Pan American Silver Reports Recent Drill Results for the La Colorada Skarn Discovery

VANCOUVER, Feb. 13, 2020 /CNW/ - **Pan American Silver Corp.** (NASDAQ: PAAS) ("Pan American", or the "Company") today announced results for 14 holes drilled on the La Colorada polymetallic skarn discovery in Mexico during the fourth quarter of 2019.

"Further step-out exploration drill results demonstrate the potential to increase our initial 72.5 million tonne resource estimate announced on December 11, 2019," said Christopher Emerson, Pan American's Vice President Business Development and Geology. "Drillholes U-88-19 and U-105-19 indicate extensions of high grade massive sulphides to the southeast, while holes D-81-01-19 and S-81-19 indicate the resource may expand to the northeast."

Drill highlights include:

- U-88-19: 270.9 m at 60 g/t Ag, 0.17% Cu, 2.69% Pb and 4.52% Zn including 166.9 m at 85 g/t Ag, 0.18% Cu, 3.93% Pb and 6.39% Zn
- U-105-19: **192.5 m** at 30 g/t Ag, 0.15% Cu, 2.42% Pb and 3.51% Zn including **105.6 m** at 29 g/t Ag, 0.14% Cu, 3.05% Pb and 4.52% Zn
- D-30-03-19: **76.1 m** at 35 g/t Ag, 0.20% Cu, 2.04% Pb and 3.31% Zn
- D-30-05-19: **62.5 m** at 51 g/t Ag, 0.28% Cu, 1.79% Pb and 4.57% Zn
- D-81-01-19: **32.9 m** at 54 g/t Ag, 1.15% Cu, 0.36% Pb and 2.51% Zn and **75.9 m** at 78 g/t Ag, 0.50% Cu, 0.34% Pb and 3.83% Zn and **19.2 m** at 133 g/t Ag, 0.88% Cu, 0.25% Pb and 3.36% Zn
- U-87-19: **47.2 m** at 33 g/t Ag, 0.09% Cu, 2.13% Pb and 4.95% Zn
- S-81-19: **24.5 m** at 54 g/t Ag, 0.05% Cu, 2.01% Pb and 10.33% Zn and **28.8 m** at 43 g/t Ag, 0.16% Cu, 1.03% Pb and 3.54% Zn

Since the discovery in 2018, Pan American has drilled a total of approximately 60,000 metres on the La Colorada skarn. An initial inferred mineral resource estimate of the deposit was provided in the Company's news release dated December 11, 2019. The most recent drill results provided in this news release were not included in this initial resource estimate.

In 2020, Pan American plans to invest US\$16 million to \$18 million on the drilling program, early stage engineering and metallurgical testing for the La Colorada skarn discovery. The 44,000 metre drill program is focused on infill and exploration drilling to further define, expand and add confidence to the inferred resource estimate. Pan American is aiming to provide an update on the initial resource estimate concurrent with the release of its annual mineral reserve and resource estimates effective June 30, 2020.

Please see our website at: <u>panamericansilver.com/operations/exploration/la-colorada-skarn/</u> for further information, including cross sections, plan and images of the mineralized core.

Summary of Drill Results for the Fourth Quarter of 2019

Previous drill results disclosed in Pan American's news releases dated October 23, 2018, February 21, 2019, May 8, 2019, August 1, 2019, and October 30, 2019 are not included in this table.

Drill hole ID	From (m)	To (m)	Interval (m) ⁽¹⁾	Ag g/t	Cu %	Pb %	Zn %
D-30-03-19	979.3	1055.4	76.1	35	0.20	2.04	3.31
D-30-04-19	972.3	987.5	15.3	51	0.23	2.35	5.37
and	1231.6	1247.2	15.6	100	0.38	5.55	3.44
D-30-05-19	1041.5	1103.9	62.5	51	0.28	1.79	4.57
D-57-03-19	1494.9	1516.6	21.8	36	0.10	0.51	3.64
and	1738.9	1784.1	45.2	49	0.62	0.23	3.97
D-57-04-19	1126.3	1149.4	23.1	74	0.09	2.60	1.54
and	1167.4	1209.5	42.1	53	0.06	2.32	1.64
D-81-01-19	1385.6	1418.5	32.9	54	1.15	0.36	2.51

and	1437.9	1513.8	75.9	78	0.50	0.34	3.83
and	1542.8	1562.0	19.2	133	0.88	0.25	3.36
S-77-19-A	1129.5	1143.8	14.3	63	0.22	0.51	5.66
S-81-19	641.9	646.8	4.9	690	0.13	1.14	1.37
and	734.0	742.2	8.3	1116	0.35	2.38	7.14
and	770.3	774.6	4.4	176	0.14	3.04	7.71
and	1219.0	1243.4	24.5	54	0.05	2.01	10.33
and	1399.8	1428.6	28.8	43	0.16	1.03	3.54
and	1554.1	1564.1	10.0	2	0.12	0.00	11.24
and	1587.3	1601.3	14.0	4	0.17	0.08	5.28
U-104-19	871.6	877.1	5.5	37	0.06	8.59	11.54
U-105-19	565.7	716.4	150.7	40	0.28	1.65	3.06
and	759.9	952.3	192.5	30	0.15	2.42	3.51
incl.	759.9	865.4	105.6	29	0.14	3.05	4.52
U-84-19	126.7	134.8	8.1	88	0.09	6.27	9.49
and	411.4	435.1	23.7	31	0.08	2.20	3.52
U-87-19	1062.9	1110.1	47.2	33	0.09	2.13	4.95
U-88-19	528.9	799.8	270.9	60	0.17	2.69	4.52
incl.	528.9	695.7	166.9	85	0.18	3.93	6.39
and	930.5	954.2	23.7	42	0.42	1.91	3.56
U-98-19	328.7	331.9	3.2	71	0.19	2.74	5.37
and	588.3	606.1	17.8	22	0.03	1.29	2.59

⁽¹⁾ True widths of the mineralized intervals are unknown at this time.

Drill Hole Collar Information

Drill Hole ID	East Local	North Local	Elevation	Length (m)	Azimuth Avg (⁰)	Dip Avg (⁰)
D-30-03-19	5460.6	5462.9	1197.1	426.4	3	-78
D-30-04-19	5460.6	5462.9	1343.6	553.9	190	-84
D-30-05-19	5460.6	5462.9	1207.1	406.8	106	-79
D-57-03-19	4886.4	5071.7	1851.3	1177.7	64	-80
D-57-04-19	4886.4	5071.7	1789.8	1050.4	105	-82
D-81-01-19	5804.8	5770.1	1793.9	1146.1	281	-84
S-77-19-A	5777.8	5504.1	2540.8	1379.4	0	-90
S-81-19	5804.8	5770.1	2590.7	1684.2	0	-90
U-104-19	5121.6	5200.8	2030.0	999.2	252	-80
U-105-19	5258.4	5415.6	1998.9	992.1	127	-83
U-84-19	5329.4	5536.5	1998.2	790.8	60	-80
U-87-19	5120.0	5201.2	2029.9	1284.1	297	-84
U-88-19	5258.5	5417.0	1998.7	1005.6	100	-81
U-98-19	5122.0	5200.5	2029.7	799.5	270	-77

General Notes with Respect to Technical Information

Technical information contained in this news release with respect to Pan American has been reviewed and approved by Christopher Emerson, FAusIMM., Vice President Business Development and Geology, who is a Qualified Person for the purposes of NI 43-101.

Grades are shown as contained metal before mill recoveries are applied. All samples provided in this news release were prepared and analyzed by SGS in Durango, Mexico using fire assay with gravimetric finish for gold, and by acid digestion with ICP finish for silver, lead, zinc, and copper. Pan American implements a quality assurance and quality control ("QAQC") program including the submission of certified standards, blanks, and duplicate samples to the laboratories. The results of the QAQC samples submitted to SGS demonstrate acceptable accuracy and precision. The Qualified Person is of the opinion that the sample preparation, analytical, and security procedures followed for the samples are sufficient and reliable for the purpose of any future mineral resource and mineral reserve estimates. Pan American is not aware of any drilling, sampling, recovery or other factors that could materially affect the accuracy or reliability of the data reported herein. SGS is independent from Pan American.

About Pan American Silver

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These forward-looking statements and information reflect the Company's current views with respect to future events and are necessarily based upon a number of assumptions that, while considered reasonable by the Company, are inherently subject to significant operational, business, economic and regulatory uncertainties and contingencies. These assumptions include: our mineral reserve and mineral resource estimates and the assumptions upon which they are based; ore grades and recoveries; prices for silver, gold, and base metals remaining as estimated; currency exchange rates remaining as estimated; capital, decommissioning and reclamation estimates; prices for energy inputs, labour, materials, supplies and services (including transportation); all necessary permits, licenses and regulatory approvals for the La Colorada mine are received in a timely manner; our ability to secure and maintain the surface rights necessary for our operations; and our ability to comply with environmental, health and safety laws. The foregoing list of assumptions is not exhaustive.

The Company cautions the reader that forward-looking statements and information involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results and developments to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements or information contained in this news release and the Company has made assumptions and estimates based on or related to many of these factors. Such factors include, without limitation: fluctuations in silver and gold prices; fluctuations in prices for energy inputs, labour, materials, supplies and services (including transportation); fluctuations in currency markets (such as the Canadian dollar, Peruvian sol, Mexican peso, Argentine peso and Bolivian boliviano versus the U.S. dollar); operational risks and hazards inherent with the business of mining (including environmental accidents and hazards, industrial accidents, equipment breakdown, unusual or unexpected geological or structural formations, cave-ins, flooding and severe weather); risks relating to the credit worthiness or financial condition of suppliers, refiners and other parties with whom the Company does business; inadequate insurance, or inability to obtain insurance, to cover these risks and hazards; employee relations; relationships with, and claims by, local

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