

**GOLDQUEST ANNOUNCES ARRIVAL OF 700 METRE CAPABLE DRILL RIG AT ROMERO,
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC; ADDS SENIOR MANAGEMENT; GRANTS STOCK OPTIONS**

September 11th 2012, Vancouver, British Columbia - GoldQuest Mining Corp. (TSXV: GQC) ("**GoldQuest**" or the "**Company**") is pleased to announce that a drill rig capable of drilling to approximately 700 metres has started drilling at the Company's Romero Discovery in the Dominican Republic. The Romero mineralization is located within the Company's 100% owned Las Tres Palmas Project in the Dominican Republic, where the discovery hole was announced on May 23, 2012, and highlights include 231 metres grading 2.4 g/t gold and 0.44 % copper (see release of May 29, 2012).

As of today's date, twelve holes have been completed at the Romero discovery zone and three more holes are in progress (see map for location and length of holes at http://www.goldquestcorp.com/images/maps/2012-09-10_MAP3.jpg) Thus far, the assays for seven holes have been reported and all these seven ended in mineralization, which, in the opinion of the Company, warrants the use of a larger drill rig capable of investigating deeper mineralization potential.

"We look forward to using this drill rig to investigate the Romero discovery and surrounding targets at depth," commented Julio Espailat, GoldQuest's CEO "This machine will also be deployed to drill inclined holes into areas of known mineralization to gain further understanding of the mineralization and structure in three dimensions."

In other news, the Company is also pleased to announce the appointment of Jeremy Niemi (P.Geo) as Director of Technical Services and Compliance. Mr. Niemi has over 15 years experience in the resource industry from mineral exploration through to mine development and production. Recent positions include VP Exploration for Noront Resources and Manager, Technical Services, for Kinross Gold Corporation.

"We are pleased to welcome Mr Niemi to the Company," commented Julio Espailat, "as he brings wide experience to the Company, especially in terms of resource modeling. Jeremy's experience will be helpful in assisting the Company with its rapidly expanding operations."

The Company has granted incentive stock options to an employee of the Company to purchase up to 250,000 common shares of the Company at a price of \$1.56 per share. The stock options are exercisable on or before September 4, 2017 and vest in stages with 25% to vest immediately and the remainder to vest 25% at three, nine and fifteen months from the date of the grant. The stock options are being granted pursuant to the terms of the Company's stock option plan and are subject to regulatory approval.

About GoldQuest

GoldQuest is a Canadian based mineral exploration company with projects in the Dominican Republic traded on the TSX-V under the symbol GQC.V and in Frankfurt/Berlin with symbol M1W, with 142,496,933 shares

outstanding (154,856,567 on a fully diluted basis).

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