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FRENCH JEWELLERY MANUFACTURER, WELIZ ACHIEVES RJC CERTIFICATION

LONDON - RJC announced today that Weliz has achieved Certification against the 2013 Code of Practices (COP) at its manufacturing facility in Paris, France.

"It is a pleasure to announce Weliz 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 Weliz," says Andrew Bone, RJC's Executive Director.

The successful verification assessment was led by Anne-Lise Legrand from SGS United Kingdom Limited, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited by the RJC.

"Weliz is proud to announce its recent RJC Certification. As an organisation we are very much aligned with the RJC's objectives to uphold human, ecological and fair trade values. We are very proud to join the ranks of fellow RJC Certified Members," says Levon Sabunci, CEO of Weliz.

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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 <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 Weliz

Weliz was founded in Paris in 2008 as an initiative of CEO Levon Sabunci. Weliz is proud of its diversity in its range of highend jewellery and jewellery products. Weliz works in accordance with traditional methods, without neglecting modernity with computer assisted design. Our partners are key players in the sectors in Paris and Europeans marketplace.

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