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**AVNEL GOLD MINING LIMITED  
CHANGE IN ROLE OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

**ST. PETER PORT, Guernsey, October 9, 2008** – Avnel Gold Mining Limited (“**Avnel**” or the “**Company**”) (TSX: AVK) announces that, with effect from September 30, 2008, Roy Meade will be stepping down as Chief Executive Officer of Avnel to pursue other opportunities but will continue to provide services as a Non-Executive Director of the Company.

Howard Miller, the current Chairman of the Board of the Company, will assume the role of Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Miller has been a Director of the Company since its incorporation in 2005. He has also been a director of Avnel Gold, Limited, a subsidiary of the Company, since its incorporation in 2001. Prior to that, from 1993 to 2001, Mr. Miller was a founding Director of Nelson Gold (later Nelson Resources Limited) (TSX).

**About the Company:**

Avnel is a gold mining producing company operating the Kalana gold mine and is engaged in the exploration of the Kalana and Fougadian exploration permits.

Avnel's principal asset is an 80% interest in Société d'Exploitation des Mines d'Or de Kalana (“**SOMIKA**”). SOMIKA is the holder of a 30 year exploitation permit encompassing 387.4 sq. km. around and to the south of the operating Kalana gold mine in South West Mali. Avnel also holds the Fougadian exploration permit covering an area of 150 sq. km. which lies to the South of the main Kalana exploitation permit.

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