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MESSAGE TO THE SECTOR:

SUBJECT: NEW SERVICE DIAMOND OFFICE:
RESEALING OF GOODS



Based on the Royal Decree of April 30, 2004, the acknowledged experts of Diamond Office conduct the physical inspection of the diamonds imported into or exported outside the Kingdom of Belgium: they compare the data of the diamonds in terms of value, weight and qualification with those mentioned on the documents submitted to evidence the declaration. In order to perform this inspection, all parcels are opened, even lots are opened. As a result, the initial provenance of the goods may not longer be guaranteed in some cases.

At the request of the industry, and as from May 1, 2014, AWDC Diamond Office starts with a new service, namely the resealing of lots or shipments. **Upon prior explicit request** of the importer or exporter, a lot or a parcel can be resealed after the inspection. For this purpose Diamond Office foresees special seals, and also keeps record of the sealed goods in case a statement to a third party needs to be drafted. Diamond Office will charge a fee of 25,00 euros per seal used for this service.

In order to make use of this service, please take contact with the management of Diamond Office in advance. Contact details are available on www.diamondoffice.be.

Additional information on this new service can be requested via diof@awdc.be.