

MEDIA RELEASE

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Austral Gold acquires 19.9% stake in Argentex Mining Corporation for C\$5 million

- **Argentex is developing the 23.6 million oz Ag equivalent in the indicated category at the Pinguino Silver-Gold Project in Argentina**
- **Austral Gold to be issued 17,347,866 Argentex shares at C28.8 cents per share**
- **Austral Gold will also be issued one warrant for every two shares purchased**
- **One Austral Gold Director to join Argentex Board**
- **Austral Gold and Argentex to actively consider a possible business combination**
- **Austral Gold assessing other precious metal opportunities in South America**

The Directors of Austral Gold Limited (ASX: AGD) are pleased confirm that the company has participated in a private placement of new shares by TSX-Venture Exchange listed exploration and development company Argentex Mining Corporation (TSX-V: ATX, OTCQB: AGXMF) ("Argentex").

Argentex has issued 17,347,866 new ordinary shares to Austral Gold at C\$0.2882 per share to raise a total of C\$5million. Austral Gold will also be issued 8,673,933 warrants exercisable at C\$0.40 cents within 60 months from the closing date of the placement. Upon completion, Austral Gold will hold 19.9% of Argentex and will be the company's largest shareholder. Austral Gold has the right to nominate one director to the Argentex Board and to nominate a member of the Argentex Technical Advisory Board.

A portion of the funds raised will be used to further develop the Argentex Pinguino Silver-Gold Project in the Santa Cruz Province of Argentina. The 10,000 hectare project includes 23.6 million silver-equivalent-ounces in the indicated category at grades of 102.8 g/t Ag and 0.59 g/t Au. It is aligned along the Pinguino system in which over 70 individual vein segments have been identified with a combined strike length of over 113 line-kilometres.

Argentex's Board has also agreed to grant Austral Gold conditional pre-emptive rights to participate in future capital raisings. Following completion of the transaction, both Austral Gold and Argentex will actively consider a possible business combination which may include a merger, exchange of shares, or another form of business combination which is in the interests of both companies' shareholders.

Austral Gold's Non-Executive Chairman Mr Eduardo Elsztein commented: "This is a significant transaction for Austral Gold, and it is in line with our strategy of creating a leading South American-focused resource company. For some time we have been assessing opportunities in South America and we believe Argentex represents an excellent investment.

"As well as the potential that the Pinguino Silver-Gold Project presents, we are very encouraged by the skills and capabilities of the Argentex team, and we have every confidence that they can continue to advance the project towards production. Importantly, Austral Gold's team is well regarded in Argentina, and the company's skills and reputation will be instrumental in delivering the maximum value from Argentex's Argentinean assets.

"We are committed to working with Argentex to assess all business combination scenarios with the goal being to create a leading South American focused resource company that creates value for all shareholders. The company is also assessing other opportunities which complement our existing asset base and contribute to our growth strategy."

The Argentex announcement to the TSX-V is attached to this media release. Further details about Argentex and the Pinguino Project are available on the Argentex web-site at www.argentexmining.com

By order of the Board

Catherine Lloyd

CFO & Company Secretary

Competent Person's Statement

Dr Robert Trzebski is a Director of Austral Gold Limited. He has a Degree in Geology, a PhD in Geophysics, a Masters in International Project Management and has over 20 years professional experience in mineral exploration, project management and research and development.

Dr Robert Trzebski is a member of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (AUSIMM) and qualifies as a Competent Person as defined in the 2004 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves.' Dr Robert Trzebski consents to the inclusion of the resources noted in this report.

Argentex Mining Announces \$5.0 Million Strategic Investment from Austral Gold Ltd.

Vancouver, BC, Canada – March 25, 2013 - Argentex Mining Corporation ("Argentex" or the "Company") (TSX-V: ATX, OTCQB: AGXMF) is pleased to announce that it has signed a Term Sheet with Austral Gold Limited ("Austral Gold") (ASX: AGD) pursuant to which Austral Gold has agreed that it or one of its affiliates (the "**Purchaser**") will purchase, in a private placement, 17,347,866 units (each, a "**Unit**") of the Company at a price of \$0.2882 per Unit for gross proceeds of \$5,000,000 (the "**Financing**"). Each Unit will consist of one Argentex common share (each a "**Unit Share**") and one-half of one share purchase warrant (each whole warrant a "**Unit Warrant**"), and each Unit Warrant will entitle the holder to purchase one additional Argentex common share at an exercise price of \$0.40 for a period of 60 months from closing. The Unit Share price represents a 92% premium, and the Unit Warrant exercise price represents a 167% premium, to the closing price of the Company's common shares on the TSX Venture Exchange on March 22, 2013.

The parties expect to close on or around April 12, 2013. At closing, it is anticipated that the purchaser will own approximately 19.9% of the Company's issued and outstanding common shares, on an undiluted basis, and it has agreed that it will not exercise any of the Unit Warrants if doing so would cause it to hold 20% or more of the Company's issued and outstanding common shares.

"We view this strategic investment by Austral Gold as very significant for Argentex and its development and exploration plans for its Argentinean projects. First, it enables us to advance the development activities at our flagship Pingüino project by providing the sufficient funding for this and as well as for working capital, and leaving us with a treasury in excess of \$6 million. Secondly, it adds local experience through a direct association with Austral Gold's Argentinean Chairman and major shareholder Mr. Eduardo Elsztain. We expect that this local knowledge, credibility and relationship network will help us advance the development of Pingüino. Finally, it provides us with access to Austral Gold's experienced management team. This team discovered and developed El Peñon in Chile (sold to Yamana Gold Inc.), helped discover and develop the Cerro Negro project in Argentina before it was sold to Goldcorp Inc., and have recommissioned and developed the Guanaco open pit mine in Chile into a well performing underground gold mine," said Michael Brown, President and CEO of Argentex.

"We are pleased to build a strong relationship with Argentex Mining, and gain access to the impressive and advanced Pingüino Silver-Gold Project, and a solid portfolio of other key exploration assets in Argentina. Our team at Austral Gold has been successful in bringing the Guanaco gold mine in Chile into production, and we look to leverage our

development skills and access to capital to advance Pingüino through the development cycle. Together with the respected exploration team at Argentex, we look to expand on the current resources discovered at Pingüino and build an exciting future in Argentina and Chile,” commented Mr. Eduardo Elsztain, Chairman of Austral Gold.

The combination brings together global leaders in epithermal exploration at Argentex with an experienced development and operational technical team at Austral Gold, along with the leadership of accomplished Argentinean businessman Mr. Eduardo Elsztain. Mr. Elsztain heads one of Argentina’s most respected group of companies which includes the country’s leader in real estate with investments in shopping centers, office buildings and hotels in its own country and in the USA, a major operation in agriculture in Argentina, Brazil and other South American countries, gold & silver mining businesses in Chile and Argentina, and banking and asset management businesses, among others.

The \$5.0 million investment will provide the Company with a strong treasury and assistance of a strategic partner to focus on advancing the Pingüino silver-gold project. Argentex will use approximately 60% of the proceeds to fund its ongoing exploration programs in the Patagonia region of Argentina, with the balance of approximately 40% to be used for working capital and general corporate purposes.

Argentex has agreed to grant to Austral Gold comprehensive anti-dilution rights for one year, and limited anti-dilution rights after the first anniversary of the closing. These are in force for as long as the purchaser maintains ownership of at least 10% of the Company’s issued and outstanding common shares.

At closing, the parties will enter into one or more ancillary agreements providing that, for so long as the purchaser owns at least 10% of the Company’s issued and outstanding common shares, it will have the anti-dilution rights referred to above, a right to nominate one director to the Argentex Board and its committees and a right to nominate one member of the Argentex Technical Advisory Board. In addition, the purchaser will agree, for a period of time yet to be determined, not to support any effort to gain control of Argentex by way of proxy solicitation or takeover bid.

Both parties have agreed that, following the Closing, they will actively consider and discuss a possible business combination between Austral Gold Ltd. and the Company by way of a plan of arrangement, merger, exchange of shares or any other form or type of business combination mutually acceptable to both parties.

All securities issued in the Financing will be subject to a statutory four-month hold period and the purchaser has further agreed not to transfer any of the Unit Shares or Unit Warrants to any transferee other than its affiliates during the year following closing. The financing is subject to a number of conditions, including, without limitation, receipt of all required approvals, including approval of the TSX Venture Exchange.

About Austral Gold

Austral Gold Limited is an Australian-based exploration company. Through its Chilean subsidiary, Guanaco Compania Minera, it owns the Guanaco gold and silver mine in Chile, which produced 28,000 oz Au in calendar 2012. Austral Gold has further exploration areas in Santa Cruz, Argentina. The Company listed on the Australian Stock Exchange in April 1997 to develop gold interests both in Australia and overseas. Austral Gold has the support of major international institutions and investors such as Mr. Eduardo Elsztein of Argentina.

About Argentex

Argentex Mining Corporation is an exploration company focused on advancing its Pingüino silver-gold project in Santa Cruz, Argentina. In total, Argentex owns 100% of the mineral rights to more than 35 properties located within approximately 307,981 acres (124,636 hectares) of highly prospective land located in the Santa Cruz and Rio Negro provinces. Shares of Argentex common stock trade under the symbol ATX on the TSX Venture Exchange and under the symbol AGXMF on the OTCQB. Neither TSX Venture Exchange nor its Regulation Services Provider (as that term is defined in the policies of the TSX Venture Exchange) accepts responsibility for the adequacy or accuracy of this release.

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