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ASCOT ANNOUNCES CLOSING OF C\$10.3 MILLION PRIVATE PLACEMENT

Vancouver, B.C. February 25, 2020 — Ascot Resources Ltd (TSX: AOT; OTCQX: AOTVF) ("Ascot" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that further to its press release of February 5 2020, it has closed the non-brokered private placement (the "Offering") of 5,126,250 flow-through shares (the "Flow-Through Shares") at a price of C\$0.98 per Flow-Through Share, and 8,170,588 common shares (the "Common Shares" and together with the Flow-Through Shares, the "Securities") at a price of C\$0.64 for aggregate gross proceeds of C\$10.3 Million.

Derek White, President and CEO, commented, "Ascot will use the proceeds from the flowthrough shares for the 2020 exploration program at its properties near Stewart, British Columbia. The remaining non-flow-through proceeds will be used for engineering studies, permitting, and general corporate purposes in support of the Company's efforts towards restarting the mining operations at the Premier Gold Project."

The net proceeds from the Offering will be primarily used to fund exploration activities, permitting, engineering and economic studies and for general corporate and working capital purposes. The gross proceeds from the issuance of Flow-Through Shares will be used for "Canadian exploration expenses", and will qualify as "flow-through mining expenditures" as those terms are defined in the *Income Tax Act* (Canada), which will be renounced to the initial purchasers of the Flow-Through Shares with an effective date no later than December 31, 2020 in an aggregate amount not less than the gross proceeds raised from the issue of the Flow-Through Shares.

The Securities issued in the Offering are subject to a statutory hold period expiring four months and one day from the closing date of the Offering. In connection with the Offering, the Company paid a cash fee equal to 6.2% of the proceeds from the sale of Common Shares and Flow-through Shares to advisors and finders.

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Act and applicable state securities laws, or an exemption from such registration requirements is available.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF **ASCOT RESOURCES LTD**.

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About Ascot Resources Ltd.

Ascot is a Canadian-based junior exploration company focused on re-starting the past producing historic Premier gold mine, located in British Columbia's Golden Triangle. The Company continues to define high-grade resources for underground mining with the nearterm goal of converting the underground resources into reserves, while continuing to explore nearby targets on its Premier/Dilworth and Silver Coin properties (collectively referred to as the Premier Gold Project). Ascot's acquisition of IDM Mining added the highgrade gold and silver Red Mountain Project to its portfolio and positions the Company as a leading consolidator of high-quality assets in the Golden Triangle.

For more information about the Company, please refer to the Company's profile on SEDAR at <u>www.sedar.com</u> or visit the Company's web site at <u>www.ascotgold.com</u>, or for a virtual tour visit www.vrify.com under Ascot Resources.

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construction of the Premier and RMP Projects; the timing of the anticipated start of production at the Premier and RMP Projects; the ability to maintain throughput and production levels at the Premier Mill. Forward-looking statements are subject to business and economic risks and uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual results of operations to differ materially from those contained in the forward-looking statements. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from Ascot's expectations include risks associated with the business of Ascot; risks related to exploration and potential development of Ascot's projects; business and economic conditions in the mining industry generally; fluctuations in commodity prices and currency exchange rates; uncertainties relating to interpretation of drill results and the geology, continuity and grade of mineral deposits; the need for cooperation of government agencies and native groups in the exploration and development of properties and the issuance of required permits; the need to obtain additional financing to develop properties and uncertainty as to the availability and terms of future financing; the possibility of delay in exploration or development programs and uncertainty of meeting anticipated program milestones; uncertainty as to timely availability of permits and other governmental approvals; and other risk factors as detailed from time to time and additional risks identified in Ascot's filings with Canadian securities regulators on SEDAR in Canada (available at www.sedar.com). Forward-looking statements are based on estimates and opinions of management at the date the statements are made. Ascot does not undertake any obligation to update forwardlooking statements.