

LACHLAN STAR LIMITED

Executive Recruitment Update

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**LACHLAN STAR ANNOUNCES  
APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER**

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**Perth, Western Australia:** Gold miner, Lachlan Star Limited (“Lachlan” or the “Company”) (ASX and TSX: LSA) is pleased to announce that it has recruited Mr Ubirata (Bira) De Oliveira to the role of Chief Operating Officer (COO).

Reporting to the Managing Director, Mr De Oliveira will be responsible for Lachlan Star’s operations and business development in Latin America.

Mr De Oliveira is a professional engineer with formal qualifications in Mining Engineering, Minerals Processing, and Project Management. He is currently completing a PhD in Management - Leadership and Organisational Change in the USA. These formal qualifications are backed by more than 35 years operational experience in Latin America and West Africa in base metals and gold mines.

Most recently Mr De Oliveira was Chief Operating Officer for CuCo Resources Limited, a private Canadian company with copper and cobalt operations in the Democratic Republic of Congo. His mine operations pedigree also includes:

- General Manager of First Quantum Minerals Ltd, Frontier Operations in the DRC;
- General Manager of First Quantum Minerals Ltd, Guelb Moghrein Operations in Mauritania; and
- Operations Manager at AngloGold Ashanti’s Sadiola Hill Gold Mine in Mali.

Before moving to Africa in 2005, Mr De Oliveira fulfilled a variety of consulting, mine management and technical engineering roles in the gold and industrial minerals sectors of Venezuela, Uruguay, and Brazil. He is fluent in Spanish, Portuguese, English and French.

Mr De Oliveira's skill set will enhance Lachlan Star's Corporate Management Team and strengthen our presence in Latin America. His management and technical background will augment the CMD Gold Mine management team as we shape the operation into a lower cost gold producer through expansion of the mine and implementation of owner mining.

## Remuneration

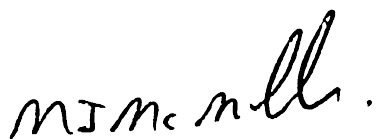
Mr De Oliveira's remuneration package includes the following options in Lachlan Star:

- 100,000 unlisted options to acquire fully paid shares with a strike price of A\$2.10 each and a term of three years, vesting on the earlier of 12 months after the commencement of employment or an offer being made for all of the shares in Lachlan Star; and
- 100,000 unlisted options to acquire fully paid shares with a strike price of A\$2.50 each and a term of three years, vesting on the earlier of 12 months after the commencement of employment or an offer being made for all of the shares in Lachlan Star.

The issue of these options is subject to TSX and shareholder approval.

The Board of Directors welcomes Mr De Oliveira to the Company and looks forward to working closely with him.

For and on behalf of the Board



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