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RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL CERTIFIES WINDIAM BVBA

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

"RJC warmly congratulates Windiam BVBA on its certification. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Stefaan Beirens from WF&Co., one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited to the RJC's Member Certification system," says Michael Rae, RJC's Chief Executive Officer.

"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 of our Antwerp operation as a confirmation of our business philosophy. We are proud to rise to the high standards of the RJC and enthusiastic about being officially recognised for our drive towards bringing the diamond industry into a new era," said Gon Raz and Alex Jaffe, Directors of Windiam Group.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit organisation bringing together more than 415 member companies. RJC and its Members are committed to promoting responsible ethical, human rights, social and environmental practices in a transparent and accountable manner throughout the jewellery industry from mine to retail. This commitment aims to reinforce consumer and stakeholder confidence in diamond, gold and platinum metals jewellery products. The RJC has developed the RJC Member Certification system which applies to all Members' businesses that contribute to the diamond, gold and platinum metals jewellery supply chain. All Certified Members of the RJC are audited by accredited, third party auditors to verify their conformance with the RJC's Code of Practices. A voluntary Chain-of-Custody Standard has also been developed for gold and platinum group metals. 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

Established in 1991, Windiam is a key purchaser of large volumes of diversified rough and polished diamonds from primary sources around the world and a firmly established diamond supplier for companies ranging from independent jewelers to some of the world's leading watch and jewellery manufacturers. Windiam headquarters are situated in Antwerp, at the heart of the diamond industry. Combined with representation across 20 other countries, the company is ideally equipped to respond swiftly and professionally to any customer requirements. Windiam employs 30 staff in its RJC certified Antwerp operation and over 100 employees in its other operations. Through the scope and depth of its international operations, Windiam has a clear and actionable understanding of

market conditions and industry trends. This awareness allows the company to bring innovation to the global and local markets it serves. For more information please visit our official website: www.windiam.net

RJC Certification Information Windiam BVBA

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