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BANYAN APPOINTS T. SEAN HARVEY TO ADVISORY BOARD

BANYAN GOLD CORP. ("**Banyan**") is pleased to appoint Sean Harvey to Banyan's Advisory Board.

T. Sean Harvey, MBA, LL.B. has a depth of experience in the mining industry having spent 10 years in investment and merchant banking primarily focused on the mining sector. More recently he has held senior executive and Board positions with a number of mining companies, including TVX Gold Inc., Atlantico Gold Inc. and Orvana Minerals Corp. Sean also serves as a director of Victoria Gold Corp., Abacus Minerals, Perseus Mining Ltd., Serabi gold Plc. and Sarama Resources Ltd. Sean has an M.B.A in Finance and an LL.B specializing in tax and corporate law, an honors BA in economics and geography and an MA in economics. He is a member of the Law Society of Upper Canada.

"We are very pleased to have Sean join Banyan's Advisory Board" stated Tara Christie, President & CEO. "The depth of his knowledge and contacts within the industry adds breadth and depth to the Banyan team."

"I strongly believe the Yukon is one of the world's best mining jurisdictions and Banyan: with Hyland as a core asset and a new invigorated management team is well positioned to create exceptional shareholder value." stated Sean Harvey.

The company has issued a total of 350,000 stock options at $0.07 options to Directors, Officers and advisors of the company.

Corporate update: The Company will be attending the following conferences and giving presentations. Webcasts of the presentations will be made available.

November 2-3, 2016 Attending Precious Metal Summit, Zurich, Park Hyatt
Presentation: **Wednesday, Nov 2** at **10:50-11:10 AM** in Room 1

November 4, 2016: Attending Precious metals Summit, London
Presentation: **Friday, Nov 4** at **10:35-10:55 AM** in Room 2

This News Release has been reviewed and approved by Paul D. Gray, P.Geo., a Qualified Person as defined by NI 43-101.

About Banyan Gold
Banyan is a gold exploration and development company whose flagship property, the Hyland Gold Project ("Hyland"), is approximately 70km NE of Watson Lake, Yukon, along the southeast end of the Tintina Gold Belt. The Main Zone gold Inferred Resource, at a 0.6 g/t gold equivalent ("AuEq") cutoff, hosts a NI 43-101 compliant Resource of 12,503,994 tonnes containing 361,692 ounces gold at 0.9 g/t and 2,248,948 ounces silver at 5.59 g/t for a combined gold and silver 396,468 ounces gold equivalent.

Banyan trades on the TSX-Venture Exchange under the symbol "BYN". For more information please visit the corporate website at www.BanyanGold.com or contact the Company.

ON BEHALF OF THE BANYAN BOARD OF DIRECTORS

(signed) *"Tara Christie"*
Tara Christie
President & CEO

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