

Kainantu Resources Filing of Q1 2023 Results

Vancouver, B.C. – May 30, 2023 - Kainantu Resources Ltd. (TSX-V: KRL, FSE: 6J0) ("KRL" or the "Company"), the Asia-Pacific focused gold mining company, is pleased to report the filing of its interim results for the 3 months ending March 31, 2023, a copy of which is available for review in the "Investors" section of the Company's <u>website</u>.

Key aspects to report over the period include the following (with financial analysis stated in USD unless otherwise noted):

Financial Update and Highlights

- ongoing prudent management of capital resources continued in Q1 2023, during the 3 months ended March 31;
- capitalised expenditure on exploration and evaluation activities totalled \$0.32 million, compared to \$0.72 million for the period in 2022, with the generally less field activity for the period;
- subsequent to the reporting date on May 30, 2023, KRL announced of the placement of a Senior Convertible Debenture securing commitments of C\$1.40 million, maintaining funding for the Company's projects and operations (to supplement cash and receivables reported at March 31 of \$0.35 million (or C\$ 0.48 million) with \$0.17 million of non-trade receivables);
- cash used in operating activities was \$0.32 million and \$0.31 million for investing activities and net inflows from financing of \$0.52 million; and
- the operating loss for the period was \$0.31 million largely in line with \$0.26 million in 2022 with small increases in travel costs and professional fees relating to fundraising.

Operational Update and Highlights

The focus for Q1 2023 was on priority projects at Kili Teke and Ontenu/KRL South, including:

- ongoing work to define drill targets at the Ontenu Prospect, with a high degree of consistency reported from samples, within a narrow range of up to 1.55ppm Au; 3,893ppm Cu and 20.8ppp Ag;
- issuance of an NI43-101 Technical Report for the Kili Teke project, with an estimated inferred mineral resource of 237Mt @ 0.34% Cu, 0.24g/t Au and 168ppm Mo, for a total of 802kt of Cu, 1.81Moz of Au and 40kt Mo (at a 0.2% Cu cut-off); and
- completion of a highly successful study at the Mountain Gate Prospect at the May River Project, with geochemical analysis identifying a likely shallow buried Au and Cu rich porphyry target.

Matthew Salthouse, CEO of KRL, commented:

"KRL is pleased to provide this update for Q1 2023. During the quarter, considerable focus was applied towards funding initiatives to enable the consolidation and development of our foundation assets; providing a platform to preserve and build upon our blue chip portfolio at Kainantu, May River and Kili Teke.

The recently announced convertible debenture supports this strategy, providing funding to lock in value generating initiatives; primarily at Kili Teke and Ontenu/KRL South.

KRL looks forward to updating stakeholders on further initiatives at these projects and other locations in the near future."



About Kainantu Resources Limited (KRL)

Kainantu Resources 'KRL' is an Asia-Pacific focused gold mining company with three highly prospective gold-copper projects, KRL South, KRL North and the May River Project. All projects are located in premier mining regions in PNG. Both KRL North and KRL South show potential to host high-grade epithermal and porphyry mineralisation, as seen elsewhere in the high-grade Kainantu Gold District. The May River project is in close proximity to the world-renowned Frieda River Copper-Gold Project, with historical drilling indicating the potential for significant copper-gold projects. KRL has a highly experienced board and management team with a proven track record of working together in the region; and an established incountry partner. KRL recently executed an agreement to acquire the Kili Teke project in the western highlands of PNG.

Qualified Person

The scientific and technical information disclosed in this release has been reviewed and approved by Graeme Fleming, B. App. Sc., MAIG, an independent "qualified person" as defined under National Instrument 43-101, *Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects*.

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