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## **TULAWAKA GOLD MINE ACHIEVES RECORD PRODUCTION OF 211,373 OUNCES IN 2008**

Montreal, January 27, 2009 – MDN INC. («MDN») is pleased to announce that the Tulawaka Gold Mine in Tanzania produced a record 211,373 ounces of gold for the year ended December 31, 2008, an 18% increase over 2007.

“This increase is particularly noteworthy given that it occurred during a year in which the mine was transformed from an open pit to underground operations, a change usually associated with a decrease in production” stated Paul-A. Girard, Chairman & CEO of MDN.

For the year 2008, the mill processed 381,789 tonnes of ore at an average grade of 18 g/t gold and at a recovery rate of 95.5%. Total cash costs for the year averaged US\$212 to produce an ounce of gold, compared with US\$271 in 2007. The Tulawaka gold production now totals **654,367 ounces** since the beginning of operations in March 2005.

For the year 2008, a total of 212,913 ounces of gold have been sold, entirely in the spot market, at an average price of US\$880/oz. compared to an average price of US\$709/oz. in 2007, for total sales of US\$187.4 million. Since the beginning of operations in March 2005, a total of **646,078** ounces of gold have been sold.

### **Q4 Production Results**

For the fourth quarter 2008, which represents the first quarter of full production from the underground mine, Tulawaka produced 28,565 ounces of gold. The mill processed 102,428 tonnes of ore at an average grade of 9.3 g/t gold and at a gold recovery rate of 93.3%. Total cash costs averaged US\$323 to produce an ounce of gold.

For this first quarter of full underground production, operations and mining of the underground gold deposits were limited by the construction of the new underground access ramp.

During the fourth quarter, 30,153 ounces of gold were sold into the spot market at an average price of US\$803 for total sales of US\$24.2 million.

The Tulawaka project is a joint-venture between MDN (30%) and Pangea Goldfields Inc. (70%), a wholly owned indirect subsidiary of Barrick Gold Corporation and project operator through its Tanzanian subsidiary Pangea Minerals Ltd. The information disclosed on the Tulawaka Gold Mine is based on information provided by the Operator.

MDN Inc. is a Montreal-based Canadian exploration company that holds a 30% participation in the Tulawaka Gold Mine (Tanzania). Its main exploration activities are carried out in Quebec through gold and base metal interests and in Tanzania through a majority interest in 35 adjacent mineral licenses.

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