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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

2 March 2026

RECOMMENDED CASH ACQUISITION
of
SolGold plc ("SolGold")
by
Jiangxi Copper (Hong Kong) Investment Company Limited ("JCHK")

to be implemented by means of a scheme of arrangement
under Part 26 of the Companies Act 2006

COURT SANCTION OF SCHEME OF ARRANGEMENT

On 24 December 2025, the boards of directors of SolGold and JCHK, for and on behalf of Jiangxi Copper Company Limited ("JCC"), announced that they had reached agreement on the terms of a recommended cash offer to be made by JCHK to acquire the entire issued and to be issued share capital of SolGold (the "**Acquisition**"). The Acquisition is being implemented by way of a court-sanctioned scheme of arrangement under Part 26 of the Companies Act (the "**Scheme**"). The scheme document in connection with the Acquisition was published on 21 January 2026 (the "**Scheme Document**").

On 23 February 2026, the Scheme was approved by the requisite majorities of Scheme Shareholders at the Court Meeting and the Special Resolution to implement the Scheme was approved by the requisite majority of SolGold Shareholders at the General Meeting.

SolGold is pleased to announce that the High Court of Justice of England and Wales has today made an order sanctioning the Scheme under section 899 of the Companies Act 2006 pursuant to which the Acquisition is being implemented.

Next steps

SolGold confirms that the Scheme Record Time for the Scheme will be 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday 3 March 2026. Scheme Shareholders on the SolGold register at the Scheme Record Time will, upon the Scheme becoming effective in accordance with its terms, be entitled to receive consideration as provided for in the Scheme Document.

It is anticipated that the Effective Date of the Scheme will be Wednesday 4 March 2026, when a copy of the Court Order is delivered to the Registrar of Companies. There has been no change to the expected timetable of principal events relating to the Scheme that was set out in the appendix to the announcement dated 23 February 2026.

The last day of dealings in, and for registration of transfers of, and disablement in CREST of, SolGold Shares, is expected to be 3 March 2026, and trading in SolGold Shares will be suspended on the Main Market of the London Stock Exchange with effect from the commencement of trading on 4 March 2026.

Applications have been made to the FCA and the London Stock Exchange in relation to the cancellation of the listing of SolGold Shares on the Official List and cancellation of the admission to trading of SolGold Shares on the London Stock Exchange's main market for listed securities ("**Main Market**"), which are each expected to take place at 7:00 a.m. on 5 March 2026.

Further announcements will be made when the Scheme becomes Effective and when the admission to trading of SolGold Shares has been cancelled on the Main Market of the London Stock Exchange.

For further information you are invited to visit the Company's website <https://solgold.com/>.

Capitalised terms used in this announcement shall, unless otherwise defined, have the same meanings as set out in the Scheme Document. All references to times in this announcement are to London, United Kingdom times unless stated otherwise.

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The release, publication or distribution of this announcement and any documentation relating to the Acquisition in or into or from jurisdictions other than the UK may be restricted by law and therefore any persons who are subject to the law of any jurisdiction other than the UK should inform themselves about, and observe, any applicable legal or regulatory requirements. In particular, the ability of persons who are not resident in the UK to vote their SolGold Shares with respect to the Scheme at the Court Meeting or the General Meeting, or to appoint another person as proxy may be affected by the laws of the relevant jurisdictions in which they are located. Any failure to comply with the applicable restrictions may constitute a violation of the securities laws of any such jurisdiction. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, the companies and persons involved in the Acquisition disclaim any responsibility or liability for the violation of such restrictions by any person.

This announcement and any documentation relating to the Acquisition have been prepared for the purposes of complying with English law and the Takeover Code, and the information disclosed may not be the same as that which would have been disclosed if this announcement had been prepared in accordance with the laws of jurisdictions outside of England and Wales. Overseas Shareholders should consult their own legal and tax advisers with regard to the legal and tax consequences of the Scheme for their particular circumstances.

Unless otherwise determined by JCHK or required by the Takeover Code, and permitted by applicable law and regulation, no person may vote in favour of the Acquisition by any use, means, instrumentality or from within a Restricted Jurisdiction or any other jurisdiction if to do so would constitute a violation of the laws of that jurisdiction. Accordingly, copies of this announcement and all documents relating to the Acquisition are not being, and must not be, directly or indirectly, mailed or otherwise forwarded, distributed or sent in, into or from a Restricted Jurisdiction, and persons receiving this announcement and all documents relating to the Acquisition (including custodians, nominees and trustees) must not mail or otherwise distribute or send them in, into or from such jurisdictions where to do so would violate the laws in that jurisdiction.

Further details in relation to Overseas Shareholders are included in paragraph 13 of Part II (Explanatory Statement) of the Scheme Document.

Notice to US Investors

The Acquisition relates to the shares of a company registered under the laws of England and Wales and is proposed to be made by way of a scheme of arrangement provided for under Part 26 of the Companies Act. This announcement and certain other documents relating to the Acquisition have been or will be prepared in accordance with English law, the Takeover Code and UK disclosure requirements, format and style, all of which differ from those in the United States. The Acquisition, implemented by way of a scheme of arrangement, is not subject to the tender offer rules or the proxy solicitation rules under the US Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "**US Exchange Act**"). Accordingly, the Acquisition is subject to the procedural and disclosure requirements of and practices applicable in the UK to a scheme of arrangement involving a target company in England with its securities admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange, which differ from the procedural and disclosure requirements of US tender offer and proxy solicitation rules. If, in the future, JCHK exercises its right to implement the Acquisition by way of a Takeover Offer and determines to extend the Takeover Offer into the United States, the Takeover Offer will be made in compliance with applicable US laws and regulations including without limitation and to the extent applicable, under Section 14(e) of the US Exchange Act and Regulation 14E thereunder.

The financial information that is included in this announcement, or any other documents relating to the Acquisition, has been or will be prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards or other reporting standards or accounting practice applicable in the United Kingdom and thus may not be comparable to financial information of US companies or companies whose financial statements are prepared in accordance with US generally accepted accounting principles. None of the financial information in this announcement has been audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States.

It may be difficult for US SolGold Shareholders to enforce their rights and any claim arising out of the US federal securities laws or the laws of any state or other jurisdiction in the United States in connection with the Acquisition, because SolGold is located in a non-US country, and some or all of its officers and directors may be residents of a non-US country. US SolGold Shareholders may not be able to sue a non-US company or its officers or directors in a non-US court for violations of the US federal securities laws or the laws of any state or other jurisdictions in the United States. Further, it may be difficult to compel a non-US company and its affiliates to subject themselves to a US court's jurisdiction or judgment.

US SolGold Shareholders also should be aware that the Acquisition may have tax consequences in the United States and that such consequences, if any, are not described herein. The receipt of cash by a US holder of SolGold Shares as consideration for the transfer of its Scheme Shares pursuant to the Scheme may be a taxable transaction for US federal income tax purposes and under applicable US state and local, as well as foreign and other, tax laws.

US SolGold Shareholders are urged to consult with legal, tax and financial advisers in connection with making a decision regarding the Acquisition.

Notice to SolGold Shareholders in Australia

To the extent that this announcement is received by a SolGold Shareholder in Australia, it is provided in reliance upon ASIC Corporations (Unsolicited Offers-Foreign Bids) Instrument 2015/1070.

Notice to SolGold Shareholders in Canada ("Canadian Shareholders")

The Acquisition relates to the shares of a company registered under the laws of England and Wales with its securities admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange, and is proposed to be made by way of a scheme of arrangement provided for under Part 26 of the Companies Act.

The Acquisition contemplated herein has not been approved or disapproved by any Canadian securities regulatory authority nor has any Canadian securities regulatory authority passed upon the fairness or merits of the Acquisition or upon the accuracy or adequacy of the information contained in this announcement. Any representation to the contrary is unlawful.

SolGold is a reporting issuer in the Canadian provinces of British Columbia, Alberta, Ontario, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland and Labrador. On 3 December 2025, SolGold obtained discretionary exemptive relief from the Ontario Securities Commission (the "OSC"), as principal regulator of SolGold, on behalf of itself and the other applicable securities regulators in Canada, relieving it from certain continuous disclosure requirements under Canadian securities laws provided that, among other things, it files on SEDAR+, makes publicly available or provides to its securityholders in Canada the continuous disclosure materials that it is required to file, make publicly available or provide to its securityholders pursuant to the applicable disclosure requirements in the United Kingdom. Accordingly, this announcement and certain other documents relating to the Acquisition have been or will be prepared in accordance with English law the Takeover Code and UK disclosure requirements, all of which differ from the requirements applicable to a transaction conducted under Canadian corporate and securities laws.

The enforcement by investors of civil liabilities under Canadian securities laws may be affected adversely by the fact that SolGold is incorporated or organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than Canada, that some or all of SolGold's officers and directors are and will be residents of countries other than Canada, and that all or a substantial portion of the assets of SolGold and such persons are and will be located outside Canada. As a result, it may be difficult or impossible for Canadian Shareholders to effect service of process within Canada upon SolGold and SolGold's respective officers or directors or the experts named herein, or to realise against them upon judgments of courts of Canada predicated upon liabilities under Canadian securities laws. In addition, Canadian Shareholders should not assume that the courts of England and Wales: (a) would enforce judgments of Canadian courts obtained in actions against such persons predicated upon civil liabilities under Canadian securities laws; or (b) would enforce, in original actions, liabilities against such persons predicated upon civil liabilities under the Canadian securities laws.

Canadian Shareholders should be aware that the Acquisition may have tax consequences in Canada and that such consequences, if any, are not described herein. The receipt of cash by a Canadian Shareholder as consideration for the transfer of its Scheme Shares pursuant to the Scheme may be a taxable transaction for Canadian federal and provincial income tax purposes. Canadian Shareholders are urged to consult with legal, tax and financial advisers in connection with making a decision regarding the Acquisition.

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This announcement (including any information incorporated by reference in this announcement), oral statements made regarding the Acquisition, and other information published by JCC, JCHK or SolGold contain statements which are, or may be deemed to be, "forward-looking statements" with respect to JCC, JCHK, SolGold and the Enlarged JCC Group. These forward-looking statements can be identified by the fact that they do not relate only to historical or current facts. Forward-looking statements often use words such as "anticipate", "target", "expect", "estimate", "intend", "plan", "goal", "believe", "aim", "will", "may", "would", "could" or "should" or other words of similar meaning or the negative thereof. Forward-looking statements include statements relating to the following: (i) future capital expenditures, expenses, revenues, economic performance, synergies, financial conditions, market growth, dividend policy, losses and future prospects; (ii) business and management strategies and the expansion and growth of the operations of the JCC Group or the SolGold Group; and (iii) the effects of government regulation on the business of the JCC Group or the SolGold Group. There are many factors which could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in forward-looking statements. Among such factors are the satisfaction (or, where permitted, waiver) of the Conditions as well as additional factors, such as domestic and global business and economic conditions; the impact of pandemics, asset prices; market-related risks such as fluctuations in interest rates and exchange rates, industry trends, competition, changes in government and regulation, changes in the policies and actions of governments and/or regulatory authorities (including changes related to capital and tax), changes in political and economic stability (including exposures to terrorist activities, Eurozone instability, the Russia-Ukraine conflict), disruption in business operations due to reorganisation activities, interest rates, inflation, deflation and currency fluctuations, the timing impact and other uncertainties of future or planned acquisitions or disposals or offers, the inability of the Enlarged JCC Group to realise successfully any anticipated synergy benefits when the Acquisition is implemented (including changes to the board and/or employee composition of the Enlarged JCC Group), the inability of the JCC Group to integrate successfully the SolGold Group's operations and programmes when the Acquisition is implemented, the Enlarged JCC Group incurring and/or experiencing unanticipated costs and/or delays (including IT system failures, cyber-crime, fraud and pension scheme liabilities), or difficulties relating to the Acquisition when the Acquisition is implemented. Other unknown or unpredictable factors could affect future operations and/or cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements should therefore be construed in the light of such factors.

These forward-looking statements are based on numerous assumptions regarding the present and future business strategies of such persons and the environment in which each will operate in the future. By their nature, these forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties (and other factors that are in many cases beyond the control of SolGold, JCC and/or JCHK) because they relate to events and depend on circumstances that will occur in the future. The factors described in the context of such forward-looking statements in this announcement may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of any such person, or industry results and developments, to be materially different from any results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. No assurance can be given that such expectations will prove to have been correct and persons reading this announcement are therefore cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements which speak only as at the date of this announcement. None of the JCC Group nor SolGold Group, nor any of their respective associates or directors, officers or advisers, provide any representation, warranty, assurance or guarantee that the occurrence of the events expressed or implied in any forward-looking statements in this announcement will actually occur. All subsequent oral or written forward-looking statements attributable to JCC, JCHK or SolGold or any persons acting on their behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements contained or referred to in this section. Other than in accordance with their legal or regulatory obligations (including under the Takeover Code, MAR and the UK Listing Rules), neither of JCC, JCHK nor SolGold is under or undertakes any obligation, and each of the foregoing expressly disclaims any intention or obligation, to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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exchange offeror is first identified. An Opening Position Disclosure must contain details of the person's interests and short positions in, and rights to subscribe for, any relevant securities of each of (i) the offeree company and (ii) any securities exchange offeror(s). An Opening Position Disclosure by a person to whom Rule 8.3(a) of the Code applies must be made by no later than 3.30 pm (London time) on the 10th business day following the commencement of the offer period and, if appropriate, by no later than 3.30 pm (London time) on the 10th business day following the announcement in which any securities exchange offeror is first identified. Relevant persons who deal in the relevant securities of the offeree company or of a securities exchange offeror prior to the deadline for making an Opening Position Disclosure must instead make a Dealing Disclosure.

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