

12 EXPLORATION AND 79NORTH ANNOUNCE UPSIZED OFFERING AND EXECUTION OF DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT

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May 19, 2020 - Toronto, Ontario – 12 Exploration Inc. (CSE: TWLV) (“**12Ex**”) and 79North Ltd. (“**79North**”) announce that, as a result of high demand, they have increased the size of the previously announced non-brokered private placement (the “**Offering**”) of subscription receipts of each of 79North and 12Ex (together, the “**Subscription Receipts**”) to raise targeted aggregate gross proceeds of approximately C\$4,000,000. Other terms of the Offering remain unchanged from those disclosed in the April 30, 2020 news release.

79North is lead by a team with deep mineral exploration expertise and a track record of discoveries and exits in South America and globally. 79North 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. 79 North'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 within close proximity to modern gold mines operated by major mining companies.

12Ex and 79North also announce that they have signed a definitive agreement (the “**Definitive Agreement**”) to give effect to their previously announced business combination (the “**Transaction**”). The Transaction will proceed by way of a three cornered amalgamation (the “**Amalgamation**”) pursuant to which 79North shall amalgamate with a wholly-owned subsidiary of 12Ex, and 12Ex will acquire all of the issued and outstanding common shares of 79North (the “**79North Shares**”) in exchange for common shares of 12Ex (“**12Ex Shares**”) on the basis of one 12Ex Share for each 79North Share issued and outstanding. Following the completion of the Transaction, 79North will be a wholly-owned subsidiary of 12Ex. The Amalgamation also provides that all outstanding warrants and broker warrants to purchase 79North Shares shall remain outstanding and thereafter entitle the holders thereof to acquire equivalent securities of 12Ex in lieu of 79North on the same terms and conditions.

Completion of the Transaction remains subject to a number of conditions, including, among other things, the accuracy of the respective representations and warranties of each of 12Ex and 79North in the Definitive Agreement; completion of the Offering and the gross proceeds from the sale of the Subscription Receipts being released from escrow; and receipt of all requisite shareholder, third party and regulatory approvals relating to the Transaction, including, without limitation, approval of the Canadian Securities Exchange (the “**CSE**”).

Trading in the 12Ex Shares will remain halted until all the requirements of the CSE have been met and the resumption of trading is approved by the CSE.

Further Information

All information contained in this news release with respect to 12Ex and 79North was supplied by the parties respectively, for inclusion herein, without independent review by the other party, and each party and its directors and officers have relied on the other party for any information concerning the other party.

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