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LIMA, PERU- August 8th, 2016) – **Minera IRL Ltd. {BVL: MIRL}** is pleased to announce the resumption of drilling at the Ollachea flagship gold project in Puno, Southern Peru.

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In 2013, three holes drilled off the tunnel intercepted mineralisation at grades generally superior to those encountered in main ore body.

DDH13-T01 20 mts grading 4.48 g/t Au

DDH13-T03 11 mts grading 5.47 g/t Au

DDH13-T04 9 mts grading 5.45 g/t Au

The drilling program is a condition precedent to access the second tranche of the US \$240 million debt facility provided by Corporación Financiera de Desarrollo S.A. ("Cofide") for the design, construction and commissioning of the mine. Other key milestones are completion of the optimisation studies for the mine extraction rate and metallurgical process and flow-sheet.

Both studies are focused on reducing the capital without prejudicing the targeted annual production of 100,000 oz. Au.

**Mr. Francis O'Kelly, Chairman of Minera IRL** commented, *"I am pleased to report*

*recommencement of field activity at the mine site after a hiatus of almost one year due to circumstances that caused the temporary withdrawal of Community support for the project. I am particularly gratified that the concerns of the Ollachea community have been successfully addressed and that the Company can now look forward to advancing the project in a cooperative spirit"*

The drilling program has duration of 90 days. Assay results will be released periodically during the course of the project

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