

EMGOLD MINING CORPORATION

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EMGOLD RETAINS WINDWARD COMMUNICATIONS TO MANAGE ITS INVESTOR RELATIONS PROGRAMME IN NORTH AMERICA

Emgold Mining Corporation (EMR:TSX Venture Exchange) wishes to announce that, subject to regulatory approval, it has retained the services of Windward Communications & Consulting (“Windward”) to assist with the development and implementation of a well-rounded investor and broker relations programme for the Company.

Windward is owned by Mr. Kelly A. Boatright, an experienced investor relations and public relations professional, who has been recognized for his innovations and professionalism within the sector. Windward will seek to expand awareness of Emgold’s story through the maintenance of broad-based newsletter coverage, improved dissemination of press announcements, broker meetings and seminars, financial shows, strategic banner ads and related programs which are determined to be of positive value.

Windward maintains offices in Vancouver, British Columbia and Charlotte, North Carolina and also works closely with agents and consultants in Spokane, Toronto, New York and London, England. Windward has been in business for 20 years and is wholly focused upon the natural resource sectors.

Windward will receive an initial set-up fee of US\$3,500, which will cover services during April and May of 2003, and thereafter a fee of US\$2,500 per month starting June 1, 2003. The term of the contract is non-specific. However, Emgold may terminate the agreement at any time by providing Windward with a two-week written notice and payment of any outstanding fees. Emgold will pay Windward’s fees from its current working capital. Windward and Mr. Boatright are at arm’s-length to the Company.

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