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RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL CERTIFIES SDTC (SZWARCBURT DIAMOND TRADING CO BVBA)

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that SDTC (Szwarcburt Diamond Trading Co BVBA), the Antwerp-based diamond trader, has achieved certification by meeting the highest ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC's Member Certification system.

"RJC warmly congratulates SDTC on its certification. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Stefaan Berens from WF &Co., one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited to the RJC's Member Certification system," says Michael Rae, RJC's Chief Executive Officer.

"In this challenging world, I deeply believe that the diamond industry will only survive guided by high ethical, social and environmental standards. Becoming a RJC Certified member is a great honour and achievement for us. Thanks to the Responsible Jewellery Council, who, by its standards, drove us to improve our diamond practices and to strengthen our credibility", says Armand Szwarcburt, SDTC's CEO.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit organisation bringing together more than 400 member companies. RJC and its Members are committed to promoting responsible ethical, human rights, social and environmental practices in a transparent and accountable manner throughout the jewellery industry from mine to retail. This commitment aims to reinforce consumer and stakeholder confidence in diamond, gold and platinum metals jewellery products. The RJC has developed the RJC Member Certification system which applies to all Members' businesses that contribute to the diamond, gold and platinum metals jewellery supply chain. All Certified Members of the RJC are audited by accredited, third party auditors to verify their conformance with the RJC's Code of Practices. A voluntary Chain-of-Custody Standard has also been developed for gold and platinum group metals. The RJC is a Full Member of the ISEAL Alliance — the global association for sustainability standards. For more information on RJC Members, Certification, and Standards please visit www.responsiblejewellery.com

About SDTC

SDTC provides from renowned brands to independent jewellers with the same philosophy: "Absolute Service to Customer". Along with a steady supply of full range, consistent high quality polished diamonds, SDTC offers a tailored service to meet every customer's needs. The customer is definitely the centre of our concerns. SDTC always seeks to establish long term synergies and partnerships with clients and suppliers.

RJC Certification Information SDTC (Szwarcburt Diamond Trading Co BVBA)

RJC Certified Members