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**ALMADEN ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF
VICE PRESIDENT OF CORPORATE DEVELOPMENT**

Almaden Minerals Ltd. ("Almaden" or "the Company"; AMM: TSX; AAU: NYSE MKT) is pleased to report that Mr. Doug McDonald has been appointed Vice President of Corporate Development for Almaden. Mr. McDonald will work with Almaden's growing team to lead the Company's global corporate development activities, including institutional shareholder relations, capital market strategy and corporate development opportunities.

Mr. McDonald brings 18 years of investment banking, corporate merger and acquisition, venture capital, foreign trade and resource policy experience to Almaden. Prior to this appointment, Mr. McDonald served as Vice President of Investment Banking for Salman Partners Inc., and in that capacity advised senior management teams on numerous mergers and acquisitions and has been lead banker on many corporate finance transactions.

Dr. Morgan Poliquin, President of Almaden, states: "We are extremely pleased to have Doug join the Almaden team. His experience in the capital markets will be invaluable and comes at a time when the Company anticipates significant growth. Doug's background in investment banking and corporate mergers and acquisitions will complement the Company's strong technical skills and increases our ability to translate this growth to the markets. Almaden is currently focused on building a team that can advance the Company and the Ixtaca project and Doug will play a key role in this growth."

Morgan Poliquin, Ph.D., P.Eng. the President and CEO of Almaden and a qualified person under the meaning of NI 43-101, reviewed the technical information in this release. To find out more about Almaden Minerals Ltd., please visit our website at www.almadenminerals.com.

About Almaden

Almaden is a well-financed mineral exploration company working in North America. The company is actively developing its 100% owned Ixtaca gold-silver deposit in Mexico. The Company has assembled mineral exploration projects in Canada, the United States and Mexico, including the Ixtaca deposit through its past grass roots exploration efforts. Uniquely, the Company has pioneered a new geologic and mineral district in Eastern Mexico through conceptual science-driven exploration. This resulted in the acquisition through staking of a portfolio of early stage exploration properties, each of which represent exiting opportunities for the potential discovery of significant gold, silver and copper deposits as evidenced at Ixtaca. Since going public in 1986, Almaden's business model has been to find, acquire and develop mineral projects in partnership with which limits share dilution. The company has expanded this business model, described by some as prospect generation, by more aggressively advancing and developing its projects towards production, including the Ixtaca deposit.

On Behalf of the Board of Directors

"Morgan Poliquin"

Morgan J. Poliquin, Ph.D., P.Eng.
President, CEO and Director
Almaden Minerals Ltd.

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