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PAPUA NEW GUINEA: Woodlark Island Gold

## **Project development extension granted**

The <u>Board</u> of Geopacific Resources Limited (Geopacific) is pleased to provide an update of the recent approval on the Mining Lease for the Woodlark Gold Project (Woodlark), held in joint venture with Kula Gold Limited (ASX:KGD).

### 2.5 year extension granted by Authorities

Woodlark's approvals cover a 1.8 million tonne per annum conventional Carbon-in-Leach processing plant. One of the approvals is the 20-year Mining Lease, which included a condition to complete construction and commissioning of the Project by 4 July 2017.

Geopacific applied to maintain the currency of the 20-year Mining Lease, with success.

On 29 June, the Minister for Mining in Papua New Guinea approved a variation to extend the condition. The approval grants an additional two-and-a-half year period to develop the Project within the 20-year Mining Lease.

The grant includes a 12-month period to vary the technical aspects of the Project resulting from Geopacifc's Definitive Feasibility Study optimisation work.

#### Ron Heeks, Managing Director of Geopacific said

"The mining lease is a critical element in our plan to deliver Woodlark into production – so we are pleased with this result.

"When we took the Project on, we understood the risk associated with the Mining Lease. We were confident that the PNG Authorities would form a favourable view of the plan for our experienced and financially supported team to move Woodlark forward.

"We thank the PNG Authorities for working with us to achieve this result.

"This shows that we can deliver results on the ground. We encourage Kula shareholders to back our team and accept the takeover offer – let's realise the potential of Woodlark together."

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