ARGO GOLD INC.

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ARGO GOLD ANNOUNCES SHARES FOR DEBT SETTLEMENT

Toronto, CANADA, August 3, 2018 – Argo Gold Inc. ("Argo Gold" or the "Company") (CSE: ARQ) announces that it has settled an aggregate of \$38,400 of indebtedness of the Company with various arm's length creditors through the issuance of an aggregate of 320,000 common shares ("Common Shares") at a price of \$0.12 per Common Shares.

The Common Shares issued pursuant to the debt settlement are subject to a four month and one day hold period pursuant to applicable securities laws.

About Argo Gold Inc.

Argo Gold is listed on the Canadian Securities Exchange under the ticker ARQ. Argo Gold is focused on gold exploration projects central and northwestern Ontario. All of Argo Gold's projects are 100% owned and have indications of economic viability. Argo Gold's website is www.argogold.ca.

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