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## Banyan Gold Engages Market Maintenance Service Provider

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**BANYAN GOLD CORP.** ("**Banyan**" or the "**Company**"), a Yukon growth-focused gold exploration company, announces that, subject to regulatory approval, it has retained Independent Trading Group Inc. ("ITG") to provide market maintenance services to the Company in compliance with the policies and guidelines of the TSX Venture Exchange (the "TSXV") and other applicable legislation. ITG will trade shares of Banyan Gold on the TSXV for the purposes of maintaining a reasonable market and improving the liquidity of Banyan Gold's common shares.

The Company will pay \$3,500 per month for the services to be provided by ITG. The agreement may be terminated at any time by the Company or ITG following an initial three-month term. There are no performance factors contained in the agreement and ITG will not receive any shares or options as compensation for the services it will render. The Company and ITG are unrelated and unaffiliated entities but ITG and/or its clients may have an interest, directly or indirectly, in the securities of the Company.

### About Banyan Gold

Banyan is a growth stage gold exploration company whose flagship property, the Hyland Gold Project, is approximately 70km NE of Watson Lake, Yukon, along the southeast end of the Tintina Gold Belt.

The Hyland Main Zone Indicated Gold Resource Estimate, prepared in accordance with NI 43-101, at a 0.3 g/t gold equivalent cutoff, contains 8.6 million tonnes grading 0.85 g/t *AuEq* for **236,000 *AuEq* ounces** with an Inferred Mineral Resource of 10.8 million tonnes grading 0.83 g/t *AuEq* for **288,000 *AuEq* ounces**.

The 9,230 ha Aurex-McQuesten Property, in close proximity to Victoria Gold's Eagle Project and Alexco Resource's Keno Hill Silver District, is highly prospective for structurally controlled, intrusion related gold-silver mineralization in relation to quartz monzonite dykes of the Tombstone intrusive suite.

Banyan trades on the TSX-Venture Exchange under the symbol "BYN". For more information, please visit the corporate website at [www.BanyanGold.com](http://www.BanyanGold.com) or contact the Company.

### ON BEHALF OF BANYAN GOLD CORPORATION

*(signed) "Tara Christie"*

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