

MACMILLAN GOLD CORP.

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MacMillan Gold options 50% of the El Socorro Silver and Gold Property to Au Martinique

TORONTO, CANADA July 07, 2004 – MacMillan Gold Corp. (TSX Venture “MMG”) is pleased to announce that it has signed a Letter of Intent with Au Martinique Inc. The agreement sets out the terms under which Martinique may earn a 50% Joint Venture interest in the 100% MacMillan owned El Socorro Property in the state of Jalisco in Mexico. The El Socorro is a 200 hectare silver and gold prospect obtained by MacMillan through staking. It is subject to a US\$10,000 finders fee payable to local prospectors and a 2% royalty, which may be purchased by MacMillan at a preset price of US\$200,000.

Martinique has been granted operator status. MacMillan has been selected as manager of exploration programs until completion of the 50% earn in. MacMillan is entitled to a 10% management fee on the exploration work program expenditures. Martinique is required to issue 200,000 common shares to MacMillan, subject to regulatory approval, as an initial option payment. A cash option payment of US\$20,000 is required if regulatory approval for share issue is not obtained for any reason. Martinique is also required to fund US\$100,000 of exploration within 24 months. Martinique may terminate the option at their discretion if they complete the initial option payment in cash or shares and return the property in good standing with a minimum of 6 months of assessment work credits and taxes paid. Expenditures incurred on or after June 1, 2004 are recoverable by MacMillan under the option agreement.

The initial surface work program as proposed by David Bending P.Geo., Vice President of Exploration and a Qualified Person, will be managed in the field by William (Bill) Hamilton P.Geo., our Manager of Exploration in Mexico and also a Qualified Person. The program was initiated in June and will continue through to end of July. The Company expects surface sampling results in August.

MacMillan feels that our property acquisitions are being recognized by peers within the industry as being of high technical merit worthy of the spending of their hard dollars to earn a 50% interest. The shares of Martinique will provide MacMillan exposure to additional upside based upon good results and can also provide future exploration funding without additional MacMillan dilution. MacMillan expects to pursue additional joint ventures on selected properties in our portfolio as a means to advance the stage of exploration potential of these properties without increasing the share dilution associated with a 100% internally funded program. MacMillan is proud to announce Au Martinique as a partner in this project due to both parties common philosophy that long term shareholder value is created by sound technical exploration work performed on properties of good geological merit.

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