

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1226/2007**of 17 October 2007****amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2368/2002 implementing the Kimberley Process certification scheme for the international trade in rough diamonds**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2368/2002 implementing the Kimberley Process certification scheme for the international trade in rough diamonds ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1038/2007 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 19 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 19 of Regulation (EC) No 2368/2002 provides for a list of Community authorities to be maintained by the Commission in Annex III;
- (2) Bulgaria has designated a Community authority and has informed the Commission thereof. The Commission concluded that sufficient evidence was provided that this authority can reliably, timely, effectively and

adequately fulfil the tasks required by Chapters II, III and V of Regulation (EC) No 2368/2002.

- (3) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee designated in Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 2368/2002,
- (4) Annex III should be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 2368/2002 is hereby replaced by the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 17 October 2007.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 358, 31.12.2002, p. 28.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 238, 11.9.2007, p. 23.

ANNEX

‘ANNEX III

List of Member States’ competent authorities and their tasks as referred to in Articles 2 and 19

BELGIUM

Federale Overheidsdienst Economie, KMO, Middenstand en Energie, Dienst Vergunningen/Service Public Fédéral Economie, PME, Classes moyennes et Energie, Service Licence,

Italiëlei 124, bus 71
B-2000 Antwerpen
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In Belgium the controls of imports and exports of rough diamonds required by Regulation (EC) No 2368/2002 and the customs treatment will only be done at:

The Diamond Office
Hovenierstraat 22
B-2018 Antwerpen

BULGARIA

Ministry of Finance
External Finance Directorate
102, G. Rakovski str.
Sofia, 1040
Bulgaria
Tel. (359-2) 98 59 24 01/98 59 24 10/98 59 24 15
Fax (359-2) 98 12 498
E-mail: extfin@minfin.bg

CZECH REPUBLIC

In the Czech Republic the controls of imports and exports of rough diamonds required by Regulation (EC) No 2368/2002 and the customs treatment will only be done at:

Generální ředitelství cel
Budějovická 7
140 96 Praha 4
Česká republika
Tel. (420-2) 61 33 38 41, (420-2) 61 33 38 59, cell (420-737) 213 793
Fax (420-2) 61 33 38 70
E-mail: diamond@cs.mfcr.cz

GERMANY

In Germany the controls of imports and exports of rough diamonds required by Regulation (EC) No 2368/2002, including the issuing of Community certificates, will only be done at the following authority:

Hauptzollamt Koblenz
Zollamt Idar-Oberstein
Zertifizierungsstelle für Rohdiamanten
Hauptstraße 197
D-55743 Idar-Oberstein
Tel. (49-6781) 56 27-0
Fax (49-6781) 56 27-19
E-mail: poststelle@zabir.bfinv.de

For the purpose of Articles 5(3), 6, 9, 10, 14(3), 15 and 17 of this Regulation, concerning in particular reporting obligations to the Commission, the following authority shall act as competent German authority:

Oberfinanzdirektion Koblenz
Zoll- und Verbrauchsteuerabteilung
Vorort Außenwirtschaftsrecht
Postfach 10 07 64
D-67407 Neustadt/Weinstraße
Tel. (49-6321) 89 43 49
Fax (49-6321) 89 48 50
E-mail: diamond.cert@ofdko-nw.bfinv.de

ROMANIA

Autoritatea Națională pentru Protecția Consumatorilor
Direcția Metale Prețioase și Pietre Prețioase
Strada Georges Clemenceau nr. 5, sectorul 1
București, România
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