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**ASANKO**GOLD



# FORWARD LOOKING INFORMATION



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# OPERATIONS – ASANKO GOLD MINE JOINT VENTURE



## Production<sup>(1)</sup>

- **Production guidance 225,000 - 245,000 oz**
  - 2019 YTD = 184,932 oz
  - On track for upper end of guidance

## Operating Costs

- **AISC<sup>(2)</sup> guidance \$1,040 - \$1,060/oz**
  - 2019 YTD = \$1,163/oz
  - AISC<sup>(2)</sup> expected to reduce in Q4

## Free Cash Flow

- **Free Cash Flow<sup>(2)</sup> building**
  - Q4 outlook strong with waste stripping at Nkran completed
  - Free cash flow at AGM JV = distribution to JV partners



## Solid Balance Sheet

- No debt

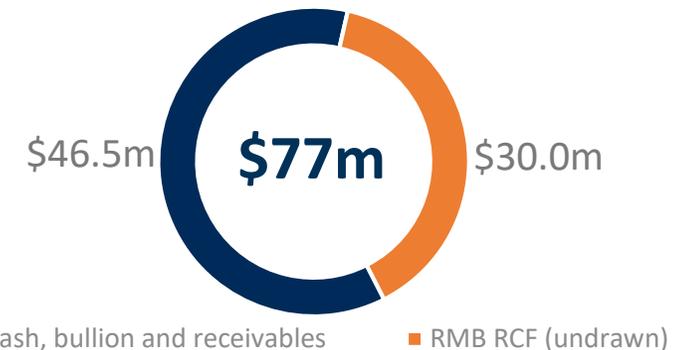
## Return of Capital Through Share Buy-Back

- Received approval from TSX to commence normal course issuer bid
- Appropriate investment option with attractive risk-adjusted return
- Buy back up to 5% of outstanding common shares

AGI Cash Accumulation (Actual and Forecasted)



JV Liquidity as of Q3 2019 <sup>(1)</sup>



(1) Asanko Gold Mine information presented on 100% basis, unless otherwise stated

(2) Refer to Appendix A for guidance information and non-GAAP financial measures

- Strong macro environment supporting gold price

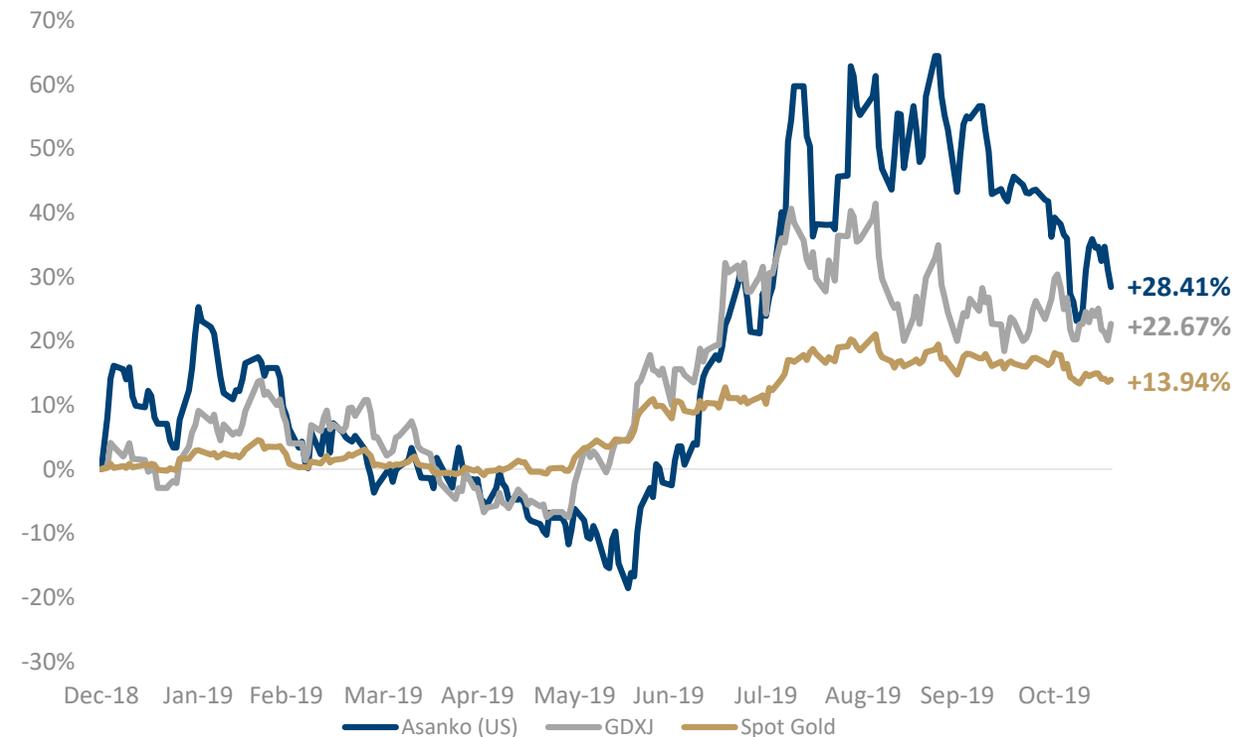
- Executive team focused on free cash flow generation

- Important upcoming catalysts:

- Exploration drilling results
- Updated life of mine plan targeting 8-10 years of mine life at 225,000 – 250,000 oz per year<sup>(1)</sup>

- Outperforming the commodity as we play “catch-up” off a low base

2019 YTD Returns<sup>(2)</sup>



(1) Production on a 100% basis for the Asanko Gold Mine

(2) Source: NASDAQ (December 31, 2018 – November 26, 2019)

# APPENDICES

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**Note 1:** Guidance projections used in this document (“Guidance”) are considered “forward-looking statements” and represent management’s good faith estimates or expectations of future production results as of the date hereof. Guidance is based upon certain assumptions, including, but not limited to, metal prices, oil prices, certain exchange rates and other assumptions. Such assumptions may prove to be incorrect and actual results may differ materially from those anticipated. Consequently, Guidance cannot be guaranteed. As such, investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance upon Guidance and forward-looking statements as there can be no assurance that the plans, assumptions or expectations upon which they are placed will occur.

**Note 2:** The Company has included certain non-GAAP performance measures throughout this presentation. These performance measures are employed by management to assess the Company’s operating and financial performance and to assist in business decision-making. The Company believes that, in addition to conventional measures prepared in accordance with GAAP, certain investors and other stakeholders use this information to evaluate the Company’s operating and financial performance; however, as explained elsewhere herein, these non-GAAP performance measures do not have any standardized meaning. Accordingly, these performance measures are intended to provide additional information and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for measures of performance prepared in accordance with GAAP.

**Note 3:** In June 2013, the World Gold Council (“WGC”), a non-regulatory association of many of the world’s leading gold mining companies established to promote the use of gold to industry, provided guidance for the calculation of “all-in sustaining costs per gold ounce” in an effort to encourage improved understanding and comparability of the total costs associated with mining an ounce of gold. The Company has adopted the reporting of “all-in sustaining costs per gold ounce”, which is a non-GAAP performance measure. The Company believes that the all-in sustaining costs per gold ounce measure provides additional insight into the costs of producing gold by capturing all of the expenditures required for the discovery, development and sustaining of gold production and allows the Company to assess its ability to support capital expenditures to sustain future production from the generation of operating cash flows. The Company believes that, in addition to conventional measures prepared in accordance with IFRS, some investors use this information to evaluate the JV’s performance and ability to generate cash flow, disposition of which is subject to the terms of the JVA. Accordingly, it is intended to provide additional information and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for measures of performance prepared in accordance with IFRS. Other companies may calculate all-in sustaining costs per ounce differently. The JV does not calculate this information for use by both JV partners, rather it is calculated by the Company solely for the Company’s own disclosure purposes. Refer to the Company’s Management Discussion and Analysis for the year ended December 31, 2018 and quarters ended March 31, 2019, June 30, 2019 and September 30, 2019 for reconciliations of AISC of the AGM to various operating expenses of the AGM on a 100% basis (the nearest GAAP measures), as presented in the notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements of the Company.

**Note 4:** Sustaining capital expenditures are defined as those expenditures which do not increase annual gold ounce production at a mine site and excludes all expenditures at the Company’s projects and certain expenditures at the Company’s operating sites which are deemed expansionary in nature.

**Note 5:** EBITDA provides an indication of the Company’s continuing capacity to generate income from operations before considering the Company’s financing decisions and costs of amortizing capital assets. Accordingly, EBITDA comprises net income (loss) excluding interest expense, interest income, amortization and depletion, and income taxes. Adjusted EBITDA adjusts EBITDA to exclude non-recurring items and non-cash items and includes the calculated Adjusted EBITDA of the JV. Other companies may calculate EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA differently. The JV does not calculate this information for use by both JV partners, rather it is calculated by the Company solely for the Company’s own disclosure purposes. Refer to the Company’s Management Discussion and Analysis for the year ended December 31, 2018 and quarters ended March 31, 2019, June 30, 2019 and September 30, 2019 for reconciliations of EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA attributable to the Company based on its economic interest in the JV to net income (loss) (the nearest GAAP measure) of the Company and the JV.

**Note 6:** Free cash flow is a non-GAAP performance measure which the Company believes, in addition to conventional measures prepared in accordance with GAAP, the Company and certain investors use to evaluate the Company’s ability to generate cashflows. Accordingly, it is intended to provide additional information and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for measures of performance prepared in accordance with GAAP. Free Cash Flow is calculated as cash flows from operating activities of the JV adjusted for cash flows associated with sustaining and non-sustaining capital expenditures and payments made to mining contractors for leases capitalized under IFRS 16. Refer to the Company’s Management Discussion and Analysis for the quarter ended September 30, 2019 for a reconciliation of free cash flow to cash flow from operating activities (the nearest GAAP measure) of the Company.

# APPENDIX B – Q3 OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE

AGM Key Mining Statistics (100%)	Units	Q1 2018	Q2 2018	Q3 2018	Q4 2018	Q1 2019	Q2 2019	Q3 2019
Ore tonnes mined	'000	853	945	1,730	1,370	1,505	1,056	<b>1,105</b>
Waste tonnes mined	'000	11,976	9,814	9,084	8,370	6,584	7,808	<b>6,372</b>
Total tonnes mined	'000	12,743	10,759	10,814	9,740	8,089	8,864	<b>7,477</b>
Strip ratio	W:O	14.0	10.4	5.3	6.1	4.4	7.4	<b>5.8</b>
Avg gold grade mined	g/t	1.3	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.6	<b>1.5</b>
Mining cost	\$/t	3.23	3.65	3.63	4.13	4.48	4.36	<b>4.48</b>
Ore milled	'000t	1,269	1,374	1,299	1,238	1,224	1,375	<b>1,439</b>
Gold feed grade	g/t	1.3	1.4	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.5	<b>1.4</b>
Gold recovery	%	93	94	94	95	93	93	<b>94</b>
Gold produced	oz	48,229	53,501	61,599	59,823	60,425	62,067	<b>62,440</b>
Processing cost	\$/t	11.17	9.95	11.26	12.39	11.93	10.60	<b>10.42</b>