

# Montage Gold Corp. More Than Doubles Footprint at Koné Gold Project and Drills 8m at 3.15g/t Au 8km East of Koné

Vancouver, British Columbia — September 8, 2021 — Montage Gold Corp. ("Montage" or the "Company") (TSXV: MAU) (OTCPK: MAUTF) is pleased to report that the Company has received, by Presidential decree, a new exploration license sitting within trucking distance of the Koné deposit, and which now forms part of the Koné Gold Project ("KGP") in Côte d'Ivoire. The Company is also pleased to report high-grade drill results from the Petit Yao Central target and an update on its strategy for district exploration.

Hugh Stuart, Montage CEO commented, "With this new exploration license ("Faradougou") we are more than doubling our exploration footprint at the KGP and can explore nearly 700km<sup>2</sup> of prospective ground. Faradougou sits due north of the Koné exploration license, is split by the asphalt road that goes past the Koné deposit and has no recorded history of modern exploration.

"With infill drilling at the Koné deposit now complete and a 4.27Moz Indicated Mineral Resource (at 0.20g/t cut-off grade) delivered into the Feasibility Study program, the focus of the geological team is shifting to district exploration, targeting satellite deposits that can expand resources at the KGP. Given the potential for a large-scale, low-cost operation at the KGP, the value-add of satellite mineralization to the project is significant.

"Follow-up drilling at the Petit Yao Central target is encouraging and is showing potential as the first possible satellite pit sitting just 8km east of the Koné deposit. We look forward to the next round of exploration in the Petit Yao area, as well as initial testing within the Faradougou exploration license."

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- New Exploration License awarded by Government of Côte d'Ivoire.
  - o Faradougou covers 361.5km² of unexplored ground within trucking distance of the Koné deposit
  - o Initial soil sampling program planned to start immediately
- High-grade drill results from follow-up program at Petit Yao Central include:
  - MPYRC015: 6m grading 2.91g/t Au from 5m
     MPYRC018: 8m grading 3.15g/t Au from 52m
- Petit Yao Central showing potential as first satellite deposit target.
  - Shallow dipping oxide mineralization in the range of 2g/t Au
  - o 8km east of the Koné deposit within the Koné exploration license
  - o Soil sampling shows potential 20km greenstone trend for further testing
- Exploration planned for Q4 2021 across entire Montage portfolio.
  - o District exploration at KGP, including Faradougou and Petit Yao
  - Exploration at Korokaha and Bobosso projects
- Fully funded for current programs as well as completion of Feasibility Study.

#### **DETAILS**

#### **Faradougou Exploration License**

The Company was awarded by Presidential decree, the *permis de recherche (PR748)* referred to as the Faradougou Exploration License. The license includes an initial term of four years with up to two renewals, for a total potential term of nine years. There are no records of historic exploration on this license, and it carries no private third-party royalties.

The southern most border of Faradougou sits approximately 30km due north of the Koné deposit and the entire license sits within trucking distance to the planned processing facility at the KGP.

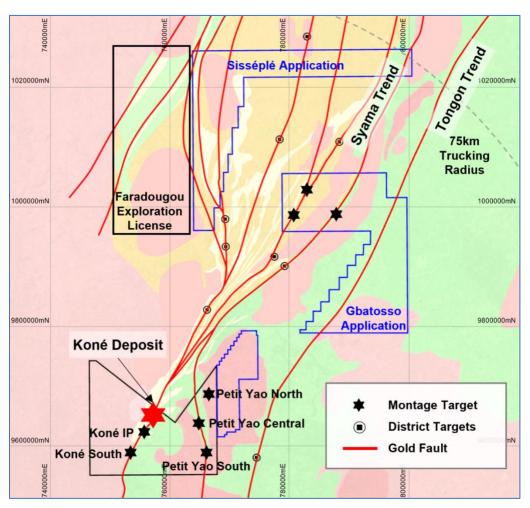


Figure 1: Exploration Licenses and Applications of the Koné Gold Project

Initial exploration plans for Faradougou include screening with soil geochemistry and detailed geological mapping with work expected to commence in the next two weeks. Like the area around Koné, there is

minimal habitation, and the proximity of the main road would make mining and transport of material from satellite pits straightforward.

#### **Petit Yao Exploration Results**

The Petit Yao area sits approximately 8km east of the Koné deposit (Figure 2) and was first identified in late 2019 by Montage geologists after recognizing prospective volcanic rocks in an area previously assumed to be un-prospective basement rocks, which hosted several large depressions indicative of historic artisanal mining.

Infill soil sampling and reassessment of earlier data suggests that Petit Yao sits within a wider north-south trending belt of prospective greenstone geology and further infill sampling and geological mapping is now in progress in the northern extent of this area.

There are now three targets within the broader Petit Yao area to be explored: Petit Yao Central, Petit Yao North, and Petit Yao South.

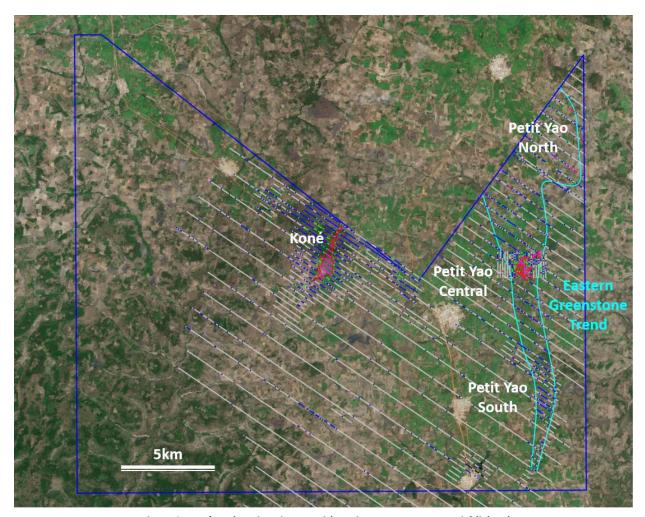


Figure 2: Koné Exploration License with Petit Yao Target Areas Highlighted

Petit Yao Central (Figure 3) was the first target tested with deeper RC drilling following 4,730m of shallow air core drilling completed in 2020. The 1,830m of RC drilling completed in 2021 has clarified the presence of a shallow dipping zone of mineralization generally grading over 2g/t Au (Figures 4 and 5), over a strike length of more than 300m, in places associated with a lithological contact between mafic volcanics and a diorite intrusive.

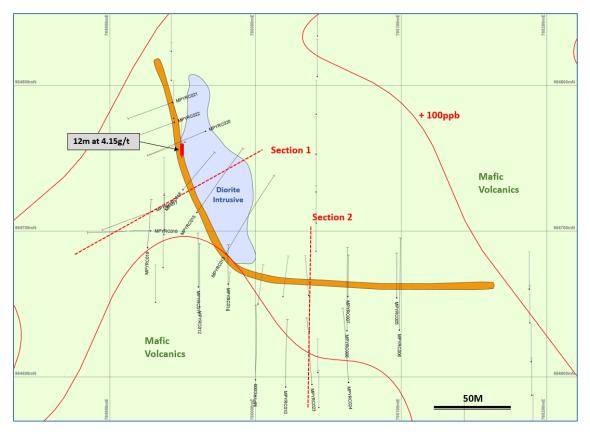


Figure 3: Petit Yao Central Drill Map and Interpretation (Plan View)

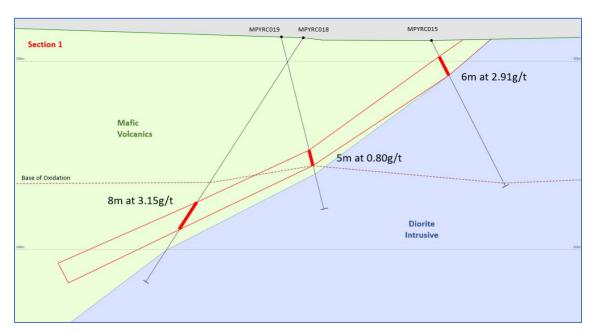


Figure 4: Petit Yao Central Section 1 (Looking North)

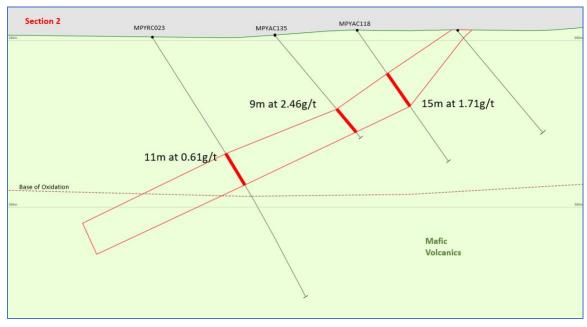


Figure 5: Petit Yao Central Section 2 (Looking West)

These results, whilst still very early, are encouraging and represent only the second anomaly identified at the KGP. With solid grade sitting in oxide (expected high gold recoveries) and a shallow dip, this target justifies further work and another phase of drilling is being planned.

The key is that with the large-scale, low-cost operation being envisaged at the KGP, exploration no longer needs to find a standalone resource. Discoveries of satellites as small as 50–100koz that can be trucked to Koné can have a significant impact on the economics of the project.

Complete drill data from Petit Yao Central is included as Appendix A of this release.

#### ABOUT MONTAGE GOLD CORP.

Montage is a Canadian-based precious metals exploration and development company focused on opportunities in Côte d'Ivoire. The Company's flagship property is the Koné Gold Project, located in northwest Côte d'Ivoire, which currently hosts an Indicated Mineral Resource of 225Mt grading 0.59g/t for 4.27Moz of gold, based on a 0.20g/t cut-off grade and an Inferred Mineral Resource of 22Mt grading 0.45g/t for 0.32Moz of gold, based on a 0.20g/t cut-off grade. Montage has a management team and Board with significant experience in discovering and developing gold deposits in Africa. The Company is rapidly progressing work programs at the Koné Gold Project towards completion of a Feasibility Study by the end of 2021.

#### **QUALIFIED PERSONS STATEMENT**

The technical contents of this release have been approved by Hugh Stuart, BSc, MSc, a Qualified Person pursuant to National Instrument 43-101. Mr. Stuart is the Chief Executive Officer of the Company, a Chartered Geologist and a Fellow of the Geological Society of London. Samples used for the results described herein have been prepared and analyzed by fire assay using a 50-gram charge at the Bureau Veritas facility in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire and at Intertek in Tarkwa Ghana. Field duplicate samples are taken and blanks and standards are added to every batch submitted.

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### APPENDIX 1: Drill Results from Petit Yao Central Completed to Date.

Note: Intercepts are 80-100% of true width

\* Denotes previously released drill results

Grid: WGS84 UTM Zone 29N

Hole	Collar Location			Orientation		5	Down-hole Intercept (m)			Grade	
	mE	mN	mRL	Azim	Dip	Depth	From	То	Metres	Au g/t	
MPYRC001	765,382	964,249	345	310	-55	45	No Significant Intercept				
MPYRC002	765,393	964,241	345	310	-54	60	No Significant Intercept				
MPYRC003	765,371	964,216	343	310	-55	72	6	20	14	0.80	
MPYRC004	765,385	964,227	345	310	-55	84	No Significant Intercept				
MPYRC005	765,097	964,654	351	360	-53	50	No Significant Intercept				
MPYRC006	765,099	964,632	351	0	-56	112	No Significant Intercept				
MPYRC007	765,063	964,655	352	0	-55	50	No Significant Intercept				
MPYRC008	765,063	964,632	351	0	-55	100	No Significant Intercept				
MPYRC009	765,000	964,598	355	0	-54	90	47	59	12	1.45	
MPYRC010	765,021	964,593	351	360	-56	84	No Significant Intercept				
MPYRC011	764,961	964,662	355	360	-56	66	No Significant Intercept				
MPYRC012	764,962	964,648	355	360	-56	78	No Significant Intercept				
MPYRC013	764,980	964,685	355	30	-55	114	No Significant Intercept				
MPYRC014	764,981	964,664	354	360	-57	50	22	38	16	0.91	
MPYRC015	764,960	964,713	356	35	-57	100	5	11	6	2.91	
MPYRC016	764,950	964,728	356	40	-56	60	No Significant Intercept				
MPYRC017	764,929	964,714	356	250	-55	64	51	60	9	1.74	
MPYRC018	764,928	964,700	356	270	-58	78	52	60	8	3.15	
MPYRC019	764,926	964,689	356	360	-57	60	35	40	5	0.80	
MPYRC020	764,966	964,769	358	248	-56	78	No Significant Intercept				
MPYRC021	764,943	964,788	357	250	-56	59	3	10	7	1.20	
MPYRC022	764,944	964,775	359	250	-57	66	7	14	7	1.34	
MPYRC023	765,039	964,595	351	355	-56	90	41	52	11	0.61	
MPYRC024	765,064	964,596	350	356	-56	96	No Significant Intercept				
MDCAC116*	765,002	964,650	352	332	-55	48	22	27	5	3.73	
MRCAC116*							31	34	3	0.74	
MRCAC117*	765,019	964,655	353	332	-55	49	20	28	8	2.06	
MRCAC118*	765,036	964,656	353	320	-55	48	15	30	15	1.71	
MRCAC119*	764,980	964,646	352	330	-55	46	31	34	3	1.09	
							39	46	7	0.87	
MRCAC125*	764,937	964,701	355	325	-50	39	29	35	6	1.81	
MRCAC128*	764,949	964,751	356	325	-50	40	0	12	12	4.15	
MRCAC130*	764,942	964,804	358	325	-50	40	0	7	7	0.95	

MRCAC132*	764,941	964,851	361	325	-50	40	0	7	7	1.04
MRCAC135*	765,037	964,631	352	325	-50	40	29	38	9	2.46
MRCAC147*	765,043	964,957	364	325	-50	40	8	16	8	1.23
MRCAC182*	765,443	964,139	348	325	-50	40	28	34	6	0.67
MRCAC185*	765,370	964,234	344	290	-50	40	0	19	19	0.78
MRCAC208*	765,143	964,557	346	325	-55	50	36	48	12	0.71
MRCAC212*	765,282	964,473	344	235	-55	41	12	18	6	3.68
MRCAC213*	765,260	964,472	344	235	-55	42	12	18	6	1.42
MRCAC220*	765,118	964,473	343	235	-55	38	0	6	6	0.84