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Stronger balance sheet provides impetus'

DRDGOLD RE-FOCUSES ON SOUTH AFRICA

Johannesburg, South Africa. 31 August 2007. DRDGOLD Limited (JSE: DRD; NASDAQ: DROOY) CEO John Sayers says the company's stronger balance sheet – a consequence of the 'substantially completed' balance sheet restructuring of its Australasian interests – 'provides impetus' for growth in South Africa.

Reporting today on DRDGOLD's results for the quarter and year ended 30 June 2007, Sayers said:

- 'signs of responsiveness' by the South African operations to their 'stabilisation strategy';
- the unlocking and growth of surface assets through collaboration with Mintails SA;
- brownfields resource growth, and
- DRDGOLD SA's current evaluation of its uranium potential,

all underscored the company's South African focus.

The recently concluded sale by 79%-held Emperor Mines Limited of its 20% interest in the Porgera Joint Venture in Papua New Guinea would result in the repatriation to South Africa of significant funds in the form of a capital distribution and loan repayments, Sayers said. This would greatly strengthen DRDGOLD's balance sheet going forward.

South African gold production for the quarter rose by 7% to 80 505 oz, reflecting a return to planned production levels at Blyvooruitzicht and improved surface production at ERPM. Group gold production was 12% lower at 91 067 oz however, a consequence both of the disposal by Emperor of the Vatukoula Mine in Fiji and its Porgera JV stake.

While the South African operations recorded a 4% increase in cash operating profit to R45.1 million for the quarter, the Australasian operations incurred a loss of R2.4 million compared with the previous quarter's R15.1 million profit, resulting in a 23% decrease in Group cash operating profit to R44.9 million.

The South African operations produced 6% more gold for the year (334 496 oz) but Group gold production was dragged 10% lower to 477 157 oz due to a 33% decline in Australasian gold production to 115 751 oz.

For the year, the South African operations recorded a cash operating profit of R232.00 and net profit of R55 million compared with the previous year's R30 million loss. The Australasian operations' net loss for the year totalled R1 344 million, R1 022 million of which was incurred by the discontinued Vatukoula operation.

At 30 June 2007, the Group's attributable Mineral Resource reflected a 14% increase on the previous year to 54.2 million oz, a consequence of a 33% increase in the attributable resource of the South African operations to 53.9 million oz. This increase resulted from the granting of the ERPM Extension 2 prospecting right and 12.4 million oz of resource identified in ERPM's southern lease area.

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