

Sandspring Resources Announces Non-Brokered Private Placement

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August 6, 2019 – Denver, Colorado and Vancouver, British Columbia – Sandspring Resources Ltd. (SSP: TSX-V / SSPXF: OTC) ("Sandspring" or the "Company") announces a non-brokered private placement of 25,000,000 units (the "Units") at a price of \$0.20 per Unit for gross proceeds of up to \$5,000,000. Each Unit consists of one common share of the Company ("Share") and one share purchase warrant entitling the holder to purchase one Share at \$0.35 for a period of five years from the date of issuance ("Warrant"). It is anticipated that insider Gran Colombia Gold Corp. will participate in the private placement subject to TSX Exchange approval. A finder's fee may be payable in association with this financing to arms-length purchasers.

The Company intends to use the proceeds to commence work on the feasibility study for its flagship Toroparu Gold Project located in the Mazaruni-Cuyuni region of Western Guyana, for additional step out and exploration drilling at its Chicharrón Silver-Gold project located in the Segovia Mining District of Colombia, and for general working capital purposes.

Completion of the private placement is subject to the acceptance for filing of the TSX Venture Exchange. The securities issued by the Company in connection with this offering are subject to a four-month "hold period" as prescribed by the TSX Venture Exchange and applicable securities laws.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of Sandspring Resources Ltd.

"Richard A. Munson"

Director and Chief Executive Officer

About Sandspring Resources Ltd.

Sandspring Resources Ltd. is a Canadian junior mining company currently moving toward a feasibility study for the Toroparu Project in Guyana, South America with 7.4 million ounces of gold in the Measured and Indicated categories. A prefeasibility study completed in May 2013 (NI 43-101 Technical Report, Prefeasibility Study, Toroparu Gold Project, Upper Puruni River Area, Guyana, dated May 24, 2013 completed by SRK Consulting (U.S.), Inc., available on SEDAR (www.sedar.com)) outlined the design of an open-pit mine producing more than 200,000 ounces of gold annually over an initial 16-year mine life. Sandspring and Wheaton Precious Metals (formerly known as Silver Wheaton) entered into a precious metals purchase agreement for the Toroparu Project in November of 2013. Sandspring also holds a 100% interest in the Chicharrón Gold Project located in the Segovia-Remedios mining district, Antioquia, Colombia. Additional information is available at www.sandspringresources.com or by email at sandspringinfo@sandspringresources.com.

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