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AUSTRAL GOLD ANNOUNCES NO IMPACT TO OPERATIONS FOLLOWING RECENT EARTHQUAKE IN CHILE

Austral Gold profoundly regrets the severe effects of the earthquake that hit central and southern Chile on Saturday 27 February.

The epicentre was approximately 1,400 kilometres south of Austral Gold's facilities and there has been no damage or injuries sustained at the Guanaco Mine, located in Region 2 of Chile which is to the north.

There has been no disruption to operations at Guanaco and Austral Gold will announce the results of the 2009/10 drilling campaign in coming days.

By order of the Board

Catherine Lloyd
Company Secretary

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