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RJC RE-CERTIFIES HRD ANTWERP NV

LONDON - RJC announced today that HRD Antwerp NV has achieved Certification against the 2013 Code of Practices (COP) at its facilities in Antwerp, Mumbai and Istanbul.

“It is a pleasure to announce HRD Antwerp NV has been certified against the 2013 COP. The new provisions under the 2013 COP address important issues for our Members and their supply chain. We are delighted to see Members achieving Certification against the standard and warmly congratulate HRD Antwerp NV,” says Andrew Bone, RJC’s Executive Director.

The successful verification assessment was led by Ann Van Vlaenderen from Figurad Bedrijfsrevisoren, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited by the RJC.

“We are pleased to be certified by the RJC. It shows HRD Antwerp's ongoing commitment towards improving its already stringent quality standards, not only on a technical level, but also on an ethical level for one purpose only, to safeguard confidence in the diamond industry”, says Peter Macken, CEO of HRD Antwerp NV.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 700 Member companies that span the jewellery supply chain from mine to retail. RJC Members commit to and are independently audited against the RJC Code of Practices – an international standard on responsible business practices for diamonds, gold and platinum group metals. The Code of Practices addresses human rights, labour rights, environmental impact, mining practices, product disclosure and many more important topics in the jewellery supply chain. RJC also works with multi-stakeholder initiatives on responsible sourcing and supply chain due diligence. The RJC’s Chain-of-Custody Certification for precious metals supports these initiatives and can be used as a tool to deliver broader Member and stakeholder benefit.

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 HRD Antwerp NV

Founded in Antwerp in 1976, the HRD Antwerp is Europe’s leading authority in diamond certification and one of the largest and most respected diamond grading labs in the world and the most prominent laboratory to adhere to the grading standards set by the International Diamond Council (IDC), an authoritative body created more than 40 years ago by the

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World Federation of Diamond Bourses (WFDB) and the International Diamond Manufacturing Association (IDMA). HRD Antwerp diamond certificates are accepted internationally as documented assurances of a diamond's quality and authenticity. For more information, please visit www.hrdantwerp.com

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