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# ASANTE GOLD REPORTS HIGHER MINERAL RESOURCES IN AMENDED CHIRANO GOLD MINE TECHNICAL REPORT

Vancouver, British Columbia – May 15, 2023 – Asante Gold Corporation (CSE:ASE | GSE:ASG | FRANKFURT:1A9 | U.S.OTC:ASGOF) ("Asante" or the "Company") is pleased to announce the filing of an amended technical report entitled "Amended NI 43-101 Technical Report, Chirano Gold Mine, Ghana, West Africa" (the "Amended Technical Report") in accordance with National Instrument 43-101 – *Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects* ("NI 43-101") in connection with the Company's Chirano Gold Project ("Chirano", the "Project", or the "Mine"), located immediately south of the Company's Bibiani Gold Mine.

The original version of the Technical Report, dated September 30, 2022 (the "Original Technical Report") and prepared by dMb Management Services, BARA Consulting Pty Ltd, Snowden Optiro and GB Independent Consulting (Pty) Ltd., reported Mineral Resources as being "inclusive" of Mineral Reserves. The correction requires that Mineral Reserves were in fact "exclusive" and therefore all Measured and Indicated Resources and Mineral Reserve totals may be added to determine the total Chirano Mineral Resources. There are no changes to any material conclusions or recommendations outlined in the Original Technical Report. A copy of the Amended Technical Report is available on SEDAR (<u>www.sedar.com</u>) under Asante's issuer profile.

The Amended Technical Report therefore results in an increase in total Measured and Indicated Mineral Resources from 1.13 Moz to 2.12 Moz broken down as follows:

- Underground Measured and Indicated Mineral Resources of 11.05Mt at 1.88 g/t Au (0.669 Moz) exclusive of any Mineral Reserves (Table 1.2)
- Open pit Measured and Indicated Mineral Resources of 17.05Mt at 0.85 g/t Au (0.465 Moz) exclusive of any Mineral Reserves (Table 1.3)
- Mine Mineral Reserves of 15.760 Mt at 1.95g/t Au (0.990 Moz) (Table 1.4)

Chirano consists of a multi-deposit complex with 11 mineralized deposits currently making up the Mineral Resources contained in the Technical Report. The Chirano gold deposits have been historically mined from both open pit and underground operations since 2005. The Mineral Resources for the Chirano Underground and Chirano Open Pits are constrained by resource optimized shapes and shells based on a US\$1,600 gold price.

Underground Operation	Classification	Mt	Au Grade (g/t)	Moz
Obra	Measured	0.118	1.82	0.007
	Indicated	3.357	1.65	0.179
	Measured and Indicated	3.476	1.66	0.186
	Inferred	1.788	1.87	0.108
Akwaaba	Measured	1.478	2.06	0.098
	Indicated	0.818	1.86	0.049
	Measured and Indicated	2.296	1.99	0.147
	Inferred	0.223	2.48	0.018
	Measured	1.016	1.83	0.060
Tana	Indicated	1.056	1.71	0.058
Tano	Measured and Indicated	2.072	1.77	0.118
	Inferred	0.646	2.24	0.047
	Measured	0.086	2.06	0.006
Paboase	Indicated	0.078	2.19	0.006
	Measured and Indicated	0.164	2.13	0.011
	Inferred	0.063	1.89	0.004
	Measured	1.827	2.05	0.120
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Akoti	Measured and Indicated	1.788 1.87   1.478 2.06   0.818 1.86 <b>2.296 1.99</b> 0.223 2.48   1.016 1.83   1.056 1.71 <b>2.072 1.77</b> 0.646 2.24   0.086 2.06   0.078 2.19 <b>0.164 2.13</b> 0.063 1.89   1.827 2.05	0.139	
	Inferred	0.514	3.357 1.65   3.476 1.66   1.788 1.87   1.478 2.06   0.818 1.86   2.296 1.99   0.223 2.48   1.016 1.83   1.056 1.71   2.072 1.77   0.646 2.24   0.086 2.06   0.078 2.19   0.164 2.13   0.063 1.89   1.827 2.05   0.294 2.01   2.121 2.04   0.514 1.89   0.226 2.36   0.695 2.30   0.922 2.32   1.558 2.71   4.751 2.01   6.299 1.79   11.050 1.88	0.031
Suraw	Measured	0.226	2.36	0.017
	Indicated	0.695	2.30	0.052
	Measured and Indicated	0.922	2.32	0.069
	Inferred	1.558	2.71	0.136
Total Measured Resources		4.751	2.01	0.308
Total Indicated resources		6.299	1.79	0.362
Total Measured a	and Indicated Resources	11.050	1.88	0.669
Total Inferred Re	esources	4.791	2.22	0.343

Table 1-1: Total Exclusive Chirano Underground Mineral Resource as at 31 December 2021

Notes:

1. Tonnes and ounces have been rounded and this may have resulted in minor discrepancies.

2. Mineral Resources are not Mineral Reserves.

3. The Mineral Resources are reported exclusive of any Mineral Reserves that may be derived from them.

4. 1 troy ounce = 31.1034768g.

5. Akwaaba, Tano, Obra and Suraw were evaluated at resource cut-off grade of 1.14 g/t and Akoti and Paboase undergrounds were evaluated at 1.21 g/t and 1.34 g/t cut-off respectively.

6. A density of 2.75 t/m<sup>3</sup>, 2.30 t/m<sup>3</sup> and 1.56 t/m<sup>3</sup> on fresh, transition and oxidised sediments have been applied respectively.

7. *Geological losses and depletions have been applied.* 

8. Inferred Mineral Resources have a lower level of confidence than that applying to Indicated Mineral Resources and have not been converted to Mineral Reserves. It is reasonably expected that the majority of Inferred Mineral Resources could be upgraded to Indicated Mineral Resources with continued exploration.

9. Akwaaba, Tano, Obra and Suraw were evaluated at resource cut-off grade of 1.14g/t.

10. Akoti and Paboase undergrounds were evaluated at 1.21g/t and 1.34g/t cut-off.

Open Pit Operation	Classification	Mt	Au Grade (g/t)	Moz
Akoti South	Measured	0.16	0.75	0.004
	Indicated	3.02	0.89	0.087
	Measured and Indicated	3.17	0.88	0.090
	Inferred	0.01	1.32	0.000
	Measured	3.46	0.81	0.090
Obra	Indicated	3.24	0.77	0.080
Obra	Measured and Indicated	6.70	0.79	0.170
	Inferred	0.90	0.67	0.019
	Measured	0.42	0.97	0.013
Mamnao	Indicated	4.41	0.90	0.127
	Measured and Indicated	4.83	0.90	0.140
	Inferred	0.32	0.86	0.009
	Measured	0.00	0.00	0.000
Kolua	Indicated	0.16	1.60	0.008
	Measured and Indicated	0.16	1.60	0.008
	Inferred	0.00	1.26	0.000
	Measured	0.42	0.59	0.008
Sariehu	Indicated	1.77	0.85	0.048
Sarienu	Measured and Indicated	2.18	0.80	0.056
	Inferred	0.03	0.89	0.001
Total Measured Resources Total Indicated Resources		4.45	0.80	0.115
		12.60	0.86	0.350
Total Measured an	nd Indicated Resources	17.05	0.85	0.465
<b>Total Inferred Res</b>	ources	1.26	0.73	0.029

Table 1-2: Total Exclusive Chirano Open Pit Mineral Resource as at 31 December 2021

Notes:

1. Tonnes and ounces have been rounded and this may have resulted in minor discrepancies.

2. Mineral Resources are not Mineral Reserves.

3. The Mineral Resources are reported exclusive of any Mineral Reserves that may be derived from them.

4. 1 troy ounce = 31.1034768g.

5. Akoti South, Obra, Mamnao, Kolua, Sariehu open pits were evaluated at cut-off 0.24, 0.20, 0.31, 0.45 and 0.22 cut-offs respectively.

6. A density of 2.75 t/m<sup>3</sup>, 2.30 t/m<sup>3</sup> and 1.56 t/m<sup>3</sup> on fresh, transition and oxidised sediments have been applied respectively.

7. Geological losses and depletions have been applied.

8. Inferred Mineral Resources have a lower level of confidence than that applying to Indicated Mineral Resources and have not been converted to Mineral Reserves. It is reasonably expected that the majority of Inferred Mineral Resources could be upgraded to Indicated Mineral Resources with continued exploration.

## Table 1-3: Chirano Gold Mine Mineral Reserves

Reserve Classification	Tonnes (000's)	Au Grade (g/t)	Au Ounces (000's)
Proven	4,777.20	1.63	250.5
Stockpile(s)	822.7	0.79	20.9
Subtotal	5,600.00	1.51	271.4
Probable	10,159.90	2.2	718.3
Total	15,759.80	1.95	989.7

All technical information contained in this news release in respect of Chirano is qualified in its entirety by the complete text of the Amended Technical Report, including all qualifications, assumptions, exclusions and risks provided therein. The Amended Technical Report is intended to be read as a whole and sections should not be read or relied upon out of context.

#### **Qualified Person Statement**

The scientific and technical information contained in this news release in respect of Chirano has been reviewed and approved by the Qualified Persons (as defined under NI 43-101) and authors of the Amended Technical Report, David Michael Begg of dMb Management Services Pty Ltd (South Africa), Dominic Claridge of BARA Consulting (UK), Glen Bezuidenhout of GB Independent Consulting (Pty) Ltd (South Africa) and Senzeni Mandava of Snowden Optiro (South Africa). None of the Qualified Persons hold any interest in Asante, its associated parties, or in any of the mineral properties which are the subject of this news release.

Other scientific and technical information contained in this news release has been reviewed and approved by David Anthony, P.Eng. (Alberta and Ontario) Mining and Metallurgy, President and CEO of Asante, who is a "qualified person" under NI 43-101.

#### **About Asante Gold Corporation**

Asante is a gold exploration, development and operating company with a high-quality portfolio of projects and mines in Ghana. Asante is currently operating the Bibiani and Chirano Gold Mines with combined forecast production of approximately 400,000 ounces of gold for 2023. The Company continues with detailed technical studies at its Kubi Gold Project for early production. All mines and exploration projects are located on the prolific Bibiani and Ashanti Gold Belts. Asante has an experienced and skilled team of mine finders, builders and operators, with extensive experience in Ghana. The Company is listed on the Canadian Securities Exchange, the Ghana Stock Exchange and the Frankfurt Stock Exchange. Asante is also exploring its Keyhole, Fahiakoba and Betenase projects for new discoveries, all adjoining or along strike of major gold mines near the centre of Ghana's Golden Triangle. Additional information is available on the Company's website at <u>www.asantegold.com</u>.

#### About the Chirano Gold Mine

Chirano is an operating open-pit and underground mine located in the Western Region of Ghana, immediately south of the Company's Bibiani Gold Mine. Chirano was first explored and developed in 1996 and began production in October 2005. The mine comprises the Akwaaba, Suraw, Akoti South, Akoti North, Akoti Extended, Paboase, Tano, Obra South, Obra, Sariehu and Mamnao open pits and the Akwaaba

and Paboase underground mines. Gold Equivalent Production in 2021 was 154,668 oz on a 100% basis (source Kinross Gold Corporation).

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#### **Cautionary Statement on Forward-Looking Statements**

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