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## SARAMA RESOURCES ANNOUNCES FILING OF NI 43-101 TECHNICAL REPORT FOR MINERAL RESOURCE UPDATE AT THE SOUTH HOUNDÉ PROJECT, BURKINA FASO

VANCOUVER, CANADA. Sarama Resources Ltd (“Sarama” or the “Company”) (TSX-V:SWA) has filed on SEDAR a National Instrument 43-101 technical report in support of the Company’s February 8, 2016 news release which announced an increase in the Company’s resource estimate for the South Houndé Project (“Resource Estimate”) in south-west Burkina Faso.

Cube Consulting Pty Ltd, Orway Mineral Consultants Pty Ltd and Kappes, Cassidy & Associates Australia Pty Ltd prepared the technical report titled “NI 43-101 Independent Technical Report, South Houndé Project, Bougouriba and Ioba Provinces, Burkina Faso”, dated March 29, 2016. The technical report is available under the Company’s profile on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com). There are no material differences in the technical information contained in the technical report compared to the disclosure in the February 8, 2016 news release.

The new Resource Estimate is 43Mt @ 1.5g/t Au for 2.1Moz of contained gold (in the inferred mineral resource category), including 13.5Mt @ 1.2g/t Au of oxide material for 0.5Moz contained gold (in the inferred mineral resource category)(see Table 1). The Resource Estimate also includes 12.1 Mt @ 2.7 g/t Au<sup>7</sup> for 1.1 Moz of contained gold (in the inferred mineral resource category), reflecting higher grade shoots within the mineralised system.

**Table 1 - Inferred Mineral Resource<sup>1,2</sup>**

Depth Below Surface <sup>3,4</sup>	Material Type <sup>5</sup>	Reporting Cut-off Grade <sup>6</sup>	Tonnage Above Cut-off Grade	Average Grade Above Cut-off Grade	Contained Gold Above Cut-off Grade	Metal Contribution
		g/t Au	Mt	g/t Au	koz Au	
0-200m	Oxide	0.3	13.5	1.2	498	24%
	Transition	0.8	2.5	1.4	113	5%
	Fresh	0.8	25.0	1.5	1,237	59%
	Sub-total		41.0	1.4	1,849	88%
>200m	Fresh	2.2	2.0	3.9	250	12%
<b>Total Mineral Resource</b>			<b>43.0</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>2,099</b>	<b>100%</b>

1. Mineral resources are not mineral reserves and do not demonstrate economic viability.
2. All tonnage, grade and ounces have been rounded and minor discrepancies in additive totals may occur.
3. Depth below surface classification used as a guide to assess the modelled mineralisation for likelihood of reasonable prospects of eventual economic extraction and is not supported by a preliminary economic assessment or a feasibility study. The classification does not imply that mineral resources demonstrate economic viability.
4. Mineral resources reported above and below 140mRL, corresponding to a depth of approximately 200m below surface.
5. Weathering classification is based on visual assessment of drill core and cuttings by geologists and does not represent a definitive geo-metallurgical classification.
6. Cut-off grades were determined using a gold price of US\$1500/oz, metallurgical recoveries supported by testwork and based on oxide material being processed by heap leach flowsheet and fresh and transition material being processed by a flotation+BIOX®+CIL flowsheet.
7. Inferred mineral resources of 12.1 Mt @ 2.7 g/t Au for 1.1 Moz Au reported above 1.6 g/t Au.

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## **ABOUT SARAMA RESOURCES LTD**

Sarama Resources Ltd (TSX-V: SWA) is a West African focused gold explorer with substantial landholdings in Burkina Faso.

Sarama's flagship properties are situated within the Company's South Houndé Project area in south-west Burkina Faso. Located within the prolific Houndé greenstone belt, Sarama's exploration programs have built on significant early success to deliver an inferred mineral resource estimate of 2.1 Moz gold<sup>1,2</sup>. Acacia Mining plc is earning up to a 70% interest in the South Houndé Project by satisfying certain conditions, including funding earn-in expenditures of up to US\$14 million, over a 4-year earn-in period and may acquire an additional 5% interest, for an aggregate 75% interest in the Project, upon declaration of a minimum mineral reserve of 1.6 million ounces of gold. Sarama is focused on consolidating under-explored landholdings in Burkina Faso and other established mining jurisdictions.

Sarama holds a 35% participating interest in the Karankasso Project Joint Venture ("JV") which is situated adjacent to the Company's South Houndé Project in Burkina Faso and is a JV between Sarama and Savary Gold Corp. ("Savary"). Savary is the operator of the JV and in October 2015, declared a maiden inferred mineral resource estimate of 671,000 ounces of contained gold<sup>3,4</sup> at the Karankasso Project JV.

Incorporated in 2010, the Company's Board and management team have a proven track record in Africa and a strong history in the discovery and development of large-scale gold deposits. Sarama is well positioned to build on its current success with a sound exploration strategy across its property portfolio.

1. 43.0 Mt @ 1.5 g/t Au (reported above cut-off grades ranging 0.3-2.2 g/t Au, reflecting the mining methods and processing flowsheets assumed to assess the likelihood of the inferred mineral resources having reasonable prospects for eventual economic extraction)
2. The effective date of the Company's inferred mineral resource estimate is February 4, 2016.
3. 9.2 Mt @ 2.3 g/t Au (at a 0.5 g/t Au cut-off)
4. The effective date of the Karankasso Project JV mineral resource estimate is October 7, 2015. For further information regarding the mineral resource estimate please refer to the technical report titled "Technical Report and Resource Estimate on the Karankasso Project, Burkina Faso", dated October 7, 2015. The technical report is available under the Savary Gold Corp's profile on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com)

## **CAUTION REGARDING FORWARD LOOKING INFORMATION**

*Information in this news release that is not a statement of historical fact constitutes forward-looking information. Such forward-looking information includes, but is not limited to, statements regarding the Company's strategies and the earn-in by Acacia Mining plc into the South Houndé Project. Actual results, performance or achievements of the Company may vary from the results suggested by such forward-looking statements due to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors. Such factors include, among others, that the business of exploration for gold and other precious minerals involves a high degree of risk and is highly speculative in nature; mineral resources are not mineral reserves, they do not have demonstrated economic viability, and there is no certainty that they can be upgraded to mineral reserves through continued exploration; few properties that are explored are ultimately developed into producing mines; geological factors; the actual results of current and future exploration; changes in project parameters as plans continue to be evaluated, as well as those factors disclosed in the Company's publicly filed documents.*

*There can be no assurance that Acacia Mining plc will complete its earn-in as indicated, that any mineralisation that is discovered will be proven to be economic, or that future required regulatory licensing or approvals will be obtained. However, the Company believes that the assumptions and expectations reflected in the forward-looking information are reasonable. Assumptions have been made*

*regarding, among other things, the Company's ability to carry on its exploration activities, the sufficiency of funding, the timely receipt of required approvals, the price of gold and other precious metals, that the Company will not be affected by adverse political events, the ability of the Company to operate in a safe, efficient and effective manner and the ability of the Company to obtain further financing as and when required and on reasonable terms. Readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking information.*

*Sarama does not undertake to update any forward-looking information, except as required by applicable laws.*

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