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RJC CERTIFIES OROAFRICA

LONDON - RJC announced today that OROAFRICA, the South African jewellery manufacturer, has achieved Certification by meeting the ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC.

"RJC warmly congratulates OROAFRICA on its Certification. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Winnie Maika from SGS, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited by the RJC," says Catherine Sproule, RJC's Chief Executive Officer - Interim.

"We are immensely proud of our initiative which positions OROAFRICA at the cutting edge of this concerted global drive to promote responsible, ethical, human rights, social and environmental practices across the jewellery supply chain," says Gary Nathan, CEO, OROAFRICA.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 480 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 OROAFRICA

OROAFRICA was founded in Johannesburg in 1945 as a small family business, manufacturing and wholesaling jewellery. OROAFRICA is built on a strong set of values; respect, trust and integrity characterise our interactions both internally and externally. We never compromise these principles and they are the foundations upon which our phenomenal growth and success has occurred. These values together with a clear vision for the future attracted Anglogold Ashanti, a world leading gold mining company, to acquire a 37% share in OROAFRICA.

OROAFRICA's head office is located in South Africa's "mother city", Cape Town. There, our state of the art Design Lab takes product innovation to new levels. Our distribution centre, powered by a Microsoft ERP system ensures customers across the globe receive their orders large or small on time.

Our mission is to ensure our customers are successful. Our success is determined by our people. As South Africa's leading Jewellery Company, we recruit and train talented people, constantly improving in our ability to provide solutions that add value to our customers.

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In achieving our mission, we realise we are not in this world alone. The ultimate measure of our success will not only be the impact we make on our customers and our staff, but on the lives of people and communities around us. This ongoing commitment is driven by our desire to make a difference.

RJC Certification Information – OROAFRICA

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