

79North to Commence Trading on the CSE Today Under Ticker Symbol TWLV; Grants Options

June 16, 2020 - Toronto, Ontario – 12 Exploration Inc. (CSE: TWLV), doing business as 79North, (the “Corporation” or “79North”) is pleased to announce that common shares of the Corporation (the “Common Shares”) will commence trading today on the Canadian Securities Exchange (the “CSE”) under the symbol “TWLV”.

The Corporation is led by a team with extensive mineral exploration expertise and a track record of discoveries and exits in South America and globally. The Corporation currently holds an indirect interest in mineral concessions in northern Suriname (formerly Dutch Guiana), and aims to become the premier junior exploration company in this underexplored district of the prolific Guiana Shield. The Corporation’s strategically located land package is located in close proximity to both the Merian Gold Mine of Newmont Corporation and the Rosebel Gold Mine of Iamgold Corporation which have a substantial gold production history. The Corporation’s growing portfolio of high-quality targets which have not undergone modern exploration or drilling have a long history of artisanal mining and are strategically located within close proximity to modern gold mines operated by major mining companies.

“Our public listing is a significant milestone for us as we continue to grow our portfolio of high-quality gold exploration projects in Suriname. The Nassau Gold Project has had more than a century of artisanal gold mining and is in the same sequence of gold-bearing rocks that contain the Merian Gold Mine of Newmont Corporation and the Rosebel Gold Mine of Iamgold Corporation. In spite of this, there has not been sustained modern gold exploration or diamond drilling at the Nassau Gold Project” stated Jon North, President, CEO and Chairman of 79North.

Subscription Receipt Financing

As previously announced, the Corporation completed non-brokered private placements, resulting in the sale of an aggregate of 30,481,655 subscription receipts for aggregate gross proceeds of approximately C\$4,572,250 million (the “Offering”). The proceeds from the Offering were placed into escrow on completion of the Offering and have now been released from escrow to the Corporation less certain transaction fees and expenses. The net proceeds from the Offering will be used to fund exploration and development of 79North’s Nassau gold project, the acquisition of additional gold projects, and for general corporate purposes.

Other Corporate Matters

The Corporation announces the grant of an aggregate of 3,500,000 incentive stock options exercisable at CAD\$0.15 until June 16, 2025 pursuant to the Corporation’s stock option plan. The Corporation also announces that it has entered into an agreement with General Research GmbH to provide investor relations services for a monthly fee of €6,250 for a term of one year, subject to extension at the Corporation’s option.

Early Warning

In connection with the previously announced acquisition by the Corporation of 79North Ltd. on June 12, 2020 (the “Transaction”), Jon North, who is the Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation, acquired ownership and control of 8,166,666 Common Shares. Mr. North also has

ownership of 166,666 share purchase warrants and 1,000,000 options (issued on June 16, 2020), each providing Mr. North with a right to acquire additional Common Shares subject to such options vesting over a two year period (one third of the options vest on the grant date, one third of the options vest on the first anniversary of the grant date, and the remaining one third of the options granted vest on the second anniversary of the grant date). Assuming no exercise of convertible securities, Mr. North holds approximately 9.51% of the outstanding Common Shares on an undiluted basis and approximately 10.72% of the outstanding Common Shares on a partially-diluted basis. Prior to the Transaction, Mr. North did not own, control or direct any securities of the Corporation.

The Common Shares were acquired in connection with the Transaction in exchange for Mr. North's existing common shares of 79North Ltd. The Common Shares and the Warrants held by Mr. North are subject to an escrow agreement pursuant to which Mr. North will only be able to transact in such Common Shares and Warrants in accordance with a release schedule over a three-year period following the date of the Transaction. Mr. North may acquire additional securities either on the open market or through private acquisitions and Mr. North may sell the securities either on the open market or through private dispositions in the future depending on market conditions, reformulation of plans and/or other relevant factors, in each case in accordance with applicable securities laws.

The head office of the Corporation is located at 82 Richmond Street East Toronto, Ontario M5C 1P1.

This portion of this new release is issued pursuant to National Instrument 62-103 – The Early Warning System and Related Take-Over Bid and Insider Reporting Issues, which also requires an early warning report to be filed on SEDAR (www.sedar.com) containing additional information with respect to the foregoing matters. A copy of the related early warning report may be obtained on the Corporation's SEDAR profile. Mr. North can be contacted at 82 Richmond Street East Toronto, Ontario M5C 1P1, tel: 416 786-6348.

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Forward Looking Statements

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