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## NEWS RELEASE

### East Africa Metals Intersects 22.91 metres at 14.34 grams per tonne at Mato Bula, Adyabo Project, Northern Ethiopia

Vancouver, British Columbia – January 15, 2015 – East Africa Metals Inc. (TSX-V: EAM) (“East Africa” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce results from diamond drilling conducted in Ethiopia. The Company is continuing testing of the highest priority gold targets at the Adyabo and Harvest projects.

Highlights from the recent drilling at Mato Bula include;

- **22.91 metres at 14.34 grams per tonne gold including 8.50 metres at 36.92 grams per tonne gold**, from 101.09 metres drill depth (WMD032 - Section 20280N-oblique). WMD032 was drilled to test a key targeted multielement soil anomaly within the Mato Bula prospect, on the northern section of Silica Hill.
- **24.50 metres at 1.67 grams per tonne gold** and 0.61 percent copper, including 3.35 metres at 5.45 grams per tonne gold and 0.61 percent copper from 204.30 metres (WMD027 - Section 19320N), approximately 130 metres down-plunge and 80 metres south of the Upper Lode intersection in WMD004 (8.20 metres at 4.90 grams per tonne gold and 0.73 percent copper from 127.10 metres – refer to Tigray’s news release dated July 16, 2013).
- **10.65 metres at 3.38 grams per tonne gold** and 0.89 percent copper<sup>4</sup> from 62.35 metres (WMD028 – Section 19400N), 70 metres up dip from the Upper Lode intersection in WMD004.
- **4.85 metres at 5.75 grams per tonne gold** and 0.65 percent copper from 113.35 metres, and 2.75 metres at 8.76 grams per tonne gold from 138.75 metres (WMD024 – Section 20790N)

Selected Highlights from drilling include;

Hole ID		From (m)	To (m)	Interval (m) <sup>1</sup>	Gold grams/tonne <sup>2,3</sup>	Copper %	Local Azimuth	Dip	Prospect
WMD024		74.70	94.95	20.25 <sup>4</sup>	0.17	1.97	91	-63	Mato Bula North
	including	74.70	81.25	6.55	0.22	4.88			
		113.35	118.20	4.85	5.75	0.65			
		138.45	141.20	2.75	8.76	0.04			
WMD025		260.40	288.27	27.87	1.05	0.07	89	-62	Mato Bula Silica Hill
	including	278.42	287.27	8.85	1.81	0.14			
WMD027		204.30	228.80	24.50	1.67	0.61	271	-53	Mato Bula
	including	206.65	212.80	6.15	3.21	0.89			
	and including	209.45	212.80	3.35	5.45	0.61			

Hole ID		From (m)	To (m)	Interval (m) <sup>1</sup>	Gold grams/tonne <sup>2,3</sup>	Copper %	Local Azimuth	Dip	Prospect
WMD028		46.03	55.25	9.22	0.61	0.72	270	-56	Mato Bula
	including	48.48	53.30	4.82	0.90	1.13			
		62.35	73.00	10.65 <sup>4</sup>	3.38	0.89			
	including	70.45	72.15	1.70	19.93	1.78			
		76.80	85.00	8.20	1.13	0.33			
	including	78.80	82.00	3.20	1.98	0.35			
WMD032		101.09	124.00	22.91	14.34	0.04	315	-48	Mato Bula Silica Hill North
	including	101.09	105.65	4.56	2.27	0.01			
	and including	112.50	121.00	8.50	36.92	0.08			

<sup>1</sup> True thicknesses are interpreted as 60-90% of stated intervals.

<sup>2</sup> Intervals use a 0.3 gram per tonne gold cutoff value.

<sup>3</sup> No top cut has been used on assay values.

<sup>4</sup> Copper interval, not subject to gold cutoff criteria

Click [here](#) to view a Map of the Mato Bula Drill Hole Locations and complete list of drillhole results.

### Adyabo Project

Exploration diamond drilling continues at Adyabo, testing for extension to high grade intersections identified to date. Continued drilling will focus on follow-up of extensions to the WMD028 intersection at Silica Hill North, and the WMD024 intersection at Mato Bula North. The results for three diamond drill holes completed at the Da Tambuk prospect, 4 kilometres north of Mato Bula, should be available early in the first quarter of 2015.

### Harvest Project

At the Terakimti VHMS deposit, the 4,000 metre detailed oxide resource RC infill drilling is continuing. A total of 18 holes were completed prior to the end-of-year break. The program is expected to be completed in mid-February. A diamond drilling definition program at the VTEM09 prospect is also scheduled for completion in the first quarter of 2015.

### Quality Control

The planning, execution and monitoring of East Africa's quality control programs at the Harvest and Adyabo Projects are under the supervision of Jeff Heidema, P.Geol., East Africa's Vice President Exploration. Mr. Heidema is a Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101 – Standards of Disclosures of Mineral Projects ("NI 43-101"). Diamond drill core samples and trench samples have undergone preliminary preparation at the Acme Laboratories facility in Ankara, Turkey, and are crushed to 80% passing 10 mesh, and pulverized to 85% passing 200 mesh (PRP70-1KG package). Analyses are conducted at Acme Laboratories in Vancouver, Canada, utilizing Aqua Regia digestion and ICP-ES for base metal and silver analyses. Gold analyses are conducted via Fire Assay Fusion with AA finish, and gravimetric analyses are completed for over-limit samples. Blanks and certified reference standards are inserted into the sample stream to monitor laboratory performance. For core, duplicate samples are inserted into the sample stream to both monitor laboratory performance and also characterize potential mineralization.

### Qualified Person

Technical information included in this news release was reviewed and approved by Jeff Heidema, P.Geol., the Company's Vice President Exploration. Mr. Heidema is a Qualified Person as defined by NI 43-101.

### About East Africa Metals

The Company's principal assets and interests include both the 70%-owned Harvest polymetallic VMS exploration Project, which covers approximately 116 square kilometres in the Tigray region of Ethiopia, 600 kilometres north-northwest of the capital city of Addis Ababa, and the Adyabo Project, covering 312 square kilometres immediately

west of the Harvest Project. The Company has entered into an agreement to acquire up to 80% of the Adyabo Project. Additionally, the Company owns the 93 square kilometre Handeni Property located in north-eastern Tanzania. Handeni includes the Magambazi Project, a gold deposit discovered in 2009.

More information on the Company can be viewed at the Company's website:  
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