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WINDIAM BVBA – RE-CERTIFIED BY THE RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that the Antwerp - based diamond trader, Windiam BVBA, has achieved re-certification by meeting the ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC's Member Certification System.

"RJC congratulates Windiam BVBA on achieving re-certification. After a Member has become RJC Certified for the first time, independent verification is required at the end of each certification period to ensure continued conformance and to maintain Certified Member status. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Stefaan Beirens from Figurat Bedrijfsrevisoren, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited to the RJC's Member Certification system," says Catherine Sproule, RJC's Chief Executive Officer - Interim.

"Here at Windiam, we believe in growth driven by strong relationships at all levels of our activity. We actively strive to build equitable, mutually beneficial, long-term relationships with our customers, colleagues and suppliers alike. We see the RJC certification as a confirmation of our business philosophy. We are proud to rise to the high standards of the RJC and enthusiastic to be officially recognized for our drive towards bringing the diamond industry into a new era," say Gon Raz and Alex Jaffe, Directors of the Windiam Group.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 460 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 Windiam BVBA

Windiam is a key purchaser of large volumes of rough and polished diamonds from primary sources around the world and has quickly grown to be a preferred diamond supplier for a wide range of companies. Our customers include independent jewellers as well as some of the world's leading watch and jewellery manufacturers and groups. Windiam's business is divided into two departments: rough diamonds and polished diamonds. Our team consists of highly qualified rough and polished diamond professionals who have a proven track record in bringing customers their desired stones within the optimum time-frame.

For more information please visit our official website: www.windiam.net

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