Largo Resources Announces Repayment of Brazilian Debt

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August 2, 2018 (Source) — Largo Resources Ltd. ("Largo" or the "Company") (TSX: LGO) (OTCQX: LGORF) is pleased to announce that, further to its press release of July 17, 2018, it has now repaid in full an aggregate of US\$144.1 million in debt owing to the Brazilian Development Bank ("BNDES") and to Largo's syndicate of commercial lenders comprised of Itaú Unibanco S.A., Banco Bradesco S.A. and Banco Votorantim S.A. (collectively, the "Syndicate"), being all amounts owing to the BNDES and the Syndicate (the "Repayment").

The Repayment was a condition of Largo's US\$150 million note offering (the "Offering") which was completed on May 22, 2018 (see press release of same date) pursuant to which Largo was provided with 180 days in which to satisfy the escrow release conditions and provide a pledge over all of the shares it holds in its operating subsidiary, Vanadio de Maracás S.A (the "Pledge"). Having completed the Repayment, Largo is now working to discharge the existing security and anticipates having the Pledge in place well in advance of the deadline provided for under the Offering.

Mr. Mark Smith, Largo's President and Chief Executive Officer, commented "We are very pleased to announce that we have repaid all amounts owing to the BNDES and the Syndicate. We would like to thank the BNDES and Syndicate for their strong support during Largo's formative years and in helping to make us the first greenfield mining project ever to be fully financed on the debt side by Brazilian banks. The repayment represents a fundamental step in Largo's development and will allow us to realize the

benefits of our recently completed note offering through the improvement in our capital structure, reduction in interest costs and the simplification of our reporting obligations. The completion of the restructuring of our debts along with the ongoing strength in V205 pricing (price range of V205 for the week ended July 27, 2018 of US\$19.00/lb V205 to US\$19.65/lb V205 as reported by the European Metal Bulletin) presents a continuing opportunity for our Company and our shareholders."

About Largo Resources

Largo is a Toronto-based strategic mineral company focused on the production of vanadium flake, high purity vanadium flake and high purity vanadium powder at the Maracás Menchen Mine located in Bahia State, Brazil. The Company's common shares are principally listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "LGO". For more information on Largo, please visit our website at www.largoresources.com.

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