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NEWS RELEASE

EASTERN PLATINUM LIMITED'S OPERATIONS IN SOUTH AFRICA TO TEMPORARILY CLOSE EFFECTIVE MARCH 27, 2020 TO COMPLY WITH THE SOUTH AFRICAN 21 DAY LOCKDOWN DUE TO CORONAVIRUS

March 25, 2020, Vancouver, British Columbia – Eastern Platinum Limited (“**Eastplats**” or the “**Company**”) reports that the President of South Africa, Mr. Cyril Ramaphosa, has imposed a nation-wide twenty-one (21) day lockdown to fight the Coronavirus outbreak. The lockdown will begin at midnight on March 26 in South Africa and end at midnight on April 16. Individuals will not be allowed to leave their homes except under strictly controlled circumstances, such as to seek medical care and buy food and medicine.

As a result, the Company will temporarily close all operations in South Africa including the current re-mining operations at Crocodile River Mine (“**CRM**”), except for some critical underground care and maintenance activities where the Company will seek an exception. Management and staff are working to safeguard our employees and equipment at this time.

During this Coronavirus outbreak, Eastplats has produced risk assessments and adopted appropriate new and updated procedures to ensure as best as possible it maintained a safe place for its employees and the communities in which it operates. During this time and when operations restart Eastplats will maintain its safety standards.

The effects of the Coronavirus are changing rapidly and the consequences of the temporary shutdown of the CRM cannot be reasonably estimated at this time but could have material adverse effects on the Company’s business and cashflows.

The Company supports the South African government’s efforts to fight the Coronavirus.

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In particular, this press release contains forward-looking statements pertaining to: the effects of a lockdown in South Africa, effects and duration of the Coronavirus, the effects of the temporary closure of the CRM and its effects on operational activity of the re-mining activities and the Company’s business and cashflows. These forward-looking statements are based on assumptions made by and information currently available to the Company. Although management considers these assumptions to be reasonable based on information currently available to it, they may prove to be incorrect. By their very nature, forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties and readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these statements as a number of factors could cause actual results to differ materially from the beliefs, plans, objectives, expectations, estimates and intentions expressed in such forward-looking statements. These factors include, but are not limited to, unanticipated problems

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