



CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Expressed in Canadian dollars)

FOR THE THREE AND SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 AND 2016

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**Notice to Reader:**

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements of Carlin Gold Corporation. (the “Company”) have been prepared by management and reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved and authorized for issue by the Board of Directors of the Company. In accordance with National Instrument 51-102 released by the Canadian Securities Administrators, the Company discloses that its external auditors have not reviewed these condensed interim financial statements, notes to financial statements and the related quarterly Management Discussion and Analysis.



Condensed Consolidated Statements of Financial Position  
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	June 30 2017	December 31 2016
<b>Assets</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 79,712	\$ 236,623
Accounts receivable	2,848	7,935
Available-for-sale investments (Note 4)	170,000	120,000
Prepaid expenses	1,125	7,375
	<b>253,685</b>	<b>371,933</b>
Exploration and evaluation properties (Note 5)	1,709,233	1,704,882
Reclamation bonds	39,746	64,477
	<b>\$ 2,002,664</b>	<b>\$ 2,141,292</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Trade payables and accrued liabilities	\$ 30,882	\$ 36,586
Amounts due to related parties (Note 7)	4,524	59,611
	<b>35,406</b>	<b>96,197</b>
<b>Equity</b>		
Share capital (Note 6)	10,603,291	10,603,291
Reserves - Stock options and warrants (Note 6b)	1,126,222	1,126,222
Reserves - Available-for-sale-investments (Note 4)	170,000	120,000
Deficit	(9,932,255)	(9,804,418)
	<b>1,967,258</b>	<b>2,045,095</b>
	<b>\$ 2,002,664</b>	<b>\$ 2,141,292</b>

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Director

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Director

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.



Condensed Consolidated Statements of Loss and Comprehensive Loss  
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	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	June 30		June 30	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Expenses:				
Accounting and audit	\$ 5,840	\$ 4,860	\$ 10,340	\$ 9,360
Insurance	3,125	3,125	6,250	6,250
Legal fees	2,475	5,355	4,233	5,830
Management and administration fees	30,000	30,000	60,000	60,000
Office	2,482	54	7,739	966
Regulatory fees	(14)	2,033	7,259	7,233
Rent	1,500	1,500	3,000	3,000
Share-based payments	-	-	-	41,736
Technical consulting	9,588	4,344	24,510	11,049
Travel	-	-	895	-
Transfer agent fees	828	457	1,584	1,288
	(55,824)	(51,728)	(125,810)	(146,712)
Foreign exchange gain (loss)	2,093	134	2,459	3,272
Write-off of exploration properties (Note 5d)	(2,765)	-	(4,486)	-
<b>Net (loss) for the period</b>	<b>\$ (56,496)</b>	<b>\$ (51,594)</b>	<b>\$ (127,837)</b>	<b>\$ (143,440)</b>
<b>Items of comprehensive (loss)</b>				
<b>Item that will be recycled to profit or loss:</b>				
Fair value change of available-for-sale investments	30,000	40,000	50,000	40,000
<b>Comprehensive (loss) for the period</b>	<b>\$ (26,496)</b>	<b>\$ (11,594)</b>	<b>\$ (77,837)</b>	<b>\$ (103,440)</b>
(Loss) per share (basic and diluted)	\$ (0.00)	\$ 0.00	\$ (0.00)	\$ (0.00)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	80,414,874	78,939,464	80,414,874	78,939,464

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Equity  
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	Share Capital		Reserves			Deficit	Total Equity
	Number of Shares	Amount	Stock options	Warrants	Available-for-sale investments		
<b>Balance, December 31, 2015</b>	78,939,464	\$ 10,322,637	\$ 826,586	\$ 23,088	\$ 60,000	\$ (9,476,297)	\$ 1,756,014
Share-based payments	-	-	41,736	-	-	-	41,736
Items of comprehensive gain	-	-	-	-	40,000	-	40,000
Net loss for the period	-	-	-	-	-	(143,440)	(143,440)
<b>Balance, June 30, 2016</b>	78,939,464	\$ 10,322,637	\$ 868,322	\$ 23,088	\$ 100,000	\$ (9,619,737)	\$ 1,694,310
Private placement (Note 6)	10,000,000	300,000	-	200,000	-	-	500,000
Less: Share issuance costs	-	(19,346)	-	-	-	-	(19,346)
Share-based payments	-	-	34,812	-	-	-	34,812
Items of comprehensive gain	-	-	-	-	20,000	-	20,000
Net loss for the period	-	-	-	-	-	(184,681)	(184,681)
<b>Balance, December 31, 2016</b>	<b>88,939,464</b>	<b>\$ 10,603,291</b>	<b>\$ 903,134</b>	<b>\$ 223,088</b>	<b>\$ 120,000</b>	<b>\$ (9,804,418)</b>	<b>\$ 2,045,095</b>
Items of comprehensive gain	-	-	-	-	50,000	-	50,000
Net loss for the period	-	-	-	-	-	(127,837)	(127,837)
<b>Balance, June 30, 2017</b>	<b>88,939,464</b>	<b>\$ 10,603,291</b>	<b>\$ 903,134</b>	<b>\$ 223,088</b>	<b>\$ 170,000</b>	<b>\$ (9,932,255)</b>	<b>\$ 1,967,258</b>

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows  
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	2017	2016
<b>Operating Activities:</b>		
Net loss for the period	\$ (127,837)	\$ (143,440)
Items not affecting cash:		
Foreign exchange	-	6,732
Share-based payments	-	41,736
Write-down of exploration and evaluation properties (Note 5d)	4,486	-
Change in non-cash operating working capital:		
Accounts receivable	5,087	2,521
Prepaid expenses	6,250	6,250
Trade payables and accrued liabilities	(5,704)	18,725
Due to related parties (Note 7)	(55,087)	65,714
<b>Cash Used in Operating Activities</b>	<b>(172,805)</b>	<b>(1,762)</b>
<b>Investing Activities:</b>		
Exploration and evaluation property expenditures (Note 5)	(8,837)	(8,026)
Decrease in reclamation bonds	24,731	-
<b>Cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>15,894</b>	<b>(8,026)</b>
<b>Foreign Exchange Effect on Cash</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(6,732)</b>
<b>(Decrease) in cash</b>	<b>(156,911)</b>	<b>(16,520)</b>
<b>Cash, Beginning of Year</b>	<b>236,623</b>	<b>32,338</b>
<b>Cash, End of Period</b>	<b>\$ 79,712</b>	<b>\$ 15,818</b>
Supplemental cash flow information:		
Interest paid	\$ -	\$ -
Income taxes paid	\$ -	\$ -
Trade payables related to exploration properties	\$ -	\$ 8,699

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.



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## 1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND GOING CONCERN

Carlin Gold Corporation (the "Company") is registered under the British Columbia *Business Corporations Act* and trades on the TSX Venture Exchange. The Company is in the business of acquiring, exploring and developing mineral properties in Nevada and Yukon, and has not yet determined whether its properties contain ore reserves that are economically recoverable. The head office and principal address of the Company is situated at Suite 320 – 800 West Pender Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, V6C 2V6.

The Company has not generated any revenue since inception, has never paid dividends and is unlikely to pay dividends or generate earnings in the immediate or foreseeable future. During the six months ended June 30, 2017, the Company incurred a net loss of \$127,837 (2016 - \$143,440) and as at June 30, 2017 the Company has working capital of \$218,279 (December 31, 2016 - \$275,736).

The ability of the Company to continue as a going concern and meet its commitments as they become due, including completion of the acquisition, exploration and development of its mineral property interests, is dependent on the Company's ability to obtain the necessary financing. The Company will require additional capital to finance future operations and growth. If the Company is unable to obtain additional financing, the Company would be unable to continue. There can be no assurance that management's plans will be successful.

The business of mineral exploration involves a high degree of risk and there is no assurance that current exploration projects will result in future profitable mining operations. The Company has no source of revenue, and has significant cash requirements to meet its administrative overhead, pay its liabilities and maintain its mineral interests. The recoverability of amounts shown for exploration and evaluation properties is dependent on several factors. These include the discovery of economically recoverable reserves, the ability of the Company to obtain the necessary financing to complete the exploration and development of these exploration and evaluation properties, and establish future profitable production, or realize proceeds from the disposition of exploration and evaluation properties. The carrying value of the Company's exploration and evaluation properties does not reflect current or future values.

These matters indicate the existence of material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. These Condensed Consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments relating to the recoverability of assets and classification of assets and liabilities that might be necessary should the Company be unable to continue as a going concern. Such adjustments could be material.



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## **2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

### **a) Statement of Compliance**

These condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (“IASB”) applicable to the preparation of interim financial statements, including IAS 34, Interim Financial Reporting. These condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company’s audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2016, which have been prepared in accordance with IFRS issued by the IASB.

These condensed interim financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis. In addition, these condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting, except for cash flow information. They do not include all disclosures that would otherwise be required in a complete set of financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the December 31, 2016 annual financial report.

### **b) Approval of Condensed Consolidated financial statements**

The condensed consolidated financial statements of the Company for the six months ended June 30, 2017 were reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved and authorized for issue by the Board of Directors on August 29, 2017.

These condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its 100% controlled entity, Carlin Gold US Inc. (a Nevada corporation).

Inter-company balances and transactions, including unrealized income and expenses arising from inter-company transactions, are eliminated on consolidation.

### **c) Judgments and estimates**

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Significant estimates where management’s judgment is applied include asset valuation, asset retirement obligations, income taxes, share-based payments and ability to continue as a going concern. Actual results may differ from those estimates and judgements.

## **3. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Company has classified its cash as FVTPL; available-for-sale investments, as AFS; and trade payables and accrued liabilities and amounts due to related parties, as other financial liabilities.

### **Fair value**

The carrying values of trade payables and accrued liabilities, and amounts due to related parties all approximate their fair value due to the short-term nature of these financial instruments.

At June 30, 2017 and 2016, the AFS investment is valued using quoted prices (unadjusted) from an active market (Level 1).





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**3. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)**

The principal risks to which the Company's financial instruments are exposed are described below.

**a) Credit risk**

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Company if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations. The Company is exposed to credit risk on its cash. However, this risk is minimized as all amounts are held with major Canadian and American financial institutions. The Company's concentration of credit risk and maximum exposure thereto is as follows:

	June 30, 2017	December 31, 2016
Cash – Canada	\$ 65,458	\$ 152,692
Cash – USA	14,254	83,931
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 79,712</b>	<b>\$ 236,623</b>

**b) Liquidity risk**

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will be unable to meet its financial obligations as they become due. The Company ensures that there is sufficient capital in order to meet short-term business requirements, after taking into account the Company's holdings of cash. The Company manages its liquidity risk by forecasting cash flows from operations and anticipated investing and financing activities.

The Company is dependent on raising funds through the issuance of shares, obtaining debt financing and/or attracting joint venture partners in order to undertake further exploration and development of its mineral properties and finance office and administrative expenditures. There can be no assurance the Company will be able to raise funds in the future.

The Company has a portfolio of investment securities, which are AFS. The Company may, from time to time, liquidate a portion of its holdings depending on market conditions and the Company's cash requirements. Depending on timing, the Company's ability to liquidate these securities is subject to price fluctuations and market conditions, which may affect the Company's ability to liquidate the securities in a timely manner.

At June 30, 2017, the Company had trade payables and accrued liabilities totaling \$30,882 (December 31, 2016-\$36,586), which are due within one year and amounts due to related parties totaling \$4,524 (December 31, 2016-\$59,611).

**c) Market risk**

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market prices. Market risk comprises three types of risk: interest rate risk, foreign currency risk and other price risk.



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**3. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)**

**(i) Interest rate risk**

The Company is not exposed to significant interest rate risk. The Company's bank accounts earn interest at variable rates. Future cash flows from interest income on cash will be immaterially affected by interest rate fluctuations.

**(ii) Foreign currency risk**

As at June 30, 2017, certain of the Company's financial instruments are held in US dollars. The Company has operations in Nevada, USA. As a result, the Company is exposed to foreign currency risk from fluctuations between the Canadian and US dollar.

The Company does not use derivatives or similar techniques to manage currency risk.

As at June 30, 2017, the Company is exposed to foreign currency risk on \$242,323 USD (2016-\$17,711 USD) cash.

Based on the above, net foreign currency exposure as at June 30, 2017, assuming all other variables remain constant, a 15% (2016 - 15%) weakening or strengthening of the Canadian dollar against the US dollar would result in an insignificant increase/decrease of comprehensive loss for the period.

**(ii) Other price risk**

Other price risk is the risk that the future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market prices, other than those arising from currency risk or interest rate risk. The Company's AFS investments are carried at market value and are, therefore, directly affected by fluctuations in the market value of the underlying securities. The Company's sensitivity analysis suggests that a 40% (2016 - 40%) change in market prices would change other comprehensive income/loss by approximately \$56,000 (2016 - \$48,000).

**4. AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE INVESTMENTS**

At June 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016, the Company owned the following AFS investment:

	June 30, 2017			December 31, 2016		
	Number of Shares	Cost	Fair Value	Number of Shares	Cost	Fair Value
Constantine Metal Resources Ltd.	1,000,000	-	\$170,000	1,000,000	-	\$120,000

Constantine Metal Resources Ltd. ("Constantine") is related to the Company through two common directors (Mr. K. Wayne Livingstone and Mr. Brian Irwin) and a common officer (Mr. Aris Morfopoulos). The Company's investment in Constantine represents an ownership interest of 0.85% at June 30, 2017 (2016 - 0.86%).

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## 5. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION PROPERTIES

The following is a summary of the Company's exploration and evaluation properties:

	Cortez Summit	JDS	Willow	Whisky Canyon	Yukon	Total
<b>Balance, December 31, 2015</b>	\$ 1,654,752	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1,654,756
Acquisition costs	17,918	15,808	19,697	-	4,620	58,043
Geological	32,208	-	42	47	-	32,297
Writedown of exploration and evaluation property	-	(15,808)	(19,739)	(47)	(4,620)	(40,214)
<b>Balance, December 31, 2016</b>	\$ 1,704,878	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1,704,882
Acquisition costs	\$ 1,392	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,392
Geological	2,959	2,613	1,873	-	-	7,445
Writedown of exploration and evaluation property	-	(2,613)	(1,873)	-	-	(4,486)
<b>Balance, June 30, 2017</b>	\$ 1,709,229	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1,709,233

### a) Cortez Summit Property, Nevada USA

The Company owns a 100% interest in claims in the Cortez gold trend in Eureka County, Nevada, which were acquired by staking and are not subject to any royalties.

In November 2016, the Company entered into an Exploration and Earn-In agreement with Barrick Gold Corporation ("Barrick") on the Cortez Summit property. Under the terms of the agreement, Barrick has the right to earn a 70% interest in the property by making expenditures totaling US\$5 million by December 31, 2020, of which US\$500,000 is a firm commitment to be completed by September 1, 2017. Under the terms of the agreement, upon expenditure by Barrick of US\$5 million, a limited liability company will be formed to own the project with membership interests owned 70% by Barrick and 30% by the Company. In addition to its 30% working interest, the Company will retain a 2% net smelter return royalty on future production. As part of the Exploration and Earn-In agreement, Barrick has agreed to purchase 6,000,000 units of the Company at \$0.05 per unit which were issued on November 28, 2016 (Note 7a).

### b) Closure costs

The Company has assessed that it does not have any closure costs at this time.

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## **5. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION PROPERTIES (Continued)**

### **c) Realization of assets**

The investment in and expenditures on exploration and evaluation properties comprise a significant portion of the Company's assets. Realization of the Company's investment in these assets is dependent upon the establishment of legal ownership, the attainment of successful production from the properties or proceeds from their disposal.

Resource exploration and development are highly speculative and contain inherent risks. While the rewards if an ore body is discovered can be substantial, few properties that are explored are ultimately developed into producing mines. There can be no assurance that current exploration programs will result in the discovery of economically viable quantities of ore.

The amounts shown for acquisition costs and deferred exploration expenditures represent costs incurred to date and do not necessarily reflect present or future values. These costs will be depleted over the useful lives of the properties upon commencement of commercial production or written off if the properties are abandoned or the claims allowed to lapse.

### **d) Write-down of exploration and evaluation property costs**

During the six months ended June 30, 2017, the Company incurred costs of \$1,721 (2016 - \$Nil) on exploration properties that have been previously written down for accounting purposes, because they were considered impaired under IFRS, in accordance with Level 3 of fair value hierarchy.

### **e) Environmental**

The Company is subject to the laws and regulations relating to environmental matters in all jurisdictions in which it operates, including provisions relating to property reclamation, discharge of hazardous material and other matters. The Company may also be held liable should environmental problems be discovered that were caused by former owners and operators of its properties and properties in which it has previously had an interest. The Company is not aware of any existing environmental problems related to any of its current or former properties that may result in material liability to the Company.

Environmental legislation is becoming increasingly stringent, and costs and expenses of regulatory compliance are increasing. The impact of new and future environmental legislation on the Company's operations may cause additional expenses and restrictions.

If the restrictions adversely affect the scope of exploration and development on the mineral property interests, the potential for production on the property may be diminished or negated.

### **f) Title to mineral property interests**

Although the Company has taken steps to verify title to its exploration and evaluation properties, in accordance with industry standards for the current stage of exploration of such properties, these procedures do not guarantee the Company's title. Property title may be subject to unregistered prior agreements or transfers and title may be affected by undetected defects.



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**6. SHARE CAPITAL**

**a) Authorized:** unlimited number of common shares without par value

**Issued and outstanding:** 88,939,464 (December 31, 2016 – 88,939,464) common shares

On November 28, 2016, the Company completed a non-brokered private placement of \$500,000, consisting of 10,000,000 units at \$0.05 per unit. Each unit consisted of one common share of the Company and one-half of one transferable share purchase warrant of the Company. Each warrant is exercisable to acquire one common share at an exercise price of \$0.10 for a period of two years from the date of closing. The Company incurred share issuance costs of \$19,346 in connection with the private placement.

**b) Stock options**

The Company has established a share purchase option plan whereby the Board of Directors may, from time to time, grant options to directors, officers, employees or consultants. Options granted must be exercised no later than five years from the date of grant or such lesser period as determined by the Company's Board of Directors. The exercise price of an option is not less than the closing price of the stock on the last trading day preceding the grant date. The maximum number of options to be granted under this plan is 7,893,946.

On February 25, 2016, the Company issued 5,500,000 incentive stock options to directors, which are exercisable for the purchase of 5,500,000 shares of the Company at an exercise price of \$0.05 per share for a period of five years.

A summary of the status of the Company's stock options at June 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016 and changes during the periods then ended are as follows:

	June 30, 2017		December 31, 2016	
	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Outstanding, beginning of year	7,300,000	\$0.07	1,800,000	\$0.13
Granted	-	-	5,500,000	\$0.05
Expired	(1,400,000)	\$0.13	-	-
Outstanding, end of period	5,900,000	\$0.05	7,300,000	\$0.07

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**6. SHARE CAPITAL (Continued)**

**b) Stock options (continued)**

A summary of the Company's stock options as at June 30, 2017 is as follows:

Expiry Date	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Number of Options Outstanding	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life (in years)	Number of Options Exercisable (vested)
July 31, 2017	\$0.125	400,000	0.11	400,000
February 26, 2021	\$0.050	5,500,000	3.65	5,500,000
		5,900,000		7,300,000

A summary of the Company's stock options as at December 31, 2016 is as follows:

Expiry Date	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Number of Options Outstanding	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life (in years)	Number of Options Exercisable (vested)
June 18, 2017	\$0.125	1,400,000	0.46	1,400,000
July 31, 2017	\$0.125	400,000	0.58	400,000
February 26, 2021	\$0.050	5,500,000	4.15	5,500,000
		7,300,000		7,300,000

For the 5,500,000 stock options granted in February 2016, the fair value of each option granted to employees was estimated as at the date of the grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following weighted average assumptions and resulting fair value:

	2016
Risk-free interest rate	0.53%
Expected life of options	5 years
Annualized volatility	114.07%
Dividend rate	0.00%
Grant date fair value	\$ 0.02



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**6. SHARE CAPITAL (Continued)**

**c) Warrants**

A summary of the Company's warrants at June 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016 is as follows:

	March 31, 2017		December 31, 2016	
	Number of warrants	Weighted-average exercise price	Number of warrants	Weighted-average exercise price
Outstanding, beginning of year	26,404,467	\$0.16	21,404,467	\$0.16
Granted	-	-	5,000,000	\$0.10
Outstanding, end of period	26,404,467		26,404,467	

The expiry date of the 21,404,467 warrants exercisable at \$0.16 is July 24, 2017. The expiry date of the 5,000,000 warrants exercisable at \$0.10 is November 8, 2018.

**7. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Key management personnel compensation consists of the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") and the Vice-President of Exploration. Aggregate compensation for the six months ended June 30, 2017 was \$83,954 (2016-\$86,205) for management and other fees, as described below.

The Company paid or accrued a total of \$30,000 (2016-\$30,000) for management and administration services to NS Star Enterprises Ltd., a company controlled by the president, during the six months ended June 30, 2017. The Company paid or accrued a total of \$30,000 for accounting, management and administration services to Morfopoulos Consulting Associates Ltd., a company controlled by the CFO, during the six months ended June 30, 2017 (2016-\$30,000). The Company paid or accrued a total of \$23,954 (2016-\$26,205) to Mr. Robert Thomas, Vice-President of Exploration, for technical consulting and management and administration services during the six months ended June 30, 2017.

As at June 30, 2017, a total of \$4,524 (December 31, 2016-\$63,472) is due to director Mr. Thomas for fees, technical consulting services and expenses incurred on behalf of the Company. This amount is unsecured, without interest or stated terms of repayment.

**8. MANAGEMENT OF CAPITAL**

The Company manages its common shares, stock options and warrants as capital (Note 7). There has been no change in the nature of the Company's capital during the period ended June 30, 2017. The Company's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern in order to pursue the development of its mineral properties and to maintain a flexible capital structure, which optimizes the costs of capital at an acceptable risk. The Company does not have any externally imposed capital restrictions.

The Company manages the capital structure and makes adjustments to it in light of changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Company may attempt to issue new shares, issue debt, or acquire or dispose of assets.



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**8. MANAGEMENT OF CAPITAL** (Continued)

In order to facilitate the management of its capital requirements, the Company prepares expenditure budgets that are updated as necessary depending on various factors, including successful capital deployment and general industry conditions.

**9. SEGMENTED INFORMATION**

The Company has one operating segment: mineral exploration and development. The Company's non-current assets by geographical location are as follows as at the dates shown below:

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		June 30 2017		December 31 2016
Canada	\$	1	\$	1
United States		1,748,938		1,769,328
Total	\$	1,748,939	\$	1,769,329

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
For the six months ended June 30, 2017

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## **Description of Business and Report Date**

The information in this Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") is intended to assist the reader in the understanding and assessment of the trends and significant changes in the results of operations and financial conditions of Carlin Gold Corporation (the "Company" or "Carlin"). This MD&A should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed interim financial statements of the Company, including the notes thereto, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 and the audited financial statements of the Company for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, and MD&A of such financial statements, and other information relating to the Company on file with the Canadian provincial securities regulatory authorities on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com). The Company's audited financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). This MD&A has taken into account information available up to and including August 29, 2017. All monetary units herein are expressed in Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted.

Carlin is an exploration stage company engaged in the identification, evaluation, acquisition and exploration primarily of gold properties in Nevada, USA and Yukon, Canada. The Company is a reporting issuer in British Columbia and Alberta, and trades on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol CGD.

This MD&A contains forward-looking statements. Please refer to the cautionary language at the end of this document.

## **Company Overview and Outlook**

Drilling by Barrick Gold Corporation ("Barrick") commenced on May 31<sup>st</sup> on the Company's Cortez Summit property. As previously announced, the Company entered into an Exploration and Earn-In agreement with Barrick on the Cortez Summit property (the "Property") in November 2016. Under the terms of the agreement, Barrick has the right to earn a 70% interest in the Property by making expenditures totaling US\$5 million by December 31, 2020, of which US\$500,000 is a firm commitment to be completed by September 1, 2017. Under the terms of the agreement, upon expenditure by Barrick of US\$5 million, a limited liability company will be formed to own the Property with membership interests owned 70% by Barrick and 30% by the Company. In addition to its 30% working interest, the Company will retain a 2% net smelter return royalty on future production.

As outlined in the Cortez Summit Property description below, the Company's enthusiasm is supported by the presence of favorable lower plate carbonate rock near the projection of the gold-bearing Fourmile structural corridor, at depths consistent with some of the drill holes in the north portion of Barrick's neighboring Goldrush discovery and the new high grade drill holes at their "Fourmile" target. These geological features open up additional exploration opportunities at Cortez Summit.

The completion of the agreement with Barrick is a positive development for the Company as Barrick's technical team can bring their expertise to bear on the exploration potential of Cortez Summit.

### *A Focus on Nevada Properties*

In addition to Cortez Summit, the Company controls two other properties in Nevada, JDS and Willow, both of which represent Carlin-type gold targets. The Company's Nevada properties are held by direct ownership of unpatented mining claims. In addition to maintaining its existing property portfolio, the Company is also evaluating additional project opportunities.

### *Significant Core Intersection at Cortez Summit Property and Recent Barrick Fourmile Discovery*

The Company completed a core hole at Cortez Summit in 2013 that intersected the stratigraphic section containing similar horizons which host the nearby major Cortez area deposits, which supports the excellent exploration potential of the Property. This potential was further augmented by two high grade holes drilled in 2015 at Barrick's "Fourmile" target north of their Goldrush resource and located adjacent to the Cortez Summit Property. Barrick states that these holes have encountered mineralization "well above the average grade of the indicated and inferred resources at Goldrush", for example 14.3 meters(m) grading 31.7 grams per tonne (gpt) and 5.8m grading 49.6 gpt (Barrick Feb. 22, 2016 news release). Barrick's recent Fourmile success represents a different mineralization style than at Goldrush; although still hosted in similar lower plate stratigraphic units, it is within the contact metamorphic zone adjacent to the Mill Canyon stock. Barrick points out similarities in mineralization style to the Deep Star and Deep Post deposits on the Carlin Trend (Barrick Investor Day webcast presentation, Feb. 22, 2016). The newly encountered high grade mineralization by Barrick within the contact metamorphic zone is a positive development for the Company because this contact zone extends on to the Property and presents an additional, high grade, target type.

Carlin geologists are encouraged that favorable lower plate carbonate rocks are present near the projection of the gold-bearing Fourmile structural corridor, at depths consistent with some of the holes in the north portion of Barrick's neighboring Goldrush discovery and the new high grade drill holes at their Fourmile target. The discovery of these geological features opens up additional exploration opportunities on the Cortez Summit property. Only a small portion of the Property has been evaluated, and the Fourmile structural corridor in particular requires additional exploration.

### **Cortez Summit Exploration Project, Nevada U.S.A.**

The Company's 100% owned Cortez Summit Property is centrally located on the Cortez Trend, in the middle of what has become the most active gold exploration area in Nevada. The Cortez Trend contains a major gold endowment that exceeds 50 million oz. total gold produced, reserves and resources (Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology annual mineral reports, Barrick annual reports). Production in 2016 at Barrick's Cortez district operations was reported to be 1.05 million ounces of gold at an all-in sustaining cost (AISC) of US\$518 per oz (Barrick Q4 2016 Report).

The Cortez Summit property consists of 142 unpatented claims located in the southern Cortez Mountains in Eureka County, Nevada, between the historic Buckhorn and Horse Canyon mines. Cortez Summit is located within 1 kilometer of Barrick's 11.5 million ounce Goldrush resource, of which 9.6 million oz grading 9.6 gpt are reported to be in the measured and indicated category (Barrick 2016 Q4 Report). The property is contiguous with Barrick claims on all sides and on the west boundary adjoins the Fourmile exploration target area described by Barrick in its February 22, 2016 News Release. Barrick has advanced its Goldrush project through the prefeasibility stage, and envisions annual underground production of 450,000 oz at average AISC of US\$660/oz. Barrick contemplates a mine life of 21 years with production beginning as early as 2021. The permitting process is scheduled to commence in 2018 (ref: Barrick news release Feb. 15, 2017), and permits to begin construction of the twin exploration declines have been received (Barrick 2016 Q4 webcast). Barrick's Cortez Hills operation (11 million oz gold pre-production reserve/resource) lies 4.0 miles (6.4 km) west of the Property. Plans are underway to expand underground mining at Cortez Hills into the Deep South area, which is below the currently permitted mining activity (Barrick news release Feb. 15, 2017).

Carlin's primary target is Carlin-style mineralization in a structural and stratigraphic setting in Paleozoic sedimentary rocks similar to that at the nearby Goldrush resource. Much of this target is blind, being covered by Miocene-age post-mineral basaltic andesite and interlayered gravels. The Fourmile structural zone trends for 1,370 m (4,500 ft.) within the southwestern part of the Property, and extends an additional 6.5 kilometers

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(4 miles) on Barrick property to the north. Barrick geologists have mapped a pattern of surface alteration and geochemical anomalies associated with this structural zone (Barrick 2016 Q4 webcast). At Cortez Summit, Carlin geologists encounter a similar alteration and geochemistry pattern in limited upper plate rock exposures along the Fourmile structural zone on the west edge of the Property. This pattern is concealed to the east by post-mineral Miocene gravels and basalts, in the vicinity of Barrick's initial core hole. The Fourmile structural zone represents a high-quality target for classic Carlin-style mineralization where it intersects the favorable carbonate stratigraphy. Additional prospective northwest-trending structural zones are located parallel and east of the Fourmile zone. Carlin geologists are encouraged by the exploration opportunity represented by these geological targets.

In August/September 2012 the Company completed an initial drill program on the southwest portion of the Property. The program consisted of seven vertical reverse circulation drill holes totaling 3,573 m (11,720 ft.) ranging in depth between 450 and 550 m (1500 and 1800 ft.). Drilling confirmed Carlin-type geology, alteration and geochemistry in the limited area tested in upper plate rocks but did not test lower plate stratigraphy. This drilling did encounter the contact metamorphic effects of the Mill Creek stock. This area at depth is interpreted to represent a Carlin-type target similar to Barrick's "Fourmile" target.

The Company has also evaluated existing ground and airborne geophysical survey data which has been helpful in better defining the Fourmile structural zone and identifying several other minor structures on the Property.

In 2013, in order to explore for the deeper part of the stratigraphy which hosts mineralization at the Goldrush deposit, Carlin re-entered reverse circulation drill hole CS-12-2 with a core drill rig. This hole, CS12-2C, deepened from 536 m (1,760 ft) to 1,229 m (4,032 ft.), encountered 114 m (373 ft.) of lower plate carbonate rocks below the Roberts Mountain Thrust. Carlin-type alteration features include decalcification, clay alteration and calcite veining.

Core hole CS12-2C intersected the stratigraphic section which contains gold-bearing horizons of the nearby major Cortez area deposits, establishing the excellent exploration potential at Cortez Summit. The potential was augmented by two high grade drill holes at Barrick's "Fourmile" target, north of their Goldrush resource and located adjacent to the Cortez Summit Property. Barrick states that these holes have encountered mineralization "well above the average grade of the indicated and inferred resources at Goldrush", for example 14.3 meters(m) grading 31.7 grams per tonne (gpt) and 5.8m grading 49.6 gpt (Barrick Feb. 22, 2016 news release). Mineralization at "Fourmile" is a different style than at Goldrush; it is contained in similar lower plate units, but within the contact metamorphic zone adjacent to the Mill Canyon stock. Barrick points out similarities in mineralization style to the Deep Star and Deep Post mines on the Carlin Trend, two high grade underground operations. This is a positive development for the Company because it represents a high grade deposit type to target at the Cortez Summit Property. The six westernmost reverse circulation holes drilled by Carlin at Cortez Summit have encountered contact metamorphic alteration interpreted to be related to the Mill Canyon stock. Barrick's initial Fourmile target area success means that, in addition to the classic, Carlin-type replacement style mineralization style displayed at Goldrush, the Property also has excellent potential for higher grade mineralization in calc-silicate altered rocks within the metamorphic aureole of the Mill Canyon stock.

Barrick embarked on their exploration evaluation program in Q1. The Company's exploration permit with the Bureau of Land Management has been transferred to Barrick according to the joint venture agreement terms. Barrick commenced drilling May 3, 2017 in the vicinity of Carlin's shallow holes drilled into the upper plate in 2012. Barrick's hole, SJV17-1, is located along the Fourmile structural corridor. This initial vertical hole was completed on July 31, 2017 to a depth of 5,171 ft. The hole encountered the favorable lower plate carbonate section at a depth of 4,233 ft. Assay results are not yet available.

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### Results of Operations

In the six month period ended June 30, 2017, the Company incurred net expenditures of \$8,837 (2016-\$16,275) on exploration properties.

The Company's consolidated net loss for the six months June 30, 2017 was \$127,837 (2016-\$143,440), which includes \$4,486 in exploration property writedowns (2016-\$Nil). The Company's \$125,810 in operating costs for the six months ended June 30, 2017 continued to remain low and were consistent with the previous year (2016-\$104,976). The Company does not foresee a significant increase to quarterly operating costs for remainder of the current year.

### Summary of Quarterly Results

The following is a summary of certain consolidated financial information concerning the Company for each of the last eight quarters:

<i>Fiscal Quarter ended</i>	<b>June 30 2017</b>	March 31 2017	December 31 2016	September 30 2016
Net income (loss)	\$ (56,496)	\$ (71,341)	\$ (92,458)	\$ (92,224)
Net income (loss) per share	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)
Total Assets	<b>2,002,664</b>	2,021,612	2,141,292	1,884,232

<i>Fiscal Quarter ended</i>	June 30 2016	March 31 2016	December 31 2015	September 30 2015
Net income (loss)	\$ (51,594)	\$ (91,845)	\$ (79,116)	\$ 57,277
Net income (loss) per share	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)
Total Assets	1,860,557	1,817,255	1,829,123	1,904,750

In the three months ended June 30, 2017, the Company incurred net expenditures of \$7,116 (2016-\$8,297) on exploration properties.

A net loss of \$54,496 was recorded for the three months ended June 30, 2016 (2016-\$51,594). For the three months ended June 30, 2016, the Company's operating expenses, were \$55,824 (2016-\$51,728). The Company's overhead costs remained at approximately the current level for the past year, and are not projected to increase for the balance of this year.

### Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources

The Company's cash position at June 30, 2017, was \$79,712 (December 31, 2016-\$236,623). The Company's working capital at June 30, 2017 was \$218,279 (December 31, 2016-\$275,736).

At June 30, 2017, current assets excluding cash consisted of accounts receivable, prepaid expenses, and available-for-sale securities which totaled \$173,973 (December 31, 2016-\$371,933). The Company's \$170,000 (December 31, 2016-\$120,000) in available-for-sale securities represent a significant portion of the Company's working capital. The value of this investment is subject to market fluctuations and is therefore highly variable.

At June 30, 2017, the Company had \$35,406 (December 31, 2016-\$96,917) in current liabilities, of which \$4,524 (December 31, 2016-\$59,611) was due to related parties.

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The Company is not in commercial production on any of its exploration and evaluation properties and accordingly, it does not generate cash from operations. The Company is dependent on raising funds through the issuance of shares, obtaining debt financing and/or attracting joint venture partners in order to undertake further exploration and development of its exploration and evaluation properties. There can, however, be no assurance the Company will be able to raise funds in the near future, in which case management may delay future exploration activities until funds become available.

### Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

The Company has not entered into any off-balance sheet financing arrangements.

### Proposed Transactions

There are no proposed transactions as of the date of this MD&A.

### Transactions with Related Parties

Key management personnel compensation consists of the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") and the Vice-President of Exploration. Aggregate compensation for the six months ended June 30, 2017 was \$83,954 (2016-\$86,205) for management and other fees, as described below.

The Company paid or accrued a total of \$30,000 (2016-\$30,000) for management and administration services to NS Star Enterprises Ltd., a company controlled by the president, during the six months ended June 30, 2017. The Company paid or accrued a total of \$30,000 for accounting, management and administration services to Morfopoulos Consulting Associates Ltd., a company controlled by the CFO, during the six months ended June 30, 2017 (2016-\$30,000). The Company paid or accrued a total of \$23,954 (2016-\$26,205) to Mr. Robert Thomas, Vice-President of Exploration, for technical consulting and management and administration services during the six months ended June 30, 2017.

As at June 30, 2017, a total of \$4,524 (December 31, 2016-\$63,472) is due to director Mr. Thomas for fees, technical consulting services and expenses incurred on behalf of the Company. This amount is unsecured, without interest or stated terms of repayment.

### Outstanding Share Data

Carlin's authorized capital is an unlimited number of common shares without par value.

As at June 30, 2017 and as of the date of this report, the Company has 88,939,464 common shares outstanding.

The Company's outstanding stock options as at June 30, 2017 were as follows:

	Number	Exercise Price Weighted Average	Expiry Date
Issued in 2016	5,500,000	\$0.05	February 26, 2021
Issued in 2012	1,400,000	\$0.125	June 18, 2017
Issued in 2012	400,000	\$0.125	July 31, 2017
	7,300,000		

As of the date of this report, the Company's stock options outstanding are 5,500,000 options.



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The Company's outstanding warrants as at June 30, 2017 were:

	June 30, 2017		December 31, 2016	
	Number of warrants	Weighted-average exercise price	Number of warrants	Weighted-average exercise price
Outstanding, beginning of year	26,404,467	\$0.16	21,404,467	\$0.16
Granted	-	-	5,000,000	\$0.10
Outstanding, end of period	26,404,467		26,404,467	

As of the date of this report, the Company's warrants outstanding are 5,000,000 warrants.

### Management of Capital

The Company manages its cash, common shares and stock options as capital. The Company's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern in order to pursue the development of its mineral properties and to maintain a flexible capital structure which optimizes the costs of capital at an acceptable risk. The Company does not have any externally imposed capital requirements to which it is subject.

The Company manages the capital structure and makes adjustments to it in light of changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Company may attempt to issue new shares, issue debt, acquire or dispose of assets or adjust the amount of cash and cash equivalents.

In order to facilitate the management of its capital requirements, the Company prepares expenditure budgets that are updated as necessary depending on various factors, including successful capital deployment and general industry conditions.

In order to maximize ongoing exploration efforts, the Company does not pay out dividends. The Company's investment policy is to keep its cash treasury on deposit in an interest bearing Canadian chartered bank account.

### Use of Judgments and Estimates

The preparation of consolidated financial statements requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances and which form the basis of making judgments about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimate is revised, if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

Significant assumptions about the future and other sources of estimation uncertainty that management has made that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the event that actual results differ from assumptions made, relate to, but are not limited to, the following:

### *Critical accounting estimates*

Critical accounting estimates are estimates and assumptions made by management that may result in a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities within the next financial year and include, but are not limited to, the following:

#### Share-based payments

The fair value of share-based payments is subject to the limitations of the Black-Scholes option pricing model that incorporates market data and involves uncertainty in estimates used by management in the assumptions. Because the Black-Scholes option pricing model requires the input of highly subjective assumptions, including the volatility of share prices, changes in subjective input assumptions can materially affect the fair value estimate.

### *Critical Accounting Judgments*

Information about critical judgments in applying accounting policies that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognized in the consolidated financial statements include, but are not limited to, the following:

#### Going concern

The assessment of the Company's ability to continue as a going concern and to raise sufficient funds to pay its ongoing operating expenditures, meet its liabilities for the ensuing year, and to fund planned and contractual exploration programs involves significant judgment based on historical experience and other factors, including expectation of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

#### Recovery of deferred tax assets

The Company estimates the expected manner and timing of the realization or settlement of the carrying value of its assets and liabilities and applies the tax rates that are enacted or substantively enacted on the estimated dates of realization or settlement.

#### Functional currency

The Company applied judgment in determining its functional currency and the functional currency of its subsidiary. Functional currency was determined based on the currency in which funds are sourced and the degree of dependence by the subsidiary on the Company for financial support.

#### Exploration and evaluation properties

Management is required to make judgments on the status of each mineral property and the future plans with respect to finding commercial reserves. The nature of exploration and evaluation activity is such that only a few projects are ultimately successful and some assets are likely to become impaired in future periods.

Assets or cash-generating units are evaluated at each reporting date to determine whether there are any indicators of impairments. The Company considers both internal and external sources of information when making the assessment of whether there are indications of impairment for the Company's exploration and evaluation properties.



Management uses several criteria in its assessments of economic recoverability and probability of future economic benefit including geologic and metallurgic information, economic assessments/studies, accessible facilities and existing permits.

## **Financial Instruments**

### *Financial Assets*

The Company classifies its financial assets in the following categories: held-to-maturity, fair value through profit or loss, loans and receivables, and AFS. The classification depends on the purpose for which the financial assets were acquired. Management determines the classification of financial assets at recognition.

### *Held-to-maturity*

Held-to-maturity financial assets are recognized on a trade-date basis and are initially measured at fair value using the effective interest rate method. The Company has no assets classified as held-to-maturity.

### *Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss*

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are initially recognized at fair value with changes in fair value recorded through profit or loss. Cash is included in this category of financial assets.

### *Loans and receivables*

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They are classified as current assets or non-current assets based on their maturity date. Loans and receivables are carried at amortized cost less any impairment. Loans and receivables comprise accounts receivable.

### *Available-for-sale ("AFS") financial assets*

AFS financial assets are non-derivatives that are either designated as available-for-sale or not classified in any of the other financial asset categories. Changes in the fair value of AFS financial assets are recognized as other comprehensive income/loss and classified as a component of equity. AFS assets include investments in marketable securities.

Management assesses the carrying value of AFS financial assets at least annually and any impairment charges are also recognized in profit or loss. When financial assets classified as AFS are sold, the accumulated fair value adjustments recognized in other comprehensive income/loss are included in profit and loss.

### *Financial Liabilities*

The Company classifies its financial liabilities in the following categories:

### *Borrowings and other financial liabilities*

Borrowings and other financial liabilities are non-derivatives and are recognized initially at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred, and are subsequently stated at amortized cost. Any difference between the amounts originally received, net of transaction costs, and the redemption value is recognized in the statement of loss over the period to maturity using the effective interest method.

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Borrowings and other financial liabilities are classified as current or non-current based on their maturity date. Financial liabilities include trade payables and accrued liabilities and amounts due to related parties.

**Risk Factors**

Companies operating in the mining industry face many and varied kind of risks. Following are the risk factors most applicable to the Company.

*Liquidity risk*

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company cannot meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Company's approach to managing liquidity risk is to ensure that it will have sufficient liquidity to meet liabilities when due. As at June 30, 2017, the Company had a cash balance of \$79,712 (December 31, 2016-\$236,623) to settle current liabilities of \$35,406 (December 31, 2016-\$96,197). All of the Company's financial liabilities have maturities of 30 days or are due on demand and are subject to normal trade terms.

The Company is dependent on raising funds through the issuance of shares, obtaining debt financing and/or attracting joint venture partners in order to undertake further exploration and development of its mineral properties and finance office and administrative expenditures. There can be no assurance the Company will be able to raise funds in the future.

*Credit risk*

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Company if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations. The Company is exposed to credit risk on its cash. However, this risk is minimized as all amounts are held with major Canadian and American financial institutions. The Company's concentration of credit risk and maximum exposure thereto is as follows:

	June 30, 2017	December 31, 2016
Cash – Canada	\$ 65,458	\$ 152,692
Cash – USA	14,254	83,931
Total	<b>\$79,712</b>	<b>\$ 236,623</b>

*Market risk*

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market prices. Market risk comprises three types of risk: interest rate risk, foreign currency risk and other price risk.

**(i) Interest rate risk**

The Company is not exposed to significant interest rate risk. The Company's bank accounts earn interest at variable rates. Future cash flows from interest income on cash will be affected by interest rate fluctuations.

**(ii) Foreign currency risk**

As at June 30, 2017, certain of the Company's financial instruments are held in foreign currencies,

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primarily the US dollar. The Company has operations in Nevada, USA. As a result, the Company is exposed to foreign currency risk from fluctuations between the Canadian and US dollars. The Company does not use derivatives or similar techniques to manage currency risk.

As at June 30, 2017, the Company is exposed to foreign currency risk on \$24,323 USD (2016-\$948 USD) cash.

Based on the above, net foreign currency exposure as at June 30, 2017, assuming all other variables remain constant, a 15% (2016-15%) weakening or strengthening of the Canadian dollar against the US dollar would result in an insignificant increase/decrease of comprehensive loss for the period.

**(iii) Other price risk**

Other price risk is the risk that the future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market prices, other than those arising from currency risk or interest rate risk. The Company's AFS investments are carried at market value and are, therefore, directly affected by fluctuations in the market value of the underlying securities. The Company's sensitivity analysis suggests that a 40% (2016-40%) change in market prices would change other comprehensive income/loss by approximately \$68,000 (2016-\$40,000).

*Industry*

Exploring and developing mineral resource projects bears a high potential for a variety of risks. Additionally, few exploration projects successfully achieve development due to factors that cannot be predicted or foreseen. Moreover, even one such factor may result in the economic viability of a project being detrimentally impacted such that it is not feasible or practical to proceed.

Although the Company has taken steps to verify the title to exploration and evaluation properties in which it has an interest, in accordance with industry standards for the current stage of exploration of such properties, these procedures do not guarantee the Company's title. Property title may be subject to unregistered prior agreements or transfers and title may be affected by undetected defects.

*Metal Prices*

The principal activity of the Company is the exploration and development of gold resource properties. The feasible development of such properties is highly dependent upon the price of gold. A sustained and substantial decline in commodity gold prices could result in the write-down, termination of exploration and development work or loss of its interests in identified resource properties. Although such prices cannot be forecasted with certainty, the Company carefully monitors factors which could affect gold commodity prices in order to assess the feasibility of its resource projects.

*Political Risk*

The resource properties on which the Company is pursuing its exploration and development activities are located in Nevada, U.S.A. and Yukon, Canada. While the political climate is considered by the Company to be stable, there can be no assurances that this will continue indefinitely. To alleviate such risk, the Company funds its Nevada operations on an as-needed basis. The Company does not presently maintain political risk insurance for its U.S. exploration projects.

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### *Environmental*

Exploration and development projects are subject to the environmental laws and regulations of the country within which the Company is conducting its operations. As such laws are subject to change, the Company carefully monitors proposed and potential changes and management believes the Company remains in compliance with current environmental regulations in the relevant jurisdictions.

### **Changes in Accounting Policies**

There were no changes to the Company's accounting policies during the year ended June 30, 2017.

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

Some of the statements in this MD&A constitute "forward looking statements". Where Carlin expresses an expectation or belief as to future events or results, including management plans and objectives, and projections of exploration results, such expectation or belief is expressed in good faith and is believed to have a reasonable basis. The Company makes no representation that reasonable business people in possession of the same information would reach the same conclusions. While these statements represent management's best current judgment, they are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to vary, the specifics of which are detailed in disclosures with the heading "Risk Factors" in the Company's periodic filings with securities regulators. Although the Company has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual actions, events or results to differ materially from those described in forward-looking statements, there may be other factors that cause actions, events or results not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended. There can be no assurance that forward-looking statements will prove to be accurate, as actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements in this MD&A are made as of the date of this MD&A or, in the case of documents incorporated by reference herein, as of the date of such documents, and Carlin does not assume the obligation to update any forward looking statement.

### **Approval**

Mr. Robert Thomas, a director of the Company and a Qualified Person in compliance National Instrument 43-101, has reviewed and approved the technical information contained in this report.

The Board of Directors of the Company has approved the disclosure contained in this MD&A. A copy of this MD&A will be provided to anyone who requests it.

### **Additional Information**

Additional disclosures pertaining to the Company's technical reports, management information circulars, material change reports, press releases and other information are available on the SEDAR website at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).