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**BANYAN GOLD ANNOUNCES PRIVATE PLACEMENT TERMS
FOR \$750,000 CROWD FUNDING FINANCING**

TORONTO, ONTARIO - BANYAN GOLD CORP. (“Banyan”, “Banyan Gold” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce the financing terms, subject to TSX Venture Exchange approval, for the crowd funding financing as announced on March 2, 2016.

The brokered private placement, through the newly created Red Cloud Klondike Strike Inc. online mining investment platform, comprises of one common share at a price of 9 cents, up to a maximum of 8,333,333 shares in the corporation.

Mr. Mark Haywood, the President & CEO of Banyan, stated that *“Banyan expects that the recent strengthening of management and new strategic direction of the company will enable it to move forward on its value-driven strategies and create long-term value for its shareholders. Banyan is well positioned to begin the next phase of its corporate development and execute on its immediate objectives.”*

Funds raised from the financing will be applied to the evaluation of acquisitions, general and administrative costs and exploration on Banyan’s flagship Hyland Project. For more information on the offering, Banyan Gold, and how to invest, please visit www.RedCloudKS.com.

About Banyan Gold

Banyan is a gold exploration and development company whose flagship property, the Hyland Gold Project (“Hyland”), is approximately 70km NE of Watson Lake, Yukon, along the southeast end of the Tintina Gold Belt. The Main Zone gold Inferred Resource, at a 0.6 g/t gold equivalent ("AuEq") cutoff, hosts a NI 43-101 compliant Resource of 12,503,994 tonnes containing 361,692 ounces gold at 0.9 g/t and 2,248,948 ounces silver at 5.59 g/t for a combined gold and silver 396,468 ounces gold equivalent.

Banyan trades on the TSX-Venture Exchange under the symbol “BYN”. For more information please visit the corporate website at www.BanyanGold.com or contact the Company.

ON BEHALF OF THE BANYAN BOARD OF DIRECTORS

(signed) "Mark Haywood"

Mark Haywood
President & CEO

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