz vein (300/55) 10-20cm oxidized, cracked (Ore)	6.88
FWG0112	Quartz veins brecciated, oxidized within massive sandstone	6.82
FWG0218	Quartz vein (265/55) 1cm oxidized, in trench	5.91
FWG0217	Massive sandstone, limonite alteration + Feox veinlets	5.82
FWG0092	Mafic rock in contact with sandstone	5.52
FWG0207	Sandstone sheared + stockwork quartz oxidized	4.79
FWG0137	Sheraes quartz veins, cracked, brecciated, + boxwork (Ore of artisanal miners)	4.76
FWG0206	Reject: quartz vein fragment cracked in trench	4.76
FWG0121	Oxidized quartz veins brecciated, hematite + limonite altered + boxwork (Ore of artisanal miners)	4.6
FWG0146	Reject quartz veins oxidized	4.42
FWG0031	Brecciated quartz veins oxidized	4.07
FWG0202	Quartz vein (315/75) 10cm oxidized, crackek in trench	3.8
FWG0048	Brecciated and cracked quartz veins oxidized along fractures planes (Ore of artisanal miners)	3.54
FWG0152	Sandstone massive, hematite alteration + quatz veins + pyrite	3.26
FWG0115	Sandstone + quartz veins oxidized and sheared	3.04
FWG0211	Massive sandstone, limonite alteration + quartz veins	2.89
FWG0035	Massive sandstone oxidized showing limonite alteration + quartz veinlets + boxwork	2.86
FWG0176	Quartz veins, cracked, brecciated, + boxworks (Ore of artisanal miners)	2.85
FWG0081	Quartz veins (320/70) oxidized in trench	2.73
FWG0134	Oxidized quartz veins sheared, brecciated with hematite from orpailleurs	2.71
FWG0149	Sandstone massive, hematite alteration + stockwork quatz veins + pyrite disseminated	2.67
FWG0033	Stockwork quartz veins, hematite and chlorite alteration in massive sandstone host rock	2.57
FWG0106	Sandstone sheared strongly in hanging wall, silicified and bleached + quartz veins along shearing plane	2.51
FWG0140	Hanging wall sandstone sheared, hematite alteration + stockwork quartz veins sheared + boxwork	2.38
FWG0041	Massive sandstone weak weathered + quartz veins + boxwork	2.3
FWG0142	Sandstone massive, hematite alteration + stockwork quatz veins + pyrite disseminated	2.29
FWG0228	Quartz vein 5-10cm oxidized, cracked + boxwork (Ore)	2.22
FWG0186	Quartz vein (320/65) oxidized, cracked + boxwork	2.21
FWG0227	Quartz vein 10-20cm oxidized, cracked + boxwork (Ore)	2.21
FWG0037	Sheared quartz veins in hanging wall, hematite altered	2.13
FWG0183	Quartz vein (305/40) oxidized, cracked	2.12
FWG0127	Sandstone massive, hematite alteration + quartz veins oxidized	2.08
FWG0139	Hanging wall sandstone sheared, hematite alteration + stockwork quartz veins sheared + boxwork	2.08
FWG0148	Sandstone massive, hematite alteration + stockwork quatz veins + pyrite disseminated	2.06
FWG0198	sandstone massive, limonite alteration + quartz veins oxidized	1.9
FWG0129	Sandstone massive, limonite alteration + stockwork quartz veins oxidized	1.73
FWG0036	Sheared quartz veins in hanging wall, hematite altered + boxwork	1.72
FWG0195	Quartz vein (010/55) oxidized	1.7
FWG0102	Saprolite of sandstone, sheared + stockwork + feox veinlets	1.66
FWG0027	Sandstone massive, silica + hematite + sericite altered + quartz veins + pyrite along veins plane	1.64
FWG0114	Sandstone sheared strongly in hanging wall, silicified and bleached + quartz veins + boxwork	1.63



FWG0147	Hanging wall sandstone sheared, hematite alteration + stockwork quartz veins sheared + pyrite	1.63
FWG0128	Hanging wall sandstone sheared, limonite alteration + stockwork quartz veins oxidized	1.59
FWG0068	Sandstone massive, hematite alteration + quartz veins oxidized	1.49
FWG0109	Sheared sandstone, bleached + quartz veins, hematite alteration	1.49
FWG0158	Quartz vein (130/40) oxidized 20cm, sheared and brecciated	1.49
FWG0214	Sandstone sheared, limonite alteration + quartz veins	1.45
FWG0144	Sandstone massive, hematite alteration + stockwork quartz veins + pyrite disseminated	1.38
FWG0160	Hanging wall sandstone sheared, hematite alteration + stockwork quartz veins sheared in excavation	1.36
FWG0161	Hanging wall sandstone sheared, hematite alteration + stockwork quartz veins sheared in excavation	1.35
FWG0034	Massive sandstone oxidized showing limonite alteration + quartz veinlets + boxwork	1.27
FWG0055	Rejet: brecciated and sheared quartz veins ,oxidized + disseminated boxwork	1.22
FWG0078	Sheared sandstone in hanging wall zone, bleached, limonite alteration + stockwork quartz veins + Boxwork	1.22
FWG0053	Brecciated and cracked quartz veins + boxwork	1.2
FWG0077	Sheared sandstone in hanging wall zone, bleached, limonite alteration + stockwork quartz veins + Boxwork	1.03
FWG0118	Hanging wall sandstone sheared, limonite alteration + stockwork quartz veins oxidized	1.02
FWG0188	Quartz vein (015/50) oxidized, cracked in trench	1.01
FWG0069	Sandstone massive, hematite alteration + feox veinlet	0.96
FWG0194	Quartz vein (325/45) oxidized	0.95
FWG0193	Sandstone massive, limonite alteration + stockwork quartz veins oxidized	0.91
FWG0019	Rejet: saprolite sandstone in hang wall shear with limonite alteration + quartz and Feox veins + boxwork	0.86
FWG0189	Quartz vein (360/50) oxidized, cracked + boxwork in trench	0.82
FWG0192	Quartz vein (350/60) 10cm oxidized, cracked + boxwork in trench	0.82
FWG0029	Sheared sandstone, chlorite, sericite alteration + quartz veinlets sheared + boxwork	0.8
FWG0117	Hanging wall sandstone sheared, limonite alteration + stockwork quartz veins oxidized	0.8
FWG0131	Sandstone massive + stockwork quartz veins	0.79
FWG0212	Reject sandstone massive massive, limonite alteration + quartz veins hemtite alteration	0.77
FWG0170	Sandstone oxidized + stockwork quartz veins in excavation	0.75
FWG0113	Quartz vein in sandstone oxidized + boxwork	0.73
FWG0222	Sandstone massive, kaolinite alteration + feox veinlets	0.73
FWG0020	Rejet: saprolite sandstone in hang wall shear with limonite alteration + quartz and Feox veins + boxwork	0.7
FWG0126	Sandstone massive, hematite alteration + quartz veins	0.7
FWG0125	Sandstone massive, hematite alteration	0.67
FWG0001	Brecciated sandstone with argillitic clasts and moderate hematite alteration	0.66
FWG0167	Quartz veins, cracked, brecciated, + pyrite (Ore of artisanal miners)	0.66
FWG0208	Massive sandstone, limonite alteration + stockwork quartz veins in excavation	0.66
FWG0151	Sandstone massive, hematite alteration + stockwork quartz veins + pyrite disseminated	0.65
FWG0044	Sheared sandstone, alteration in hematite + quartz veins	0.44
FWG0080	Sandstone massive weak weathered, hematite alteration, stockwork quartz veins oxidized	0.41
FWG0230	Sheared sandstone, limonite alteration + quartz veins	0.41
FWG0054	Saprolite sandstone in hanging wall showing limonite alteration	0.4
FWG0138	Sandstone massive + individual quartz veins	0.39



FWG0233	Saprolite sandstone, limonite alteration + feox veinlets	0.39
FWG0153	Quartz veins, cracked, brecciated, + pyrite (Ore of artisanal miners)	0.38
FWG0086	Quartz veins (090/50) oxidized, hematite + limonite alteration	0.37
FWG0173	Quartz veins fragments cracked	0.36
FWG0075	Quartz veins (300/60) very oxidized, hematite alteration, brecciated + boxwork	0.35
FWG0184	Hanging wall sandstone sheared, limonite alteration + stockwork quartz veins + boxwork	0.32
FWG0096	Quartz veins (360/60) 5-10cm, sheared, brecciated, limonite alteration + boxwork (Ore of artisanal miners)	0.31
FWG0123	Mafic intrusive foliated weakly	0.3
FWG0164	Quartz vein (010/40) oxidized 5-10cm, oxidized, cracked in excavation	0.27
FWG0178	Sandstone massive, silica, hematite alteration +pyrite disseminated	0.27
FWG0181	Hanging wall sandstone sheared, limonite alteration + stockwork quartz veins	0.27
FWG0050	Saprolite of sandstone sheared, hematite + limonite alteration + quartz veinlets + boxwork	0.26
FWG0073	Stockwork quartz veins cracked + boxwork	0.26
FWG0097	Sheared sandstone in hanging wall zone, bleached, limonite alteration + Boxwork	0.26
FWG0219	Sandstone sheared, hematite + limonite alteration + stockwork quartz veins brecciated	0.26
FWG0213	reject: quartz fragment, brecciated	0.24
FWG0101	Sandstone massive, hematite or albite alteration + disseminated pyrite	0.21
FWG0132	Quartz veins, cracked, brecciated, + boxwork (Ore of artisanal miners))	0.21
FWG0043	Massive sandstone weak weathered + quartz veins + boxwork	0.17
FWG0216	Quartz fragment 15cm oxidized, cracked	0.17
FWG0165	Quartz veins fragments in excavation	0.16
FWG0082	Quartz veins (115/75) parallel in sandstone-conglomeratic	0.14
FWG0199	Hanging wall sandstone sheared, limonite alteration + stockwork quartz veins + boxwork	0.14
FWG0224	Massive sandstone, limonite + hematite alteration + Feox veins	0.14
FWG0223	Sandstone massive, kaolinite alteration + feox veinlets	0.12

INTERPRETATION AND FOLLOWUP

Given the excellent results from the geological mapping and grab sampling program at Frikidi, further work is warranted. The Company is planning to follow up with a drill program consisting of a combination of air-core and reverse circulation drilling to further assess the potential of the Frikidi prospect area.

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ABOUT DESERT GOLD

Desert Gold Ventures Inc. is a gold exploration and development company which holds 3 gold exploration permits in Western Mali (Farabantourou, Segala West and Djimbala) and its Rutare gold project in central Rwanda. For further information please visit www.SEDAR.com under the company's profile.



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QA/QC PROCEDURES

All grab samples were geologically described following Desert Gold's established standard operating procedures. For grab sampling, all individual samples represent approximately 2-3 kilograms that is sent for preparation and gold assaying at the SGS laboratories in Bamako, Mali. Each sample is fire-assayed for gold by SGS laboratories in Bamako using Au-FAA505 method that is a 50g fire assay fusion with AAS instrument finish. In addition to SGS own QA/QC (Quality Assurance/Quality Control) program, an internal quality control and quality assurance program is in place throughout the sampling program, using blind duplicates (1 :20), blanks (1 :20) and recognized industry standards (1 :20).

TECHNICAL DISCLOSURE

This press release contains certain scientific and technical information of Desert Gold. The Company is solely responsible for the contents and accuracy of any scientific and technical information disclosure relating to it.

Don Dudek, P.Geo. is a director of Desert Gold and a Qualified Person under National Instrument 43-101, has reviewed and approved the scientific and technical information contained in this press release.

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