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Western Atlas Resources to stay the course with regard to its initial Diamond Drill Program at the Meadowbank Gold Project

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (March 26, 2020) – Western Atlas Resources Inc. ("**Western Atlas**" or the "**Company**") (TSXV: **WA**), following the declaration of a state of public health emergency relating to COVID-19 by the Government of Nunavut, is providing an update on its previously announced initial 4,000 drill program (the "Program") at its 100% owned Meadowbank Gold Project located in Nunavut, Canada.

After discussing with its stakeholders and partners, Western Atlas has determined that it will stay the course with regard to the previously announced Program and may take strategic actions for its further expansion (for more details regarding Western Atlas diamond drill program please refer to the Company's press release issued on February 18, 2020).

Fabio Capponi, CEO stated: "While advancing with its Program, Western Atlas together with its contractors is implementing operational procedures aimed at limiting the potential risk of COVID-19 transmission. Our commitment to the safety and well-being of all our employees and that of the Nunavut community in which the Company operates, is a priority."

At the present time there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Nunavut or among the Company's team members. The Company is working together with its stakeholders to ensure the continued health of local residents in the community in which it operates and will reassess the situation on an ongoing basis.

About Western Atlas

The Company's common shares are listed on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol WA. Western Atlas is focused on the acquisition and development of scalable precious metals projects in premier mining jurisdictions. Western Atlas's wholly-owned subsidiary, 5530 Nunavut Inc., holds its interests in the Meadowbank project located in Nunavut, Canada.

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