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Heliostar Announces Initial Closing of \$4.5 Million Offering with Lead Order from Eric Sprott

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Vancouver, Canada, June 21, 2024 – Heliostar Metals Ltd. (TSX.V: HSTR, OTCQX: HSTXF, FRA: RGG1) ("Heliostar" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that it has closed the initial tranche of its non-brokered private placement offering (the "Offering") previously announced on June 5, 2024. Pursuant to the Offering, the Company issued an aggregate of 16,904,585 common shares (the "Shares") at a price of \$0.265 per Share for gross proceeds of approximately \$4,479,715.

The Company expects to close a final tranche of the Offering upon receipt of TSX Venture Exchange approval for the creation of a new insider of the Company. Assuming such approval is obtained, the final tranche is expected to close on or around June 28, 2024, for gross proceeds of approximately \$499,790.

3,773,585 of the Shares were offered pursuant to the listed issuer financing exemption under Part 5A of National Instrument 45-106 – *Prospectus Exemptions* and will not be subject a statutory hold period. 13,131,000 of the Shares were offered to purchasers pursuant to the accredited investor exemption under Section 2.3 of NI 45-106 and will be subject to a statutory hold period of four months and one day.

Mr. Eric Sprott increased his ownership in the Company by participating in the Offering with a lead order through 2176432 Ontario Ltd., acquiring 7,550,000 Shares for gross proceeds of \$2,000,750.

The Company intends to use the net proceeds of the Offering for the commencement of drilling at Ana Paula and general working capital.

Closing of the Offering is subject to final approval of the TSX Venture Exchange.

The Company also paid finder's fees in connection with a portion of the financing, consisting of a cash fee of \$200,000. In addition, the Company issued the finders 554,718 non-transferable finder's warrants (the "Finder's Warrants"). Each Finder's Warrant entitles the holder to purchase one Share at a price of \$0.265 for a period of 12 months.

The securities offered have not been registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "U.S. Securities Act"), and may not be offered or sold to, or for the account or benefit of, persons in the "United States" or "U.S. persons" (as such terms are defined in Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act) absent registration under the U.S. Securities Act and all applicable state securities laws or compliance with an applicable exemption from such registration requirements. This news release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of the securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful.

Statement of Qualified Person

Stewart Harris, P.Geo., a Qualified Person, as such term is defined by National Instrument 43-101 – *Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects*, has reviewed the scientific and technical information that forms the basis for this news release and has approved the disclosure herein.

About Heliostar Metals Ltd.

Heliostar is a junior mining company with a portfolio of high-grade gold projects in Mexico and Alaska.

The Company is focused on developing the 100% owned Ana Paula Project in Guerrero, Mexico. In addition, Heliostar is working with the Mexican government to permit the San Antonio Gold Project in Baja Sur, Mexico. The Company continues efforts to explore the Unga Gold Project in Alaska, United States of America.

Ana Paula hosts measured and indicated resources of 710,920 ounces of gold (320,204 measured and 390,716 indicated ounces) at 6.60 g/t gold and an inferred resource of 447,512 ounces of gold at 4.24 g/t gold. The asset is permitted for open-pit mining and contains significant existing infrastructure including a portal and a 412-metre-long decline.

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Forward—looking statements and forward—looking information relating to the terms and completion of the Facility, any future mineral production, liquidity, and future exploration plans are based on management's reasonable assumptions, estimates, expectations, analyses and opinions, which are based on management's experience and perception of trends, current conditions and expected developments, and other factors that management believes are relevant and reasonable in the circumstances, but which may prove to be incorrect. Assumptions have been made regarding, among other things, the receipt of necessary approvals, price of metals; no escalation in the severity of public health crises or ongoing military conflicts; costs of exploration and development; the estimated costs of development of exploration projects; and the Company's ability to operate in a safe and effective manner and its ability to obtain financing on reasonable terms.

These statements reflect the Company's respective current views with respect to future events and are necessarily based upon a number of other assumptions and estimates that, while considered reasonable by management, are inherently subject to significant business, economic, competitive, political and social uncertainties and contingencies. Many factors, both known and unknown, could cause actual results,

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