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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement ROYAL GOLD INC [RGLD] Isto Mark (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2016 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 1660 WYNKOOP (Check all applicable) STREET, Â SUITE 1000 (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Vice President Operations Person DENVER, COÂ 80202 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â 6,632 (1) Common Stock D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		Title	Security	Direct (D)	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Options (ISO-Rights to Buy)	(2)	08/20/2025	Common Stock	1,768	\$ 56.54	D	Â
Stock Options (ISO-Right to Buy)	(3)	01/05/2025	Common Stock	1,518	\$ 65.85	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Rights	(2)	08/20/2025	Common Stock	3,232	\$ 56.54	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Rights	(3)	01/05/2025	Common Stock	655	\$ 65.85	D	Â
Performance Shares	(4)	08/20/2018	Common Stock	5,000	\$ 56.54	D	Â
Performance Shares	(4)	08/20/2020	Common Stock	5,000	\$ 56.54	D	Â
Performance Shares	(4)	01/05/2025	Common Stock	1,875	\$ 65.85	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
roporous o man rama o rama o so	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Isto Mark 1660 WYNKOOP STREET SUITE 1000 DENVER, CO 80202	Â	Â	Vice President Operations	Â	

Signatures

Margaret A. Beck as Attorney-in-Fact for Mark Isto 07/08/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Includes 6,342 shares of restricted stock that have not yet vested.
- (2) One-third vests annually over three years beginning on August 20, 2016.
- (3) One-third vests annually over three years beginning on January 5, 2016.
- (4) A performance award represents a contingent right to receive shares of common stock upon achievement of certain performance goals.

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