Argo Acquires Additional Saskatchewan Uranium Claim

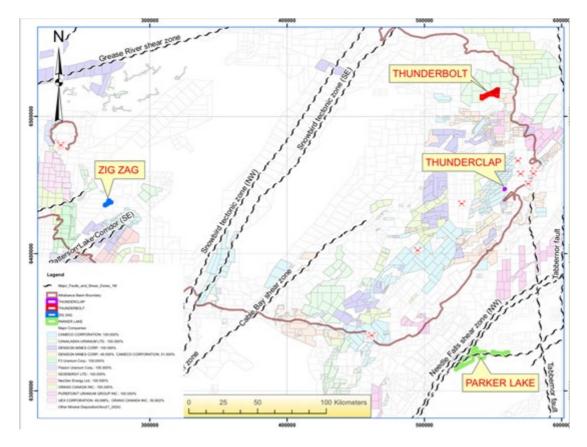
Toronto, Ontario--(Newsfile Corp. - December 23, 2024) - Argo Gold Inc. (CSE: ARQ) (OTC Pink: ARBTF) (FSE: A2ASDS) (XSTU: A2ASDS) (XBER: A2ASDS) ("**Argo**" or the "**Company**") (CSE: **ARQ**, OTC: **ARBTF** and XFRA, XSTU, XBER: **A2ASDS**) has entered into an agreement to acquire an additional mineral claim in Saskatchewan pursuant to which Argo Gold can acquire a 100% interest in the **Thunderclap** mineral claim located in the Athabasca Basin which covers an area of 97 hectares for \$1,000 in cash payable to the vendor. Argo now has 16,059 hectares of prospective uranium mineral claims in the Athabasca Basin.

The **Thunderclap** mineral claim is located 16 kilometres SSW of the McLean Lake Uranium Mine and Mill, 18 kilometres SW of the Rabbit Lake Mine and Mill, 30 kilometres NE of Cameco's Cigar Lake High Grade Uranium Mine, 12 kilometres south of the Points North Landing camp and airstrip, and 17 kilometres south of Denison Mine's Midwest Lake ISR uranium deposit. Thunderclap is surrounded by Cameco Corporation, with Uranium Energy Corp (UEC) to the immediate east.

To the east of the **Thunderclap** mineral claim, drilling by Asamera in 1982 returned 0.13% eU_3O_8 over 4 metres in sheared, reduced yellow brown to olive green chlorite schist. The unconformity lies at a depth of 182 metres with bleaching, hematite and chlorite alteration in basement rocks. (Reference: SMDI 1969 located 600 metres east of **Thunderclap**). A second drill hole intersected the unconformity at 212.6 metres returning 0.17% U_3O_8 over 1.0 metre from graphitic gouge in carbonate veining and chloritic alteration in graphitic pelite in basement rocks. (Reference: SDMI 2552 is located 1500 metres east of **Thunderclap**).

To the NW of **Thunderclap** and 5.28 kilometres south of the Midwest Lake Uranium Deposit, historical drilling intersected 0.25% eU_3O_8 over 4.0 metres in DDH Q85-24 from 166.3 to 170.3 metres in the lower sandstone and regolith in black pyritic sandstone and 1.1 metres in the lower sandstone of 14.8% Ni, 7.2% Co, 1.44% Cu, 1.14% As and 0.16% Pb. (Reference: SMDI 2551). Historic drilling 3.5 kilometres to the SW of **Thunderclap** returned 0.34% U₃O₈ over 0.5 metres as well as anomalous nickel arsenide, cobalt, copper, lead and zinc. (Reference: SMDI 2751). The anomalous polymetallic mineralization is considered to be very significant, as the Cigar Lake high grade uranium mine carries similar polymetallic mineralization along with the uranium and gold/silver. The Thunderclap Property is considered highly prospective and has never been drilled-tested.

The Fraser Institute's Annual Survey of Mining Companies ranked Saskatchewan as third in the world for mineral exploration and mining investment attractiveness. Argo is well positioned to advance mineral exploration with high-quality assets in a mining friendly jurisdiction.



Map 1: Location of Thunderclap, Thunderbolt, Zig Zag and Parker Lake mineral claims

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The technical information in this news release has been reviewed and approved by Bill Kerr, who is a "Qualified Person" as defined in National Instrument 43-101. Historical geochemical, drilling results and geological descriptions quoted in this news release were taken directly from news releases by other mineral explorers and from information provided by the Government of Saskatchewan. Management cautions that results reported by other parties on adjacent properties have not been verified nor confirmed by its Qualified Person, but Argo believes they create a scientific foundation for the exploration in the district. Management further cautions that historical results or discoveries on adjacent or nearby mineral properties are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be achieved on Argo's mineral properties.

Note on U₃O₈ Equivalence

Some of the reported U_3O_8 results represent "equivalent uranium," or eU_3O_8 , which is determined through downhole probing techniques. These methods estimate the uranium content in situ by measuring gamma radiation, which is then converted into an eU_3O_8 value based on standard calibration factors. It's important to note that this is an indirect measurement, and the actual uranium species may vary. The eU_3O_8 values provide an estimate of uranium concentrations in the mineralization, but further assaying and metallurgical testing would be needed to confirm the precise uranium species and chemical grade.

Closing of Acquisition

Argo has also closed the acquisition of Thunderbolt and Zig Zag mineral claims previously disclosed in Argo's press release dated December 3, 2024. In addition to the cash payment of \$5,000, Argo has issued 500,000 common shares in the capital of the Company pursuant to an acquisition agreement (the **"Agreement"**) whereby the Company acquired **Thunderbolt** and **Zig Zag** claims located in the

Athabasca Basin. The common shares are issued at a deemed price of \$0.08 per common share for a total value of C\$40,000. The 500,000 common shares issued pursuant to the Agreement are subject to a statutory hold period of four months and one day from the date of issuance.

About Argo Gold

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