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AURUM MINING plc
(“Aurum” or “the Company”)

Appointment of Non-Executive Director

Aurum Mining plc (AIM: AUR), the company formed last year to acquire gold and other mineral extraction projects in the Former Soviet Union (FSU), is pleased to announce the appointment as a Non-Executive Director of Colin Joseph Knight, a highly experienced mining professional.

Dr Knight’s formidable international mining experience has been gained through almost five decades in the industry and spans academia, executive industry roles and consultancy. His experience of project evaluation in the FSU will be of particular value to the Company.

Dr Knight’s early career, which followed UK military service, was divided between the industrial and academic worlds. He worked in various mines in Canada before studying economic geology at the University of Toronto, where he gained a PhD in 1967. Following a post-doctoral research fellowship at the University of Oxford, he became Assistant Professor of Geology at Carleton University, Ottawa.

He returned to industry by taking a position at Metallgesellschaft AG, becoming Exploration Manager for Metall Canada, before joining the stockbroker McEwen Securities as a mining analyst and mineral industry adviser. In 1974 he moved to London to join Rio Tinto plc, becoming Commercial Manager, Rio Tinto Finance & Exploration. Since 1983, Dr Knight has worked in consultancy. His assignments have included mineral sector reviews for the World Bank and technical and commercial due diligence for mining projects worldwide, including the FSU.

Dr Knight, age 71, is non-executive Chairman of the privately held company London Mining plc.

Commenting on Dr Knight’s appointment, Sean Finlay, Aurum’s Chairman, said: “I am delighted to welcome Colin Knight to Aurum’s Board as a Non-Executive Director. Colin’s wealth of experience, built over many years in the industry, will be of great value to the Company. His experience of project evaluation in the FSU is of particular relevance as Aurum continues to execute its strategy, stated at the time of flotation, of acquisitive growth.”

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About Aurum Mining

Aurum Mining joined the AIM market of the London Stock Exchange in May 2004 with the strategy of seeking, evaluating and acquiring gold and other mineral extraction projects in the Former Soviet Union (FSU). In January 2005 the Company completed its first acquisition, giving the Company an exploration licence over a gold and copper project in the Kyrgyz Republic. In its State Register, the State Commission of Resources of the Kyrgyz Republic has included 21.7 million tonnes of C1 and C2 reserves from the project, amounting to gold and gold equivalent of more than 1.5 million ozs.