

# Almaden Hits 21.50 Meters of 2.2 g/t AuEq at Ixtaca, Mexico

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA--(Marketwired - Jul 25, 2013) - [Almaden Minerals Ltd.](#) ("**Almaden**" or "**the Company**") (TSX:AMM)(NYSE MKT:AAU) is pleased to announce the results from Almaden's ongoing 2013 Ixtaca Zone drill program at the Company's 100% owned Tuligtic project, Mexico. The 2013 drill program is focussed on expanding the known resource immediately along strike to known mineralisation, adjacent to the current resource shell and within what is considered a potential pit shell. Highlights from the holes released today include the following intercepts (a more complete list of intercepts is shown in the table below):

Hole TU-13-265 CHEMALACO ZONE  
43.40 meters @ 0.50 g/t gold and 9.2 g/t silver (0.7 g/t gold equivalent)  
Including 6.60 meters @ 2.15 g/t gold and 11.6 g/t silver (2.4 g/t gold equivalent)

Hole TU-13-268 CHEMALACO ZONE  
12.50 meters @ 0.56 g/t gold and 91.4 g/t silver (2.4 g/t gold equivalent)

Hole TU-13-269 EASTERN VOLCANICLASTICS  
33.50 meters @ 0.83 g/t gold and 2.4 g/t silver (0.9 g/t gold equivalent)

Hole TU-13-272 CHEMALACO ZONE  
9.50 meters @ 0.41 g/t gold and 114.0 g/t silver (2.7 g/t gold equivalent)

Hole TU-13-278 CHEMALACO ZONE  
33.00 meters @ 0.83 g/t gold and 37.3 g/t silver (1.6 g/t gold equivalent)

Hole TU-13-279 CHEMALACO ZONE  
14.62 meters @ 1.15 g/t gold and 54.9 g/t silver (2.2 g/t gold equivalent)

Hole TU-13-281 CHEMALACO ZONE  
119.50 meters @ 0.57 g/t gold and 24.0 g/t silver (1.0 g/t gold equivalent)  
Including 21.50 meters @ 1.13 g/t gold and 54.7 g/t silver (2.2 g/t gold equivalent)

**A plan map and relevant sections, which will be posted to the Company's website ([www.almadenminerals.com](http://www.almadenminerals.com)), can be seen here:**  
<http://media3.marketwire.com/docs/almaden-0725-maps.pdf>.

## About the Ixtaca Property

The 100% owned Ixtaca zone is a blind discovery made by the Company in 2010. The Main Ixtaca and Ixtaca North Zones of veining are interpreted to have a north-easterly trend. Holes to date suggest that the Main Ixtaca and Ixtaca North Zones are sub vertical with local variations. This interpretation suggests that true widths range from approximately 35% of intersected widths for a -70 degree hole to 94% of intersected widths for a -20 degree hole. The drilling completed to date has traced mineralisation over 1,000 meters along this northeast trend. Based upon observations at surface and of core as drilling progresses, there seems to be a variety of veinlet orientations within the Chermalaco Zone however overall the zone is currently interpreted to be dipping to the west and striking roughly north-south.

Hole #	From (m)	To (m)	Interval (m)	Au (g/t)	Ag (g/t)	AuEq (g/t)	AgEq (g/t)	Section
TU-13-265	488.40	531.80	43.40	0.50	9.2	0.7	34	
including	500.60	507.20	6.60	2.15	11.6	2.4	119	
including	504.20	507.20	3.00	3.36	17.1	3.7	185	
TU-13-265	539.00	545.00	6.00	0.07	22.2	0.5	26	50050N
TU-13-265	550.30	558.00	7.70	0.07	28.1	0.6	32	

TU-13-267	28.00	44.50	16.50	0.22	2.7	0.3	14	
TU-13-267	79.00	164.40	85.40	0.33	8.7	0.5	25	
including	155.85	157.45	1.60	0.40	57.0	1.5	77	
including	162.00	163.40	1.40	0.95	25.8	1.5	73	
TU-13-267	175.65	185.95	10.30	0.45	5.8	0.6	28	
TU-13-267	194.30	198.00	3.70	0.19	15.3	0.5	25	10900E
TU-13-268	41.30	56.25	14.95	0.05	11.5	0.3	14	
TU-13-268	61.25	120.50	59.25	0.11	41.1	0.9	47	
including	74.90	79.75	4.85	0.25	126.9	2.8	140	
including	103.00	106.00	3.00	0.23	81.2	1.9	93	
TU-13-268	133.00	138.00	5.00	0.03	22.3	0.5	24	
TU-13-268	151.50	208.00	56.50	0.36	42.0	1.2	60	
including	166.00	178.50	12.50	0.56	91.4	2.4	119	
including	166.00	167.50	1.50	0.74	223.7	5.2	261	
including	192.00	199.50	7.50	0.75	51.6	1.8	89	
TU-13-268	222.75	239.00	16.25	0.08	14.6	0.4	19	50050N
TU-13-269	87.50	121.00	33.50	0.83	2.4	0.9	44	
including	93.50	102.00	8.50	1.34	1.9	1.4	69	
including	107.00	110.50	3.50	1.13	2.5	1.2	59	
TU-13-269	131.00	147.00	16.00	0.32	4.5	0.4	20	10900E
TU-13-271	87.00	121.50	34.50	0.19	4.5	0.3	14	
TU-13-271	136.00	217.00	81.00	0.34	6.4	0.5	23	
including	203.00	207.60	4.60	1.53	34.4	2.2	111	10900E
TU-13-272	48.00	138.50	90.50	0.20	31.4	0.8	42	
including	66.05	70.20	4.15	0.44	49.5	1.4	72	
including	77.50	84.80	7.30	0.29	71.1	1.7	86	
including	112.75	119.75	7.00	0.43	40.1	1.2	62	
including	129.00	138.50	9.50	0.41	114.0	2.7	134	
TU-13-272	146.00	161.00	15.00	0.22	47.1	1.2	58	
including	147.00	148.50	1.50	0.65	252.7	5.7	285	
TU-13-272	187.00	193.50	6.50	0.11	11.5	0.3	17	
TU-13-272	220.00	231.00	11.00	0.14	9.5	0.3	16	50050N
TU-13-273	75.59	84.50	8.91	0.18	5.4	0.3	14	
TU-13-273	93.50	153.00	59.50	0.32	3.7	0.4	20	10900E
TU-13-275	68.50	84.00	15.50	0.15	10.6	0.4	18	
TU-13-275	105.00	112.00	7.00	0.11	15.8	0.4	21	
TU-13-275	120.00	134.50	14.50	0.18	6.2	0.3	15	
TU-13-275	149.00	227.00	78.00	0.39	23.8	0.9	44	
including	164.50	193.50	29.00	0.43	43.3	1.3	65	
TU-13-275	254.00	258.00	4.00	0.01	13.5	0.3	14	50050N
TU-13-276	120.50	128.50	8.00	0.07	8.1	0.2	12	
TU-13-276	155.50	200.70	45.20	0.23	17.0	0.6	29	
including	172.25	175.25	3.00	0.76	43.4	1.6	82	
including	191.50	194.75	3.25	0.26	81.9	1.9	95	50100N
TU-13-277	63.00	77.00	14.00	0.17	1.7	0.2	10	49525N
TU-13-278	53.00	122.50	69.50	0.53	21.9	1.0	49	
including	71.00	104.00	33.00	0.83	37.3	1.6	79	
including	71.00	81.00	10.00	1.19	56.7	2.3	116	
TU-13-278	162.00	167.00	5.00	0.10	10.6	0.3	15	49925N
TU-13-279	98.00	107.00	9.00	0.08	11.6	0.3	16	
TU-13-279	122.50	145.50	23.00	0.30	15.2	0.6	30	
TU-13-279	161.00	191.41	30.41	0.73	33.1	1.4	70	
including	170.70	185.32	14.62	1.15	54.9	2.2	112	
including	172.10	174.00	1.90	2.33	268.2	7.7	385	50100N
TU-13-280	53.40	122.00	68.60	0.45	13.7	0.7	36	
including	68.50	82.50	14.00	1.21	39.4	2.0	100	49925N

TU-13-281	66.00	185.50	119.50	0.57	24.0	1.0	52	
including	84.00	89.00	5.00	1.04	30.9	1.7	83	
including	128.00	149.50	21.50	1.13	54.7	2.2	111	
TU-13-281	197.50	209.70	12.20	0.42	49.8	1.4	71	
including	200.00	201.75	1.75	1.26	177.6	4.8	240	49925N
TU-13-282	120.00	134.00	14.00	0.43	7.3	0.6	29	
including	127.30	130.00	2.70	1.21	7.5	1.4	68	
TU-13-282	141.00	200.00	59.00	0.23	19.9	0.6	32	
including	160.00	164.30	4.30	0.44	97.2	2.4	119	
including	195.00	198.00	3.00	0.91	17.2	1.2	63	50100N
TU-13-283	121.50	124.50	3.00	0.00	13.5	0.3	14	49925N
TU-13-284	90.70	100.00	9.30	0.03	21.7	0.5	23	
TU-13-284	106.00	113.50	7.50	0.07	14.0	0.3	17	
TU-13-284	140.00	152.45	12.45	0.25	24.9	0.7	38	
including	149.50	151.00	1.50	0.21	104.3	2.3	115	
TU-13-284	160.00	174.50	14.50	0.07	9.8	0.3	13	50100N
TU-13-286	117.00	128.00	11.00	0.04	16.2	0.4	18	
TU-13-286	185.85	191.00	5.15	0.27	7.1	0.4	20	
TU-13-286	201.50	209.70	8.20	0.13	6.5	0.3	13	49925N

Mr. Norm Dircks, P.Geo., a qualified person ("QP") under the meaning of NI 43-101, is the QP and project manager of Almaden's Ixtaca program and reviewed the technical information in this news release. The analyses reported were carried out at ALS Chemex Laboratories of North Vancouver using industry standard analytical techniques. For gold, samples are first analysed by fire assay and atomic absorption spectroscopy ("AAS"). Samples that return values greater than 10 g/t gold using this technique are then re-analysed by fire assay but with a gravimetric finish. Silver is first analysed by Inductively Coupled Plasma - Atomic Emission Spectroscopy ("ICP-AES"). Samples that return values greater than 100 g/t silver by ICP-AES are then re-analysed by HF-HNO<sub>3</sub>-HClO<sub>4</sub> digestion with HCL leach and ICP-AES finish. Of these samples those that return silver values greater than 1,500 g/t are further analysed by fire assay with a gravimetric finish.

Blanks, field duplicates and certified standards were inserted into the sample stream as part of Almaden's quality assurance and control program which complies with National Instrument 43-101 requirements. Gold equivalent ("AuEq" or "Gold Eq.") and silver equivalent ("AgEq" or "Silver Eq.") values were calculated using silver to gold ratios of 50 to 1. The ratio of 50 to 1 was used for the sake of consistency with past news releases. Intervals that returned assays below detection were assigned zero values. Metallurgical recoveries and net smelter returns are assumed to be 100% for these calculations.

## About Almaden

Almaden is a well-financed mineral exploration company working in North America. The company has assembled mineral exploration projects, including the Ixtaca Zone and the Tuligtic project, through its grass roots exploration efforts. While the properties are largely at early stages of development they represent exciting opportunities for the discovery of significant gold, silver and copper deposits as evidenced at Ixtaca. Almaden's business model is to find and acquire mineral properties and develop them by seeking option agreements with others who can acquire an interest in a project by making payments and exploration expenditures. Through this means the company has been able to expose its shareholders to discovery and capital gain without the funding and consequent share dilution that would be required if the company were to have developed these projects without a partner. The company intends to expand this business model, described by some as prospect generation, by more aggressively exploring several of its projects including the Ixtaca Zone.

On Behalf of the Board of Directors

**Morgan J. Poliquin, Ph.D., P.Eng., President, CEO and Director**

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