Orca Gold Intersects 13m at 10.19g/t Au and 93.7m at 1.72g/t Au at its Block 14 Gold Project in Sudan

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA--(Marketwired - Oct. 17, 2017) - Orca Gold Inc. (TSX VENTURE:ORG)("Orca" or the "Company") is pleased to announce the first results from the current drilling campaign at its Block 14 gold project in Sudan.

HIGHLIGHTS

- First 7,625 metres of a 25,000-metre drill program have been completed with four diamond rigs at Galat Sufar South (GSS)
 - Results from initial drilling include several intercepts below Orca's Revised PEA
- pits and outside current resource, indicating significant resource expansion potential
- Highlights of drill results include:
 - GSDD015: 19.1 m at 3.98 g/t Au and 48.0m at 1.96 g/t Au
 - GSDD016: 96.0m at 2.68 g/t Au and 20.4m at 3.80 g/t Au
 - GSGT004: 39.5m at 4.94 g/t Au and 13m at 10.19 g/t Au

DETAILS

To date, 7,625 metres of the 25,000-metre programme have been completed with four diamond core rigs currently operating at Galat Sufar South (GSS). The objectives of this programme are to increase in-pit resources, test the potential of resource expansion below the pit shells that formed the basis of the Revised PEA (News Release dated May 30, 2017) and to further define the mineralogical and geological models of the deposit.

The first holes at GSS confirm the potential for a significant increase in the resource base and are shown in the table below:

Hole	From	То	Metres	Au g/t Uncut	Details
	12.2	18	5.8	0.82	Infill
GSDD014	49	54	5.0	0.82	Outside Resource
	175	189	14.0	0.83	Outside Resource
	67.9	87	19.1	3.98	Infill
	127	181.2	54.2	0.78	Infill
	184	232	48.0	1.96	Infill
	235	240	5.0	1.14	Infill
	244	251	7.0	0.66	Infill
GSDD015	262	283	21.0	2.35	Outside Resource
	287	301.5	14.5	1.52	Outside Resource
	305.6	312.2	6.6	1.06	Outside Resource
	316	323	7.0	1.07	Outside Resource
	328	334.1	6.1	0.91	Outside Resource
	353.3	359	5.7	1.07	Outside Resource
	7	14	7.0	2.04	Infill
GSDD016	67	163	96.0	2.68	Infill
	245.6	266	20.4	3.80	Outside Resource
	307	315	8	2.45	Outside Resource
	43.5	49.6	6.1	1.05	Infill
GSDD017	214	276	62.0	3.06	Infill
	297.2	340	42.8	1.98	Outside Resource
	367	371.5	4.5	1.49	Outside Resource
	53	60	7.0	1.77	Infill
	71	96.6	25.6	1.43	Infill
	199	208	9.0	0.98	Infill

GSDD018	261	267	6.0	1.50	Outside Resource
	276.2	303	26.8	1.15	Outside Resource
	305	317	12.0	0.65	Outside Resource
	325	341.2	16.2	1.75	Outside Resource
GSDD019	29.6	41	11.4	1.01	Infill
	45	97	52	2.02	Infill
GSDD022	166	181	15	1.34	Infill
	308.3	402	93.7	1.72	Outside Resource
	1.5	41	39.5	4.94	Infill
GSGT004	170	178	8	1.96	Infill
	181	194	13	10.19	Outside Resource

True widths are between 60% and 70% of intercept width

The bulk of the holes listed were drilled in the East Zone of the deposit (see Figure 1,2 and 3). Only two of the holes failed to intercept targeted mineralization. GSDD014 was intended to test the possible extension of a plunging shoot. A follow-up hole is planned to explore a steeper geological interpretation. GSDD019 intersected grade within the pit but then went into a barren andesite unit that separates the two sides of the East Zone.

Of particular significance, Hole GSGT004 intersected the Main Zone mineralisation close to surface and then continued through the PEA pit wall confirming and extending a high-grade zone (13m at 10.19 g/t Au) intersected in previous reverse circulation (RC) drilling (9m at 20.41 g/t (GSRC268) and 14m at 11.19 g/t Au (GSRC138). This zone has now been defined over 100 metres strike and is expected to be extended with further drilling as the programme progresses.

Commenting on these results, Rick Clark, CEO and Director of Orca, said, "The purpose of this current drill programme is to expand our resource and increase our understanding of the geology of this deposit and we are well on our way to accomplishing both these objectives. These first holes have intersected mineralisation over serious widths and clearly highlight the strength of this orebody. The early extension of a high-grade zone previously identified at GSS adds an even more exciting dimension to the project. We are busy at Block 14 and look forward to regularly updating our shareholders and the market on our progress."

To view Figures 1, 2 and 3 please click on the following link: http://media3.marketwire.com/docs/ORG1017.pdf

About Orca Gold Inc.

Orca Gold Inc. (TSX VENTURE:ORG) is a Canadian resource company focused on exploration opportunities in Africa, where it is currently focused on its 70%-owned Block 14 Gold Project in the Republic of the Sudan. Block 14 is situated on a 2,170 km2 concession. The Company is currently conducting a Definitive Feasibility Study on the project, which is scheduled for completion in late Q1/early Q2 2018.

The technical contents of this release have been approved by Hugh Stuart, BSc, MSc, a Qualified Person pursuant to NI 43-101. Mr. Stuart is President of the Company and a Chartered Geologist and Fellow of the Geological Society of London. Samples used for the results described herein are prepared and analyzed by fire assay using a 50 gram charge at the ALS Chemex facility at Rosia Montana in Romania in compliance with industry standards. Field duplicate samples are taken and blanks and standards are added to every batch submitted.

On behalf of the Board of Directors:

Richard P. Clark, CEO and Director

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