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RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL CERTIFIES CLOGAU GOLD OF WALES LTD

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that Clogau Gold of Wales Ltd, the jewellery manufacturer based in Wales, UK has achieved certification by meeting the highest ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC's Member Certification system.

"RJC warmly congratulates Clogau Gold Of Wales Ltd on its certification. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Roshini Wickramasinghe from SGS, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited to the RJC's Member Certification system," says Michael Rae, RJC's Chief Executive Officer.

"Here at Clogau we are very pleased to have become RJC certified as this reinforces both customers' and suppliers' confidence in our company as one that highly regards responsible business and jewellery practices. As the UK Jewellery Award's 2012 Brand of the Year, Clogau will continue to strive, and become a highly visible example, of RJC certification. We hope many more UK brands become compliant as well", says Ben Roberts, Managing Director Clogau Gold of Wales Ltd

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit organisation bringing together more than 370 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 <u>Full Member of the ISEAL</u> <u>Alliance</u> – the global association for sustainability standards. For more information on RJC Members, Certification, and Standards please visit <u>www.responsiblejewellery.com</u>

About Clogau Gold of Wales Ltd

Clogau has become recognised for creating unique handcrafted jewellery of the highest quality, beauty and originality. Within each piece of Clogau jewellery is a touch of the very same rare Welsh gold as used by British Royalty for over 100 years, making it some of the most sought-after and exclusive jewellery in the world. Taking inspiration from the natural beauty of Wales, and a coveted Royal association, Clogau jewellery is chosen to mark the most precious of life's moments, acting as beautiful and lasting reminders of the milestones that touch our lives. For further information, please visit our website <u>www.clogau.co.uk</u> or <u>www.clogau.com</u>

RJC Certification Information – Clogau Gold of Wales Ltd

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