

## NEWS RELEASE

### **IAMGOLD REPORTS END OF ILLEGAL STRIKE AT ITS ROSEBEL GOLD MINE IN SURINAME**

*All monetary amounts are expressed in U.S. dollars, unless otherwise indicated.*

**Toronto, Ontario, December 14, 2015 – IAMGOLD Corporation** (“IAMGOLD” or the “Company”) announced that employees at the Company’s Rosebel Gold Mine in Suriname (“Rosebel”) ended their illegal strike at the end of last week and the mine has resumed production. Rosebel lost approximately 9,000 of attributable gold production and \$9.4 million of revenue due to the strike.

Rosebel can now move ahead to complete the process laying off 160 or approximately 10% of its employees as necessitated by the decline in the gold price. Over 90 employees have already voluntarily accepted the offer.

Rosebel is expected to produce in excess of 280,000 attributable ounces in 2015, which combined with the planned production from the Company’s other mines should result in IAMGOLD meeting its expected production guidance of between 780,000 and 815,000 attributable ounces of gold.

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[www.sec.gov/edgar.shtml](http://www.sec.gov/edgar.shtml). The risks described in the Annual Information Form (filed and viewable on [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com) and [www.sec.gov/edgar.shtml](http://www.sec.gov/edgar.shtml), and available upon request from the Company) are hereby incorporated by reference into this news release.

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IAMGOLD ([www.iamgold.com](http://www.iamgold.com)) is a mid-tier mining company with four operating gold mines on three continents. A solid base of strategic assets in North and South America and West Africa is complemented by development and exploration projects and continued assessment of accretive acquisition opportunities. IAMGOLD is in a strong financial position with extensive management and operational expertise.

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