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## **Plato Gold Announces Increased Private Placement**

**Toronto, September 17, 2009** – Plato Gold Corp. (TSX-V: PGC) (“Plato” or the “Company”), an exploration company with a portfolio of properties in significant gold mining camps in Northern Ontario, Northern Québec, and Santa Cruz, Argentina is pleased to announce that it is increasing the size of its previously-announced non-brokered private placement (the “Offering”) up to \$750,000. Pursuant to the Offering, the Company will offer up to an aggregate of 16,666,667 flow-through units (the “Flow-Through Units”) or non-flow-through units (the “Units”), or combination thereof, at a price of \$0.045 per Flow-Through Unit and \$0.045 per Unit for gross proceeds of up to approximately \$750,000, which includes the previously-disclosed \$650,000 placement from Mineralfields Group.

Each Flow-Through Unit shall consist of one common share which qualifies as a “flow through share” for purposes of the Income Tax Act (Canada) and one common share purchase warrant. Each warrant partially comprising the Flow-Through Units shall be exercisable to acquire one common share of the Company for a period of two years from the date of issuance thereof at an exercise price of \$0.10 per share. The proceeds from the sale of the Flow-Through Units will be used by the Company for exploration work on its properties in the Val d’Or region in Québec and its properties in the Timmins area in Ontario.

Each Unit shall consist of one common share and one common share purchase warrant. Each common share purchase warrant shall be exercisable to acquire one common share of the Company for a period of two years from the date of issuance thereof at an exercise price of \$0.10 per share. The proceeds from the sale of the Units will be used by the Company for working capital and general corporate purposes.

Closing of the offering is subject to receipt of all required regulatory approvals, including approval of the TSX Venture Exchange.

Assuming completion of the maximum offering, there will be 88,388,449 common shares of the Company issued and outstanding (135,244,522 common shares on a fully diluted basis).

Mr. Anthony Cohen, President and CEO of Plato Gold, stated “I am very pleased to announce that because of our current financing, Plato Gold Corp. will be able to drill 3D modeling generated targets in both Val d’Or, Québec and Timmins, Ontario. It is our goal to increase the size of our NI 43-101 compliant resource in Val d’Or through our drill program. In the Timmins camp, our Silver Fox property is well-situated along the Destor Porcupine fault zone (DPFZ). We look forward to drill results from our property, as well as from Apollo Gold Corp.’s Grey Fox project, which is currently being drilled approximately 1.5 km on strike from Silver Fox”.

It is anticipated that certain insiders of the Company will subscribe for an aggregate of \$50,000 worth of Flow-Through Units or Units pursuant to the Offering. Each of such persons is considered a non-arm’s length party to the Company and the Offering is deemed to be a related party transaction pursuant to Multilateral Instrument 61-101 (“MI 61-101”).

The Issuer does not propose to obtain a valuation or seek approval of the majority of its minority shareholders in respect of the Offering but instead intends to rely on the following exemptions from such requirements available pursuant to MI 61-101: (A) the exemption from the formal valuation requirement contained in subsection 5.5(c) of MI 61-101 (*Distribution of Securities for Cash*); and (B) the exemption from the majority of minority shareholder approval requirement contained in subsection 5.7(b) of MI 61-101 (*Fair Market Value Not More Than \$2,500,000*).

The Offering is expected to close on or about September 26, 2009 (or such other date or dates as the Company may determine in its discretion), which date is reasonable and necessary in the circumstances to enable the Company to fund its proposed drill programs. Closing of the offering is subject to receipt of all required regulatory approvals, including approval of the TSX Venture Exchange. All of the securities issued pursuant to this offering will have a hold period expiring 4 months after the closing date.

#### **About MineralFields, Pathway and First Canadian Securities ®**

MineralFields Group (a division of Pathway Asset Management), based in Toronto and Vancouver, is a mining fund with significant assets under administration that offers its tax-advantaged super flow-through limited partnerships to investors throughout Canada as well as hard-dollar resource limited partnerships to investors throughout the world. Pathway Asset Management also specializes in the manufacturing and distribution of structured products and mutual funds (including the Pathway Multi Series Funds Inc. corporate-class mutual fund series). Information about MineralFields Group is available at [www.mineralfields.com](http://www.mineralfields.com). First Canadian Securities ® is active in leading resource financings (both flow-through and hard dollar PIPE financings) on competitive, effective and service-friendly terms, and offers investment banking, mergers and acquisitions, and mining industry consulting, services to resource companies. MineralFields and Pathway have financed several hundred mining and oil and gas exploration companies to date through First Canadian Securities ®.

#### **About Plato Gold Corp.**

Plato Gold Corp. is a Canadian junior gold exploration company listed on the TSX Venture Exchange with exploration projects in Northern Ontario, Northern Québec and the Lolita Property in the province of Santa Cruz, Argentina.

The Northern Ontario project includes 5 properties: Guibord, Harker, Harker-Garrison, Holloway and Marriott in the Harker/Holloway gold camp located east of Timmins, Ontario.

The Northern Québec project includes 7 properties: Nordeau Bateman, Vauquelin, Vauquelin Pershing, Vauquelin Horseshoe, Pershing Denain, Hop O' My Thumb and Once Upon a Time. All 7 properties are located near Val d'Or, Québec.

Plato is in the advanced exploration stage on the Nordeau West site with a NI 43-101 compliant gold resource reported on March 12, 2009. Highlights of the Nordeau West mineral resource update include:

indicated resources of 30,212 oz Au on average grade of 4.17 g/t and 225,342 tonnes; and inferred resources of 146,315 oz Au on average grade of 4.09 g/t and 1,112,321 tonnes.

In Argentina, the Lolita Property is comprised of 3 contiguous concessions and initial work has been started on this property. For additional company information, please visit: [www.platogold.com](http://www.platogold.com).

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