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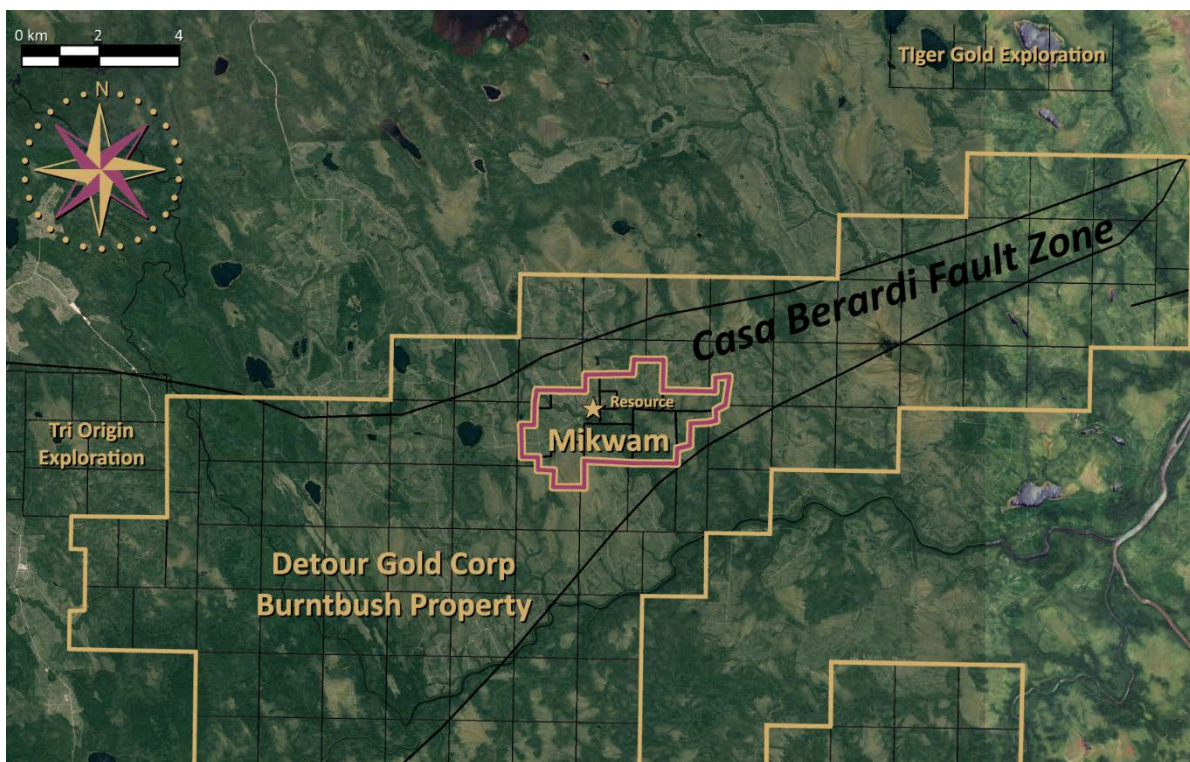
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Galena Acquires Mikwam Property Option and Graduates to Tier 2

Vancouver, BC - Galena International Resources Ltd. (TSXV: GTO) ("Galena" or "the Company") Further to its news releases of August 8, September 29, and November 29, 2016, Galena announces it has received regulatory approval and made the initial option payment and share issuance to acquire the Mikwam property ("Mikwam") pursuant to the terms of the option agreement with ALX Uranium Corp. ("ALX") set out in the November 29 news release.

The Mikwam property comprises nine contiguous claims (944 hectares) and is located on the Casa Berardi deformation zone, surrounded by the Detour Gold Burntbush property, in the Larder Lake mining division, approximately 160 kilometres northeast of Timmins, Ont.

Geologically, Mikwam lies in the Harricana-Turgeon belt within the northern portion of the Abitibi greenstone belt of the Superior Province of the Canadian Shield. The Harricana-Turgeon belt hosts polymetallic deposits and several well-known gold deposits such as the Eagle mine, the Casa-Berardi mine and the Detour mine. Earlier this year, Detour Gold Corporation staked its Burntbush project which completely surrounds the Mikwam property. In their September 15, 2016 news release, Detour noted that Galena's Mikwam property is the only portion of the Burntbush land which contains a gold resource.



Galena's Mikwam property located within Detour's Burntbush Property. Map prepared using Google Image (Imagery Date July 11, 2013) and the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines, Claim Data from October 21, 2016.

In connection with the acquisition of the Mikwam property option, Galena engaged Caracle Creek International Consulting Inc. to prepare a National Instrument 43-101 technical report on the Mikwam property. The report, entitled "Independent Technical Report – Mikwam Gold Property – Noseworthy Township, Ontario, Canada", dated December 8, 2016 (the "Report"), will be available under Galena's profile at www.sedar.com.

The Report provides an estimated inferred resource for Mikwam, presented below, of 1,810,000 tonnes at 2.34 grams per tonne, containing 136,000 ounces.

Resource Category	Quantity (Tonnes)¹	Grade Au (g/t)	Contained Au (Ounces)²
Inferred	1,810,000	2.34	136,000

Reported cut-off grade of 1.00 g/t Au. Mineral resources are not mineral reserves and do not have demonstrated economic viability.

¹Tonnes have been rounded to the nearest 10,000. Grade has been rounded to two (2) significant digits.

²Rounded to the nearest 1,000.

Mark N.J. Ashcroft, President & CEO of Galena, commented, "We are extremely happy to have added the Mikwam property to our Abitibi Gold belt portfolio of assets. With an inferred resource of 136,000 oz, it gives us an excellent starting point in order to further expand the resource. With this agreement, Galena is now the second largest land holder, with 12,537 hectares, in the Burntbush and Lower Detour camps, where we intend to conduct additional exploration in the upcoming exploration season."

In connection with closing of the acquisition of the option, Galena's shares have been transferred from the NEX board to Tier 2 of the TSX Venture Exchange. It is anticipated that Galena's shares will commence trading on Tier 2 under the symbol "GTO" effective at the market open on December 12, 2016.

Galena is a mineral exploration company, with a focus on gold within the prolific Abitibi Gold belt. The company will be considering additional acquisitions of advanced staged opportunities in proven mining districts. Galena has a sound management team with experience in all facets of the mineral exploration and mining industry.

Mr. Jeremy Niemi, P.Geo., the Company's Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101 for the Abitibi Greenstone belt projects, has reviewed and approved the technical information in this news release.

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