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RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL CERTIFIES LEGOR GROUP S.p.A.

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that Legor Group S.p.A., the Bressanvido - based gold and platinum alloy, master alloy and plating solutions producer, has achieved certification by meeting the highest ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC's Member Certification system.

"RJC warmly congratulates Legor Group S.p.A. on its certification. The successful verification assessment was conducted by UL, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited to the RJC's Member Certification system," says Michael Rae, RJC's Chief Executive Officer.

"In 1979 my father Gianni decided to assist a friend in his activity of artisan production of master alloys dedicated to the jewellery industry, providing support for sales and analyzing market requirements. This pioneering business idea together with genuine values and authentic principles has set the success of the Legor Group throughout the years. Respect - of People, of the Environment and of Regulations - is the fundamental value entrusted by all Legor Group Companies. It indeed mirrors our desire to return "what has been borrowed from our children", as quoted in an ancient American native proverb. The RJC certification confirms all our beliefs and efforts for a better future," says Massimo Poliero, CEO of Legor Group S.p.A.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit organisation bringing together more than 420 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 <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 Legor Group S.p.A

Legor Group S.p.A. is first and foremost a metallurgy specialist dedicated to the research of solutions that serve jewellery manufacturers, with the primary divisions master alloy and plating.

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The Responsible Jewellery Council is the trading name of the Council for Responsible Jewellery Practices Ltd. The Council for Responsible Jewellery Practices Ltd, First Floor, Dudley House, 34-38 Southampton Street, London, UK, WC2E 7HF. The Council for Responsible Jewellery Practices Ltd is registered in England and Wales with company number 05449042. The multinational organization of the company allows for comprehensive on-the-ground presence worldwide. Technological know-how and high standards of specialization are the distinguishing features of the corporation. Cutting edge Research & Development activity carried out within the company guarantees the quality and performance of products that differentiate Legor Group in the industry.

In the company R&D lab, a team of technical specialists works alongside international researchers and consultants, universities, organizations, and private firms to test and propose innovative technological solutions. Product and process innovation remain the Group's strengths and are considered the basis for growth together with in-depth understanding of local markets and customers' requirements.

A strong family tradition and passion, since 1979, constitutes the link between research and jewellery. More information at <u>www.legorgroup.com</u>

RJC Certification Information Legor Group S.p.A

RJC Certified Members

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