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Dear Stakeholders,

The new coronavirus disease, officially named COVID-19, has been declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization.

Members of the jewellery and watch industry are going through a challenging time, affected by the current health and economic climate.

The Responsible Jewellery Council would like to extend its thoughts to all stakeholders and their families around the world.

As the virus continues to spread extensively, we have taken additional precautionary measures. We need to be proactive and minimise the risk of the virus spreading.

Everyone's health, safety and well-being during this global health emergency is paramount. As a result, from Monday 16 March the RJC team will operate remotely for the next two weeks - while we monitor this situation.

All RJC Auditors have been notified and received additional information on managing member audits during this period.

We thank you for your continued support.

*Be safe,
Kindest regards,*



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