



## NEWS RELEASE

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### S.V. GEMS NV CERTIFIED BY THE RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL

LONDON – The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) today announced that S.V Gems NV, the Antwerp-based diamond cutting and polishing manufacturer, has achieved certification meeting the ethical, human rights, social and environmental standards as established by the RJC's Member Certification System.

"RJC warmly congratulates S.V Gems NV on its certification. The successful verification assessment of S.V Gems NV 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.

"The management of S.V. Gems NV is extremely delighted to receive the Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) certification reflecting the company's compliance with ethical, human rights, social and environmental standards as established by the RJC's Member Certification System. This certification is a great achievement for S V Gems in its continuous endeavor to follow international business practices. RJC Certification will further enhance the credibility of SV Gems in the international gems & jewellery market," says Abhay Shah, Director of SV Gems.

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#### About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit organisation bringing together more than 340 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](http://www.responsiblejewellery.com)

#### About S.V Gems NV

S.V. Gems NV incorporated in 1997 is a subsidiary of S. Vinodkumar International (SV Group), dealing in both Rough and Polished Diamonds. The company based in Antwerp, Belgium, is responsible for the rough diamond sourcing activities of

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the S V Group. It sources rough diamonds from the major mining companies and is an established buyer of rough from the secondary market. More information on [www.svinodkumar.com](http://www.svinodkumar.com)

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