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	Orla Mining	TSX : OLA
	Stage	Development
	Metals	Gold
	Market cap	C\$4.94 billion @ C\$15.31
	Location	Mexico + Nevada + Canada + Panama
	Website	www.orlamining.com

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Vancouver, BC – April 1, 2025 – **Orla Mining Ltd. (TSX: OLA; NYSE: ORLA)** (“Orla” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce the start of the 2025 exploration drilling program at the Company’s recently acquired Musselwhite Mine in Northwestern Ontario.

2025 Program Summary:

1. Underground drilling to replace and expand reserves and resources.

2. Directional drilling from surface to prove the open down-plunge extension of the Mine Trend; the first surface program since 2020.
3. Drill testing priority near-mine targets to identify potential new mill feed material.

Background:

The Musselwhite Mine has produced nearly 6 Moz of gold over its 28-year operating history.

Recent exploration efforts have focused on near-mine targets, including the down-plunge extension of the mine trend (PQ Deep area), through underground drilling to replace depleted reserves and resources. However, historical exploration drilling confirmed that the mineralized system extends at least one kilometre beyond current reserves.

These results indicate significant potential mineralization beyond the current reserve.

Orla plans to continue underground exploration while also restarting drilling from surface to confirm the deposit's down-plunge continuity. The objective is to define a critical mass of additional reserves and resources to support expansion of the operation and significantly extend the mine life.

Historical drilling along the mine trend extension suggests an additional two to three kilometres of mineralized strike potential beyond current reserves and resources, extending from the PQ Deep area into the down-plunge portion of the mine. Additionally, Orla will assess near-mine targets through surface drilling for further resource growth and potential new mill feed.

Sylvain Guerard, Orla's Senior Vice President, Exploration

[commented](#)

“We are thrilled to launch this long-overdue, ambitious exploration program at Musselwhite.

“Our primary objective is to intersect mineralization beyond the current reserves and resources along the down-plunge extension of the Mine Trend, demonstrating the potential to extend mine life well beyond 2030.

“We will also continue underground drilling and reactivate surface drilling near the mine to further expand resources and demonstrate the potential for mine life extension and expansion.” –

2025 Underground Drill Program:

Underground exploration drilling began in March immediately following completion of the Musselwhite acquisition. Orla intends to complete approximately 35,000 metres of underground drilling in 2025 to offset mine depletion and grow reserves, resources and mineral inventories.

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