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I.D.R.P. BVBA CERTIFIED BY THE RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that I.D.R.P. BVBA, the Antwerp-based diamond rough and polishing manufacturer, has achieved certification by meeting the highest ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC's Member Certification System.

"RJC warmly congratulates I.D.R.P. BVBA on its certification. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Stefaan Beirens 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.

"I.D.R.P. is delighted to become an officially certified member of the Responsible Jewellery Council and believes this reflects our commitment to the principles and guidelines set out by the RJC. As part of our overall commitment to responsible sourcing we are passionate about delivering high standards for our customers in all areas of our sourcing activities, particularly in relation to business ethics, human rights, and social and environmental practices. It is a great honour to be recognized by the RJC for our ongoing work in these areas and this confirmation of our official certification is a source of pride for the teams involved," says Marcel Gotlib, I.D.R.P.'s Chairman.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit organisation bringing together more than 350 member companies 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. Their commitment aims to reinforce consumer and stakeholder confidence in diamond, gold and platinum group metals jewellery products. The Council has developed the RJC Member Certification System, a certification system, which will apply to all Members' businesses that contribute to the diamond, gold and platinum group metals jewellery supply chain. All Commercial Members of the RJC are required to be audited by accredited, third-party auditors to verify their conformance with the RJC's Code of Practices and become certified under the RJC Member Certification System. A full list of its Members can be found on the web at www.responsiblejewellery.com

About I.D.R.P. BVBA

I.D.R.P. group is a financially independent, diversified family business with two generation experience in the diamond industry. Constant rough trading ensures that rough and polished pricing is current and well-informed. Polished

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RJC Certification Information – I.D.R.P. BVBA

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