

## 79North policy on COVID-19

**July 2, 2020 - Toronto, Ontario** - 12 Exploration Inc. (CSE: TWLV), doing business as 79North, (the “**Corporation**” or “**79North**”) is pleased to announce its COVID-19 policy for operations in Suriname which are expected to commence very soon.

The coronavirus disease ("COVID-19") has impacted the world in unprecedented ways. In these extraordinary times, 79North is taking critical steps to safeguard the health and safety of its workers while continuing to operate the business. 79North operates through its wholly owned subsidiary in Suriname “Sumin Delfstoffen N.V.”

The corona virus was confirmed to have reached Suriname on March 13, 2020. On March 14, 2020, the Government of Suriname made the decision to close all its land and sea borders. To date, Suriname has reported less than 15 deaths due to COVID-19. As result of this decision, 79North temporarily suspended exploration activities in Suriname. However, it is our understanding, that gold exploration and mining are considered “essential services” in Suriname, and it may be possible for the Company to obtain permission to commence exploration by strictly observing special rules on social distancing, travel, and limiting the number of people gathering to do work to 10 or less, among other things required by government now or in the future.

We expect to begin exploration activities soon. However, we will continue to closely monitor the COVID-19 situation.

To protect our workers and follow the country guidelines we will take the following measures:

1. All employees, laborers, and contractors will be supplied with sufficient face masks and any other personal protective equipment that may be required and will be instructed to have these on as soon as they are within 2 meters of one another.
2. Travelling to work sites will be with a maximum of 4 people in a pickup truck cabin at any one time.
3. Separate camps will be set up which can hold a maximum of 10 employees, laborers, or contractors at any given time.
4. Regular temperature checks will be made to detect potential cases of COVID-19.

“Our first priority is the health and safety of our workers,” said Jon North, 79North’s President and CEO. “While we have no confirmed COVID-19 cases amongst our workforce in Suriname, we are taking steps to protect our people and our business during this global pandemic by adhering to the policies determined and promulgated by the Government of Suriname. We will continue to monitor the situation and we will resume our exploration activities at our properties in Suriname as soon as permitted, possible, and appropriate”.

12 Exploration 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 Company’s strategically located land package is near both the Merian Gold Mine of Newmont Corporation and the Rosebel Gold Mine of Iamgold Corporation both of 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 near modern gold mines operated by major mining companies.

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