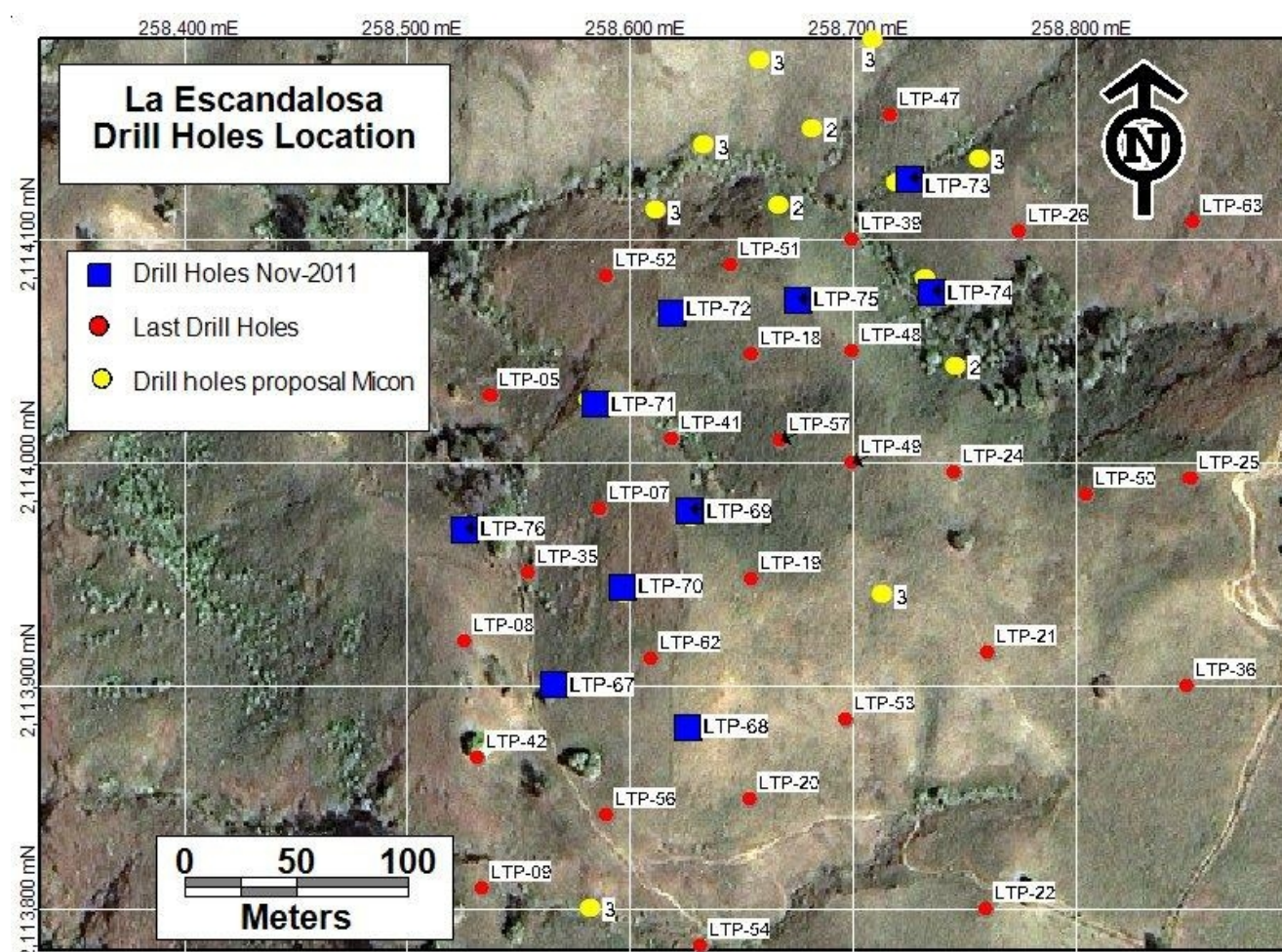


December 15th 2011, Vancouver, British Colombia – GoldQuest Mining Corp. (TSXV: GQC) is pleased to announce assay results from the first three vertical holes in their recently completed Q4 drilling program at its flagship 100 percent owned La Escandalosa property, located in the Dominican Republic. Ten holes were drilled for a total of 1,070 metres and assays from the remaining seven holes are pending.

The drill results are located in the table below. The results ranged from **28.0 meters grading 3.57 g/t gold, including 20 meters grading 4.87 g/t gold to 4.1 metres grading 0.78 g/t gold**. The program tested lateral extensions of the known La Escandalosa Sur mineralization and included confirmatory infill drilling of the same zone to increase knowledge and drill density of the deposit (see plan of the drill program on

[http://www.goldquestcorp.com/images/DrillHoles\\_NovDec2011\\_LE.JPG](http://www.goldquestcorp.com/images/DrillHoles_NovDec2011_LE.JPG) .



"The results reinforce our confidence in the gold potential at La Escandalosa, where the intersections are within 100 metres of the surface," Julio Espallat, Chief Executive Officer stated, "This program is designed to further our understanding of the mineralization in preparation for the currently planned drilling of the adjacent geophysical targets in early 2012."

GoldQuest's NI 43-101 compliant inferred resource at La Escandalosa Sur is 4.86 million tonnes grading 2.60 g/t gold (at 0.3 g/t gold cut off) and was posted on SEDAR on November 16, 2010. The Hondo Valle mineralization is located 1,600 metres north of La Escandalosa,

where the best drill hole returned 29.00 metres grading 2.18 g/t gold (see press release May 16, 2011), including 17.00 meters grading 3.45g/t gold in hole LTP-065. Both La Escandalosa and Honda Valle lie on or adjacent to the Zone A Induced Polarization (IP) anomaly which Goldquest's geologists believe may be related to the gold occurrences in the district. La Escandalosa extends 600 metres north to south in the central portion of Zone A, which extends in total for over 3.4 kilometres north to south. Refer to IP map located at [http://www.goldquestcorp.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=124&Itemid=13](http://www.goldquestcorp.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=124&Itemid=13).

A summary of the results is as follows:

HOLE_ID	EASTING	NORTHING	ELEV_M	DIP	DEPTH_M	From	To	Interval (m)	Assay (g/t)
LTP-67	258566	2113901	1103	-90	85.34	34.00	42.00	8.00	1.95
LTP-67						51.95	56.00	4.05	0.95
LTP-68	258626	2113882	1133	-90	108.2	84.00	88.13	4.13	0.78
LTP-69	258627	2113979	1122	-90	124.97	56.00	84.00	28.00	3.57
Include						56.00	76.00	20.00	4.87
LTP-69						96.00	100.00	4.00	0.98

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The qualified person who has approved the technical information in this press release is Mr. William Fisher, P. Geo., the chairman and a director of GoldQuest Mining Corp.

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