## Savannah Petroleum PLC

("Savannah" or the "Company")

## **Statement Regarding Suspension**

Savannah Petroleum PLC ("Savannah") this afternoon announces that it has entered into a binding exclusivity agreement with a West African focused business (the "Target") in relation to the potential acquisition of substantially all of their oil and gas assets in the region (the "Proposed Transaction"). A detailed transaction structure has also been agreed in outline with the Target.

Savannah has been undertaking legal, financial and technical due diligence on the Proposed Transaction since January 2017. As part of the Proposed Transaction it is envisaged that the transaction consideration will involve a mixture of debt, equity and cash being issued to the vendor. Due to commercial sensitivities, Savannah is at this stage unable to provide further details in relation to the Proposed Transaction, but will provide further updates in due course and is seeking to complete the Proposed Transaction on an accelerated timescale.

If completed on the currently envisaged terms, the Proposed Transaction would be classified as a reverse takeover in accordance with the AIM Rules for Companies. Accordingly, at the request of the Company, the Company's shares are suspended from trading on AIM with immediate effect and will remain so until either the publication of an admission document setting out, inter alia, details of the Proposed Transaction or until confirmation is given that these discussions have ceased.

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