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RJC CERTIFIES EL-RAN BVBA

LONDON - RJC announced today that EL-RAN BVBA has achieved Certification against the 2013 Code of Practices (COP) at its trading facility in Antwerp, Belgium.

"It is a pleasure to announce EL-RAN BVBA has been certified against the 2013 COP. The 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 EL-RAN BVBA," says Andrew Bone, RJC's Executive Director.

The successful verification assessment was led by Stefaan Beirens and Anne-Sophie De Vuyst from Figurad Bedrijfsrevisoren, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited by the RJC.

"Obtaining RJC Certification is a crowning achievement which is driving us to persist with the EL-RAN tradition of focusing on offering quality, advice and trust. Our mission is to provide diamonds with added value; we offer clients our personal knowledge and they can benefit from the many years of experience we gained in the sector. Our philosophy is to contribute to the customers' "Brand-Name" to strengthen and uphold their heritage and tradition," says Eyal Atzmon, CEO of EL-RAN BVBA.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 800 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 <u>Full Member of the ISEAL 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 EL-RAN BVBA

El-Ran Diamonds's roots go back to 1965 when the company (Atzmon Bros.) traded mostly in larger stones. In 1981, the second generation of the family entered the business and today, half a century after the firm was founded, El-Ran operates

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from their home base in Antwerp, at the heart of the diamond industry, where the El-Ran-team constantly works purposefully to pursue and maintain its ethical, social, environmental and commercial responsibilities. For more information about El-Ran Diamonds visit www.elran-diamonds.com

RJC Certification Information – EL-RAN BVBA

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