

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 AND 2019

(EXPRESSED IN CANADIAN DOLLARS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Shareholder of Northquest Ltd.

Opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of Northquest Ltd. (the "Company"), which comprise the statements of financial position as at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019, and the statements of loss and comprehensive loss, changes in shareholders' deficit and cash flows for the years then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements" section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter

We draw attention to Note 2 in the consolidated financial statements, which indicates that the Company incurred a net loss of \$1,117,874 for the year ended December 31, 2020 and has incurred cumulative losses from inception in the amount of \$39,081,694 at December 31, 2020. These conditions, along with other matters as set forth in Note 1, indicate the existence of a material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with IFRS, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

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Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

• Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit

evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit. We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is George G. Lovrics.

Toronto, Ontario March 31, 2021 Chartered Professional Accountants Licensed Public Accountants

Stern & Lovrice LLP

Statements of Financial Position

(Expressed in Canadian Dollars unless otherwise noted)

	As at December 31, 2020		As at December 31, 2019	
ASSETS				
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	264,991	\$	208,536
Other receivables and prepaid expenses (note 6)		30,031		33,337
Total current assets		295,022		241,873
Property and equipment (note 7)		43,072		57,429
Total assets	\$	338,094	\$	299,302
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' DEFICIT				
Current liabilities				
Accounts payable and other liabilities (notes 8 and 12(a)(i))	\$	2,147,904	\$	1,483,499
Due to Nordgold (note 12(a)(i))		11,223,088		10,730,827
Total liabilities		13,370,992		12,214,326
Shareholders' deficit (statements of changes in shareholders' deficit)		(13,032,898)	((11,915,024)
Total liabilities and shareholders' deficit	\$	338,094	\$	299,302

Nature of operations (note 1) Going concern (note 2)

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of these financial statements.

Approved on behalf of the Board of Directors:

/s/ Igor Klimanov /s/ Evgeny Tulubensky

Igor Klimanov Evgeny Tulubensky

Director Director



Statements of Loss and Comprehensive Loss (Expressed in Canadian Dollars unless otherwise noted)

Year Ended December 31,	2020	2019
Operating expenses		
Exploration and evaluation expenditures (note 9)	\$ 463,646	\$ 2,493,145
General and administrative (note 13)	198,142	209,221
Interest expense (note 12(a)(i))	764,080	612,092
Exchange gain	(307,353)	(496,805)
Operating loss before the following items	(1,118,515)	(2,817,653)
Interest income	641	500
Loss and comprehensive loss	\$ (1,117,874)	\$ (2,817,153)
Basic and diluted loss per share (note 11)	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.03)
Weighted average number of common shares	111,596,566	111,596,566

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Statements of Cash Flows

(Expressed in Canadian Dollars unless otherwise noted)

Year Ended December 31,	2020	2019
Cash and cash equivalents (used in) provided by		
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Paid for exploration and evaluation expenses	\$ (505,63	5) \$ (2,471,811)
Wages and benefits paid	(78,23	
Interest received	64	500
General and administration	(104,04	9) (107,918)
Goods and services tax	8,73	7 (8,846)
	(678,54	5) (2,664,322)
FINANCING ACTIVITY		
Receipt from Nordgold (note 12(a)(i))	735,00	0 2,695,000
	735,00	0 2,695,000
Change in cash and cash equivalents	56,45	30,678
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	208,53	6 177,858
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 264,99	1 \$ 208,536

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Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Deficit

(Expressed in Canadian Dollars unless otherwise noted)

	Commo	Common shares			Shareholders'
	(#)	(\$)	surplus (\$)	Deficit (\$)	(deficit) (\$)
Balance at December 31, 2018	111,596,566	25,654,772	394,024	(35,146,667)	(9,097,871)
Loss for the year	-	-	-	(2,817,153)	(2,817,153)
Balance at December 31, 2019	111,596,566	25,654,772	394,024	(37,963,820)	(11,915,024)
Loss for the year	-	-	-	(1,117,874)	(1,117,874)
Balance at December 31, 2020	111,596,566	25,654,772	394,024	(39,081,694)	(13,032,898)

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of these financial statements.



Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2020 and 2019

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1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS

Northquest Ltd. ("Northquest" or the "Corporation") was incorporated under the laws of the Province of Ontario by articles of incorporation dated March 18, 2008. Northquest was formed to conduct exploration for gold and other metals and has not determined whether its property contains economically recoverable reserves. The primary office of the Corporation is located at 50 Richmond Street East, Suite 101, Toronto, Ontario (Canada), M5C 1N7.

As at December 31, 2020 and 2019, 100% of the Corporation's issued and outstanding shares are owned by Nord Gold S.E. ("Nordgold"), a private company. As such, the Corporation is a subsidiary of Nordgold.

Since December 31, 2019, the outbreak of the novel strain of coronavirus, specifically identified as "COVID-19", has resulted in governments worldwide enacting emergency measures to combat the spread of the virus. These measures, which include the implementation of travel bans, self-imposed quarantine periods and social distancing, have caused material disruption to businesses globally resulting in an economic slowdown. Global equity markets have experienced significant volatility and weakness. It is uncertain what impact this volatility and weakness will have on the Corporation's activities. Governments and central banks have reacted with significant monetary and fiscal interventions designed to stabilize economic conditions. The duration and impact of the COVID-19 outbreak is unknown at this time, as is the efficacy of the government and central bank interventions. It is not possible to reliably estimate the length and severity of these developments and the impact on the financial results and condition of the Corporation in future periods.

2. GOING CONCERN

Northquest is at an early stage of development and as is common with many exploration companies, it has no revenues and is financed by Nordgold. The Corporation had working capital deficiency of \$13,075,970 at December 31, 2020 (December 31, 2019 – working capital deficiency of \$11,972,453) and reported a loss of \$1,117,874 (year ended December 31, 2019 - \$2,817,153) and use of cash in operating activities of \$678,545 (year ended December 31, 2019 - \$2,664,322) for the year ended December 31, 2020.

The ability of the Corporation to continue as a going concern is dependent on the successful completion of the actions taken or planned. In order to meet future expenditures and cover administrative costs, the Corporation will need to additional financing from Nordgold. Although the Corporation has been successful in receiving funds from Nordgold to date, there can be no assurance that adequate funding will be received in the future. These circumstances indicate the existence of a material uncertainty which may cast significant doubt as to the ability of the Corporation to meet its business plan and obligations as they come due, and accordingly, the appropriateness of the use of the accounting principles applied to a going concern.

These financial statements do not reflect adjustments that would be necessary if the going concern assumption was not appropriate. If the going concern basis was not appropriate for these financial statements, then adjustments would be necessary in the carrying value of assets and liabilities, the reported revenues and expenses, and the statement of financial position classifications used. These adjustments could be material.

3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Statement of compliance

The Corporation applies International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") and interpretations issued by the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee.

The policies applied in these financial statements are based on IFRSs issued and outstanding as of March 31, 2021, the date the Board of Directors approved the statements. The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all years presented.



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3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(b) Basis of presentation

These financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis except for the revaluation of certain financial assets to fair value. In addition, these financial statements have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting except for cash flow information.

In the preparation of these financial statements, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of expenses during the period. Actual results could differ from these estimates. Of particular significance are the estimates and assumptions used in the recognition and measurement of items included in note 3(n).

(c) Foreign currencies

The functional currency, as determined by management, of Northquest is the Canadian dollar. The financial statements, the results and financial position are expressed in Canadian dollars. Transactions in currencies other than the functional currency are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the period end exchange rates are recognised in the statement of loss and comprehensive loss. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

(d) Financial instruments

IFRS 9 - Financial Instruments ("IFRS 9") includes finalized guidance on the classification and measurement of financial assets. Under IFRS 9, financial assets are classified and measured either at amortized cost, fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVOCI") or fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL") based on the business model in which they are held and the characteristics of their contractual cash flows. IFRS 9 largely retains the existing requirements in IAS 39 - Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement, for the classification and measurement of financial liabilities.

All financial assets not classified at amortized cost or FVOCI are measured at FVTPL. On initial recognition, the Corporation can irrevocably designate a financial asset at FVTPL if doing so eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch.

A financial asset is measured at amortized cost if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated at FVTPL:

- It is held within a business model whose objective is to hold the financial asset to collect the contractual cash flows associated with the financial asset instead of selling the financial asset for a profit or loss;
- Its contractual terms give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest.

All financial instruments are initially recognized at fair value on the statement of financial position. Subsequent measurement of financial instruments is based on their classification. Financial assets and liabilities classified at FVTPL are measured at fair value with changes in those fair values recognized in the statement of loss and comprehensive loss for the period. Financial assets classified at amortized cost and financial liabilities are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method.



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3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(d) Financial instruments (continued)

The following table summarizes the classification and measurement for each financial instrument:

Financial instruments	Classification
Cash and cash equivalents	FVTPL
Other receivables	Amortized cost
Accounts payable and other liabilities	Amortized cost
Due to Nordgold	Amortized cost

Financial instruments recorded at fair value on the statements of financial position are classified using a fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements. The fair value hierarchy has the following levels:

- Level 1 valuation based on quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 valuation techniques based on inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices); and
- Level 3 valuation techniques using inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, except for cash and cash equivalents – which are Level 1 financial instruments, none of the Corporation's financial instruments are recorded at fair value in the statements of financial position.

(e) Impairment of non-financial assets

At the end of each reporting period, the Corporation reviews the carrying amounts of its non-financial assets with finite lives to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. Where such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less cost to sell or its value in use. In addition, long-lived assets that are not amortized are subject to an annual impairment assessment.

(f) Exploration and evaluation expenditures

The Corporation expenses exploration and evaluation expenditures as incurred in mineral properties not commercially viable and financially feasible. Exploration and evaluation expenditures include acquisition costs of mineral properties, property option payments and evaluation activities.

Once a project has been established as commercially viable and technically feasible, related development expenditures are capitalized. This includes costs incurred in preparing the site for mining operations. Capitalization ceases when the mine is capable of commercial production, with the exception of development costs that give rise to a future benefit.

Exploration and evaluation expenditures are capitalized if the Corporation can demonstrate that these expenditures meet the criteria of an identifiable intangible asset. To date, no such exploration and evaluation expenditures have been identified and capitalized.



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3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(g) Property and equipment

Property and equipment are carried at cost, less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

The cost of an item of property and equipment consists of the purchase price, any costs directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for its intended use and an initial estimate of the costs of dismantling and removing the item and restoring the site on which it is located.

Depreciation is recognized based on the cost of an item of property and equipment, less its estimated residual value, over its estimated useful life at the following rates:

Detail	Percentage	Method	
Office equipment	25%	Declining balance method	
Vehicles	25%	Declining balance method	

An asset's residual value, useful life and depreciation method are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, on an annual basis.

(h) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash deposits in banks, and liquid short-term deposits in the form of high interest savings and money market accounts with original maturities of three months or less. The Corporation does not hold any asset backed commercial paper.

(i) Provisions

A provision is recognized when the Corporation has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, and the amount of the obligation can be reliably estimated. If the effect is material, provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and, where appropriate, the risks specific to the liability.

A provision for onerous contracts is recognized when the expected benefits to be derived by the Corporation from a contract are lower than the unavoidable cost of meeting its obligations under the contract.

The Corporation had no material provisions at December 31, 2020 and 2019.

(j) Share-based payment transactions

The fair value of share options granted to employees and non-employees is recognized as an expense over the vesting period with a corresponding increase in equity. An individual is classified as an employee when the individual is an employee for legal or tax purposes (direct employee) or provides services similar to those performed by a direct employee, including directors of the Corporation.

The fair value is measured at the grant date and recognized over the period during which the options vest. The fair value of the options granted is measured using the Black-Scholes option pricing model, taking into account the terms and conditions upon which the options were granted. At each financial position reporting date, the amount recognized as an expense is adjusted to reflect the actual number of share options that are expected to vest.



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3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(k) Deferred taxes

Tax expense comprises current and deferred tax. Current tax and deferred tax are recognized in profit or loss except to the extent that it relates to a business combination, or items recognized directly in equity or in other comprehensive income. Current tax is the expected tax payable or receivable on the taxable income or loss for the period, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous periods.

Deferred tax is recognized in respect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. Deferred tax is not recognized for the following temporary differences: the initial recognition of assets or liabilities in a transaction that is not a business combination and that affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss, and differences relating to investments in subsidiaries and jointly controlled entities to the extent that it is probable that they will not reverse in the foreseeable future. In addition, deferred tax is not recognized for taxable temporary differences arising on the initial recognition of goodwill. Deferred tax is measured at the tax rates that are expected to be applied to temporary differences when they reverse, based on the laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset if there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax liabilities and assets, and they relate to income taxes levied by the same tax authority on the same taxable entity, or on different tax entities, but they intend to settle current tax liabilities and assets on a net basis or their tax assets and liabilities will be realized simultaneously.

A deferred tax asset is recognized for unused tax losses, tax credits and deductible temporary differences, to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which they can be utilized. Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realized.

(l) Restoration, rehabilitation and environmental obligations

A legal or constructive obligation to incur restoration, rehabilitation and environmental costs may arise when environmental disturbance is caused by the exploration, development or ongoing production of a mineral property interest. Such costs arising from the decommissioning of plant and other site preparation work, discounted to their net present value, are provided for and capitalized at the start of each project to the carrying amount of the asset, as soon as the obligation to incur such costs arises. Discount rates using a pretax rate that reflects the time value of money are used to calculate the net present value. These costs are charged against profit or loss over the economic life of the related asset, through amortization using either a unit-of-production or the straight-line method as appropriate. The related liability is adjusted for each period for the unwinding of the discount rate and for changes to the current market-based discount rate, amount or timing of the underlying cash flows needed to settle the obligation. Costs for restoration of subsequent site damage that is created on an ongoing basis during production are provided for at their net present values and charged against profits as extraction progresses. The Corporation has no material restoration, rehabilitation and environmental costs as the disturbance to date is minimal.

(m) Loss per share

The Corporation presents basic and diluted loss per share data for its common shares, calculated by dividing the loss attributable to common shareholders of the Corporation by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted loss per share is determined by adjusting the loss attributable to common shareholders and the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the effects of all warrants and options outstanding that may add to the total number of common shares.



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3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(n) Significant accounting judgments and estimates

The preparation of these financial statements requires management to make certain estimates, judgments and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and reported amounts of expenses during the reporting period. Actual outcomes could differ from these estimates. These financial statements include estimates that, by their nature, are uncertain. The impacts of such estimates are pervasive throughout the financial statements, and may require accounting adjustments based on future occurrences. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimate is revised and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods. These estimates are based on historical experience, current and future economic conditions and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Critical accounting estimates

Significant assumptions about the future that management has made that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities, in the event that actual results differ from assumptions made, relate to, but are not limited to, the following:

- the recoverability of other receivables that is included in the statements of financial position;
- the recoverability of exploration and evaluation expenditures incurred on the Corporation's property interests. The Corporation expenses the exploration and evaluation expenditures in the statements of loss and comprehensive loss;
- the estimated useful lives and residual value of property and equipment which are included in the financial statements and the related depreciation included in the statements of loss and comprehensive loss;
- management's judgment in determining the functional currency of the Corporation as Canadian dollars;
- management's assumption of no material restoration, rehabilitation and environmental, based on the facts and circumstances that existed during the period; and
- management's position that there is no income tax considerations required within these financial statements.

Critical accounting judgments

• The categorization of financial assets and liabilities is an accounting policy that requires management to make judgments or assessments.



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4. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The Corporation manages its capital with the following objectives:

- to ensure sufficient financial flexibility to achieve the ongoing business objectives including funding of future growth opportunities, and pursuit of accretive acquisitions; and
- to maximize shareholder return.

The Corporation monitors its capital structure and makes adjustments according to market conditions in an effort to meet its objectives given the current outlook of the business and industry in general. The Corporation may manage its capital structure by issuing new shares, repurchasing outstanding shares, adjusting capital spending, or disposing of assets. The capital structure is reviewed by management and the Board of Directors on an ongoing basis.

The Corporation considers its capital to be equity, comprising common shares, contributed surplus and deficit which at December 31, 2020 totaled a deficit of \$13,032,898 (December 31, 2019 - \$11,915,024). The Corporation manages capital through its financial and operational forecasting processes. The Corporation reviews its working capital and forecasts its future cash flows based on operating expenditures, and other investing and financing activities. The forecast is updated based on its exploration and development activities. Selected information is provided to the Board of Directors.

The Corporation's capital management objectives, policies and processes have remained unchanged during the year ended December 31, 2020. The Corporation is not subject to any capital requirements imposed by a lending institution or regulatory body.

5. FINANCIAL RISK FACTORS

The Corporation is exposed to a variety of financial risks: credit risk, liquidity risk and market risk (including interest rate and foreign exchange rate risks) as explained below.

Risk management is carried out by the Corporation's management team with guidance from the Audit Committee and the Board of Directors.

Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of loss associated with a counterparty's inability to fulfill its payment obligations. The Corporation's credit risk is primarily attributable to cash and cash equivalents and other receivables. The bulk of the Corporation's cash and cash equivalents are held in Canada with select Canadian chartered banks, where management believes the risk of loss to be low.

Financial instruments included in other receivables consist of sales tax receivable from government authorities in Canada. All receivables are in good standing as of December 31, 2020. Management believes that the credit risk concentration with respect to financial instruments included in other receivables is low.



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5. FINANCIAL RISK FACTORS (Continued)

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Corporation will not have sufficient cash resources to meet its financial obligations as they come due. The Corporation's liquidity and operating results may be adversely affected if its access to the capital market is hindered, whether as a result of a downturn in general stock market conditions or conditions specific to the Corporation. As at December 31, 2020, the Corporation had a cash and cash equivalents balance of \$264,991 (December 31, 2019 - \$208,536) to settle current liabilities of \$13,370,992 (December 31, 2019 - \$12,214,326). All of the Corporation's financial liabilities have contractual maturities of less than 30 days and are subject to normal trade terms except for the amount due to Nordgold which bears interest at 6.5% and is due on September 28, 2021.

On September 28, 2016, Nordgold and the Corporation signed a loan agreement in which Nordgold agreed to lend Northquest an amount of up to US\$10,000,000. During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Corporation received \$735,000 (US\$555,202) (year ended December 31, 2019 - \$2,695,000 (US\$2,045,812)) from Nordgold. The loan bears interest at 6.5%. The principal and unpaid interest shall be paid in full on September 28, 2021.

It is expected the Corporation will be financed by Nordgold.

Market risk

Interest rate risk

The Corporation has cash balances, cash equivalents and interest-bearing debt. The Corporation's current policy is to invest surplus cash in certificates of deposit at select Canadian chartered banks. The Corporation periodically monitors the investments it makes and is satisfied with their creditworthiness. The Corporation's loan payable is at fixed interest rate. Accordingly, the Corporation has no material interest rate risk.

Foreign currency risk

The Corporation's functional and presentation currency is the Canadian dollar and major purchases are transacted in Canadian dollars. However, the loan agreement with Nordgold is in US\$. As a result, the Corporation is subject to gains and losses due to fluctuation in US\$ against the functional currency.

Sensitivity analysis

As of December 31, 2020, both the carrying and estimated fair value amounts of the Corporation's financial instruments are approximately equivalent. The sensitivity analysis shown in the notes below may differ materially from actual results.

Based on management's knowledge and experience of the financial markets, the following movements are reasonable over the year ended December 31, 2020:

- (i) Cash and cash equivalents are subject to floating interest rates. Sensitivity to a plus or minus 1% change in interest rates would not have a material impact on the reported loss and comprehensive loss.
- (ii) The Corporation holds balances in foreign currencies (US\$ loan agreement with Nordgold) which could give rise to exposure to foreign exchange risk. As at December 31, 2020, had the US\$ weakened/strengthened by 10% against the Canadian dollar with all other variables held constant, the Corporation's reported loss and comprehensive loss for the year ended December 31, 2020 would have been approximately \$1,335,000 higher/lower as a result of foreign exchange losses/gains on translation of US\$ denominated loan. Similarly, as at December 31, 2020, shareholders' deficit would have been approximately \$1,335,000 higher/lower had the US\$ weakened/strengthened by 10% against the Canadian dollar as a result of foreign exchange losses/gains on translation of US\$ loan.



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6. OTHER RECEIVABLES AND PREPAID EXPENSES

	Dec	As at cember 31, 2020	Dec	As at ember 31, 2019
Sales tax receivable	\$	6,653	\$	15,391
Prepaid expenses		23,378		17,946
	\$	30,031	\$	33,337

7. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Cost	Office	Equipment	7	Vehicles	Total
Balance, December 31, 2018, 2019 and 2020	\$	26,361	\$	175,274	\$ 201,635
Accumulated Depreciation	Office	e Equipment	,	Vehicles	Total
Balance, December 31, 2018	\$	21,567	\$	103,496	\$ 125,063
Depreciation		1,199		17,944	19,143
Balance, December 31, 2019		22,766		121,440	144,206
Depreciation		899		13,458	14,357
Balance, December 31, 2020	\$	23,665	\$	134,898	\$ 158,563

Carrying Value	Office	Equipment	V	ehicles	Total
Balance, December 31, 2019	\$	3,595	\$	53,834	\$ 57,429
Balance, December 31, 2020	\$	2,696	\$	40,376	\$ 43,072

8. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND OTHER LIABILITIES

	Do	As at eccember 31, 2020	As at December 31, 2019	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	22,505	\$	56,428
Accrued interests (note 12(a)(i))		2,125,399		1,427,071
	\$	2,147,904	\$	1,483,499

The following is an aged analysis of the accounts payable and other liabilities:

	De	As at cember 31, 2020	Dec	As at cember 31, 2019	
Less than one year	\$	720,833	\$	614,147	
Greater than one year		1,427,071		869,352	
	\$	2,147,904	\$	1,483,499	



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9. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION EXPENDITURES

Year Ended December 31,	2020	2019
Pistol Bay, Nunavut	\$ 463,646	\$ 2,493,145

All of the claims that make up the Pistol Bay claim group are owned 100% by Northquest, the claims previously held by Phil Burt and William Brereton having been transferred to Northquest during 2018.

In late 2018 an assessment report covering all exploration activities completed in 2016 and 2017 was submitted to the Mining Recorder's Office, and on February 20, 2019, the final edits of this report were approved. Assessment credits relating to this report have been assigned to the claims, and all of the claims now have anniversary dates of August 2019 or later.

As at December 31, 2020, cumulative exploration and evaluation expenditures on the Pistol Bay Project are \$29,197,721 (December 31, 2019 - \$28,734,075).

10. SHARE CAPITAL

(a) Authorized common shares

The Corporation is authorized to issue an unlimited number of common shares with no par value.

(b) Share purchase option plan

As at December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2020, the Corporation had no stock options outstanding.

(c) Warrants

As at December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2020, the Corporation had no warrants outstanding.

11. NET LOSS PER COMMON SHARE

The calculation of basic and diluted loss per share for the year ended December 31, 2020 was based on the loss attributable to common shareholders of \$1,117,874 (year ended December 31, 2019 - \$2,817,153) and the weighted average number of common shares outstanding of 111,596,566 (year ended December 31, 2019 - 111,596,566).



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12. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Related parties include the Board of Directors, close family members and enterprises that are controlled by these individuals as well as certain persons performing similar functions.

The below noted transactions are in the normal course of business and are measured at fair value, the amount as agreed to by the parties, and approved by the Board of Directors in strict adherence to conflict of interest laws and regulations.

- (a) Northquest entered into the following transactions with related parties:
- (i) As of December 31, 2020, 111,596,566 (December 31, 2019 111,596,566) common shares are held by Nordgold (100% of shares outstanding (December 31, 2019 100%)). On September 28, 2016, Nordgold and the Corporation signed a loan agreement in which Nordgold agreed to lend Northquest an amount of up to US\$10,000,000. During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Corporation received \$735,000 (US\$555,202) (year ended December 31, 2019 \$2,695,000 (US\$2,045,812)) from Nordgold for a total loan of \$11,223,088 (US\$8,814,867) as at December 31, 2020 (December 31, 2019 \$10,730,827 (US\$8,262,055)). The loan bears interest at 6.5%. The principal and unpaid interest shall be paid in full on September 28, 2021. For the year ended December 31, 2020, interest of \$764,080 (year ended December 31, 2019 \$612,092) has been accrued and is included as interest expense in the statement of loss and comprehensive loss. As at December 31, 2020, total accrued interest of \$2,125,399 (December 31, 2019 \$1,427,071) is included in accounts payable and other liabilities in the statement of financial position.

The Board of Directors and certain officers do not have employment or service contracts with the Corporation. Directors are entitled to director fees and stock options for their services and officers are entitled to stock options and cash remuneration for their services.

13. GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE

Year Ended December 31,	2020	2019
Audit and related fees	\$ 12,550	\$ 10,100
General and office - Canada	171,235	179,978
Depreciation	14,357	19,143
	\$ 198,142	\$ 209,221



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14. INCOME TAXES

The Corporation's effective income tax rate differs from the amount that would be computed by applying the Canadian federal and provincial statutory rate of 26.5% (year ended December 31, 2019 - 26.5%) to the loss for the year ended December 31, 2020. The reasons for the difference are as follows:

Year Ended December 31,	2020	2019
Expected income tax recovery	\$ (296,237)	\$ (746,545)
Depreciation	3,805	5,073
Non deductible expenses and other	530	530
Unrecorded tax benefit of losses	169,036	80,259
Exploration and evaluation expenditures	122,866	 660,683
	\$ -	\$ -

Significant components of the Corporation's Canadian unrecognized deferred income tax assets are as follows:

	As at December 31, 2020	As at December 31, 2019
Deferred income tax assets:		
Non-capital loss carry forwards	\$ 2,853,647	\$ 2,684,611
Other	59,244	55,440
Resource deductions	5,153,134	5,030,267
	\$ 8,066,025	\$ 7,770,318

The timing of the utilization of the deferred tax assets is undeterminable. Consequently, a full valuation allowance has been provided against the future value of these assets. The Corporation has Canadian non-capital losses available for deduction against future taxable income of \$10,768,478 (December 31, 2019 - \$10,130,607). These losses, if not utilized, will expire as follows:

2029	\$ 72,289	
2030	342,389	
2031	736,191	
2032	877,306	
2033	1,101,752	
2034	85,050	
2035	1,011,733	
2036	3,743,878	
2037	371,002	
2038	1,486,153	
2039	302,864	
2040	637,871	
	\$ 10,768,478	

The Corporation's Canadian operations have generated cumulative exploration and development expenditures of \$19,445,787 (December 31, 2019 - \$18,982,141) available to reduce deferred income taxes in future years.



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15. SEGMENTED INFORMATION

The chief operating decision-maker has been identified as the Corporation's directors. The Corporation's principal activity is acquisition, exploration and evaluation of mineral properties. The directors regard it as the single business segment and no segment information is presented. The Corporation did not derive any revenue from its principal activity during the periods.

The geographical locations of all of the Corporation's assets are based on the physical locations of these assets. All of the Corporation's assets are located in Canada (domicile) and no geographical segment information is presented.

