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Yukon Mint Announces First Gold Coin Contest

Whitehorse, Yukon May 15, 2017: Yukon Mint Corporation (Yukon Mint) is pleased to the launch of the Yukon Mint and the commencement of the first Yukon gold coin design contest, *'My Kaska Nation'*.

The story of Canadian gold coins dates back to the Klondike Gold Rush.

In 1853, Canada adopted the gold standard as a monetary system and this standard helped develop a growing interest in minting gold at a Canadian mint. Canadian miners later lobbied for domestic refining capabilities because they were often forced to sell their gold to the United States. The idea for a Canadian Mint and Canadian gold coins was put on hold until the late 1890s, when a major gold rush in Yukon's Klondike region brought an awareness of gold mining to the forefront of Canadian consciousness, and fueled Canadian's dreams of mineral wealth. These first gold coins struck by the Royal Canadian Mint (then called the Ottawa Mint) were Canadian in almost every aspect, from raw material to design. The coins were composed of Canadian gold, approximately 90% of it from the Klondike region.

The story of Yukon gold coins starts with the Yukon Mint™.

The Yukon Mint™ is focused on creating gold coins that will be Yukon in almost every aspect, from raw material to design. The Yukon Mint™ has launched its inaugural coin design contest, *My Kaska Nation*, to create its first Yukon gold coin. The coin design contest is open to all Kaska citizens and will include gold from Golden Predator's 3 Aces project located in the Kaska Nation. The coin design contest launched on May 15, 2017 and is expected to announce a winning design in September 2017. The gold coin production will follow selection of the winning design and includes local profit sharing from the sales of the gold coins.

The Yukon Mint™ works in partnership with First Nation and other governments, corporations and organizations to ensure local communities benefit from Yukon mining and exploration projects. The Yukon Mint™ is a wholly owned subsidiary of Golden Predator Mining Corp.

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