

Patricia Mining Corp.

Press Release

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Patricia Mining Corp. engages Dumas Mining Contracting Ltd. for underground exploration program at Island Gold Project

Patricia Mining Corp. (Patricia) is pleased to announce that Dumas Mining Contracting Ltd. (Dumas) has been contracted to dewater and conduct underground mining exploration development at the Company's Island Gold Project, located 125 km southeast of Hemlo, Ontario.

Dumas will mobilize in early March 2004 and, subject to obtaining advanced exploration approvals from the Ontario Ministry of Northern Development and Mines, will commence dewatering of the Lochalsh ramp in mid-April 2004. Once the ramp has been rehabilitated, Dumas will carry out a program consisting of approximately 350 meters of drifting on two levels from the Lochalsh Ramp. The underground program has the objective of defining a mineable resource at the Island/Lochalsh zone that will enable a decision to be made on recommencing gold production at the existing mill on the property.

Patricia is currently conducting a 3,600 meter surface drill program at the Island Gold Project. Several deep holes are being drilled to explore the North Shear Zone and deep extensions of the Island/Lochalsh zone at greater than 500 m below surface. The bulk of the current resource on the property is within 250 meters of surface. The surface drilling is part of a larger drill program that will include underground drilling.

On completion of the surface and underground exploration program, Richmond Mines Inc. (Richmont) may exercise its option to earn a 55% undivided joint venture interest in the Island Gold Project by placing the project into production or by expending \$10 million on the project. After vesting, and if further financing is required, Richmont has agreed to arrange additional financing to the joint venture up to a maximum of \$10 million.

Patricia's Island Gold Project has a modern fully permitted, 650 tonne per day mill and related mining infrastructure on the site, with access ramps to several zones of mineralization. A resource calculation by Patricia has outlined a significant high-grade Inferred Resource of 2,034,000 tonnes at 8.3 g/t (0.24 opt) at a 5 g/t cut-off for a total of 544,000 ounces of gold. This is part of the larger bulk tonnage Inferred Resource of 20.6 million tonnes, grading 2.35 g/t (0.07 oz/ton) gold for a total of 1,559,000 ounces of gold contained at a cut-off grade of 0.75g/t gold. (See press release dated November 12, 2002, for disclosure required under NI43-101.) Patricia currently has 21,429,817 shares outstanding and has over \$3.0 million in cash.

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