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### **Supply Chain Policy of REMONDIS PMR BV for a Responsible Global Supply Chain of Minerals**

REMONDIS PMR BV as part of the German RETHMANN Group, is certified LBMA Associate member and is conform with the RMI's RMAP Assessment. Therefore, we act in accordance with the internal Corporate Governance rules and comply to all laws and regulations in the European Union. Precious metals are a necessary and highly valuable commodity in a lot of major industries. Traceability of the Supply Chain becomes even more critical these days. As one of the biggest recycling companies for industrial waste products from secondary sources, REMONDIS follows strict internal procedures and is committed to adopting the due diligence steps described in the (Gold Supplement of the) OECD Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains to ensure all metals that are processed and handled by REMONDIS PMR BV are conflict free. Remondis applies this concept not only to Gold, but also to other precious metals as Silver, Palladium, Platinum and Rhodium. However the focus might be on precious metals, all incoming waste stream undergo the same process for approval and acceptance, which also involves other metals.

Recognising that risks of significant adverse impacts which may be associated with extracting, trading, handling and exporting minerals from conflict-affected and high-risk areas, and recognising that we, as REMONDIS, have the responsibility to respect human rights and not contribute to conflict, terrorism and money laundering, we commit to adopt, widely disseminate and incorporate in contracts and/or agreements with suppliers the following policy on responsible sourcing of minerals from conflict affected and high-risk areas, as representing a common reference for conflict-sensitive sourcing practices and suppliers' risk awareness from the point of extraction until end user. We commit, as LBMA certified company, to refraining from any action which contributes to the financing of conflict and terrorism and we commit to comply with relevant United Nations sanctions resolutions or, where applicable, domestic laws implementing such resolutions.

#### **Regarding serious abuses associated with the extraction, transport or trade of minerals:**

1. While sourcing from, or operating in, conflict-affected and high-risk areas, we will neither tolerate nor by any means profit

from, contribute to, assist with or facilitate the commission by any party of:

- i) any forms of torture, cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment;
- ii) any forms of forced or compulsory labour, which means work or service which is exacted from any person under the menace of penalty and for which said person has not offered himself voluntarily;
- iii) the worst forms of child labour;
- iv) other gross human rights violations and abuses such as widespread sexual violence;

v) war crimes or other serious violations of international humanitarian law, crimes against humanity or genocide.

**Regarding risk management of serious abuses associated with the extraction, transport or trade of minerals:**

2. We will immediately suspend or discontinue engagement with upstream suppliers where we identify a reasonable risk that they are sourcing from, or linked to, any party committing serious abuses as defined in paragraph 1.

**Regarding direct or indirect support to illegitimate non-state armed groups:**

3. We will not tolerate any direct or indirect support to illegitimate non-state armed groups through the extraction, transport, trade, handling or export of minerals. "Direct or indirect support" to illegitimate non-state armed groups through the extraction, transport, trade, handling or export of minerals includes, but is not limited to, procuring minerals from, making payments to or otherwise providing logistical assistance or equipment to, illegitimate non-state armed groups or their affiliates who:

- i) illegally control mines, sites, traders or other intermediaries, and transport routes through the supply chains; and/or
- ii) illegally tax or extort money or minerals through the supply chains; and/or
- iii) illegally tax or extort intermediaries, export companies or international traders.

**Regarding risk management of direct or indirect support to illegitimate non-state armed groups:**

4. We will immediately suspend or discontinue engagement with upstream suppliers where we identify a reasonable risk that they are sourcing from, or linked to, any party providing direct or indirect support to illegitimate non-state armed groups as defined in paragraph 3.

**Regarding public or private security forces:**

5. We agree to eliminate, in accordance with paragraph 10, direct or indirect support to public or private security forces who illegally control mine sites, transportation routes and upstream actors in the supply chain; illegally tax or extort money or minerals at point of access to mine sites, along transportation routes or at points where minerals are traded; or illegally tax or extort intermediaries, export companies or international traders.

6. We recognise that the role of public or private security forces at the mine sites and/or surrounding areas and/or along transportation routes should be solely to maintain the rule of law, including safeguarding human rights, providing security to mine workers, equipment and facilities, and protecting the mine site or transportation routes from interference with legitimate extraction and trade.

7. Where we or any company in our supply chain contract public or private security forces, we commit to or we will require that such security forces will be engaged in accordance with the Voluntary Principles on Security and Human Rights. In particular, we will support or take steps, to adopt screening policies to ensure that individuals or units of security forces that are known to have been responsible for gross human rights abuses will not be hired.

8. We will support efforts, or take steps, to engage with central or local authorities, international organisations and civil society organisations to contribute to workable solutions on how transparency, proportionality and accountability in payments made to public security forces for the provision of security could be improved.

9. We will support efforts, or take steps, to engage with local authorities, international organisations and civil society organisations to avoid or minimise the exposure of vulnerable groups, in particular, artisanal miners where minerals in the supply chain are extracted through artisanal or small-scale mining, to adverse impacts associated with the presence of security forces, public or private, on mine sites.



**Regarding risk management of public or private security forces:**

10. In accordance with the specific position of the company in the supply chain, we will immediately devise, adopt and implement a risk management plan with upstream suppliers and other stakeholders to prevent or mitigate the risk of direct or indirect support to public or private security forces, as identified in paragraph 5, where we identify that such a reasonable risk exists. In such cases, we will suspend or discontinue engagement with upstream suppliers after failed attempts at mitigation within six months from the adoption of the risk management plan. Where we identify a reasonable risk of activities inconsistent with paragraphs 8 and 9, we will respond in the same vein.

**Regarding bribery and fraudulent misrepresentation of the origin of minerals:**

11. We will not offer, promise, give or demand any bribes, and will resist the solicitation of bribes to conceal or disguise the origin of minerals, to misrepresent taxes, fees and royalties paid to governments for the purposes of mineral extraction, trade, handling, transport and export.

**Regarding money laundering or terrorism financing:**

12. We will support efforts, or take steps, to contribute to the effective elimination of money laundering where we identify a reasonable risk of money-laundering resulting from, or connected to, the extraction, trade, handling, transport or export of minerals derived from the illegal taxation or extortion of minerals at points of access to mine sites, along transportation routes or at points where minerals are traded by upstream suppliers. We will take all necessary steps to avoid engaging with any entity or individual known or suspected to be involved in terrorism financing. These steps include conducting rigorous due diligence on all counterparties, including enhanced scrutiny of those operating in high-risk areas.

**Regarding the non-compliance with taxes, fees and royalties due to governments related to mineral extraction, trade and export from CAHRAs:**

13. We will ensure that all taxes, fees, and royalties related to mineral extraction, trade and export from conflict-affected and high-risk areas are paid to governments and, in accordance with the company's position in the supply chain, we commit to disclose such payments in accordance with the principles set forth under the Extractive Industry Transparency Initiative (EITI).

**Regarding the contribution to conflict:**

14. We will take a risk-based approach to due diligence, ensuring that we identify, assess and mitigate any risks of contributing to conflict in our supply chain. We only source recycled silver from suppliers who comply with the highest standards of ethical business practices, and we conduct regular assessments to verify that our supply chain partners uphold these commitments. We are dedicated to maintaining transparency and responsibility throughout our operations to ensure that our activities do not directly or indirectly finance armed conflict or foster human rights violations. Furthermore, we strictly prohibit any form of corruption, extortion or embezzlement and ensure that all transactions and relationships within our supply chain are conducted in a transparent, lawful and ethical manner.

**Regarding risk management of bribery and fraudulent misrepresentation of the origin of minerals, money-laundering or terrorism financing and payment of taxes, fees and royalties to governments and contribution to conflict:**

15. In accordance with the specific position of the company in the supply chain, we commit to engage with suppliers, central or local governmental authorities, international organisations, civil society and affected third parties, as

appropriate, to improve and track performance with a view to preventing or mitigating risks of adverse impacts through measurable steps taken in reasonable timescales. We will suspend or discontinue engagement with upstream suppliers after failed attempts at mitigation.

**Regarding compliance with environmental, health, safety and labour regulations:**

16. We will commit to upholding the highest standards of health, safety and labour regulations throughout our supply chain. We require all suppliers and subcontractors to comply with applicable local, national and international laws and regulations regarding workplace health and safety, as well as labor rights. This includes fair remuneration, non-discrimination and diversity, reasonable working hours and the right to collective bargaining. We require all business partners to adhere to stringent environmental regulations and best practices to minimize their ecological footprint. This includes the responsible sourcing, handling and processing of materials, with a focus on reducing emissions, conserving resources by reducing water and energy consumption and preventing pollution.

**Regarding risk management of compliance with environmental, health, safety and labour regulations:**

17. We conduct thorough due diligence on all counterparties to verify compliance with environmental regulations, social standards and ethical governance. Our approach includes regular monitoring and engagement with stakeholders to address any identified issues proactively and ensure continuous improvement.

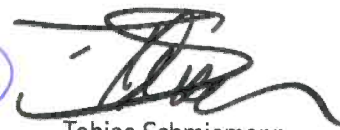
All our suppliers/customers accept to comply to this policy and the values and mindset, by entering into a business engagement with REMONDIS PMR BV and by accepting the offer for the services provided by REMONDIS PMR BV. They acknowledge to perform a due diligence themselves to act as a responsible actor within the Supply Chain. In case of non-compliance, REMONDIS PMR BV will try to resolve the remaining issues with the counterparty. If this is not possible REMONDIS PMR BV reserves the right to stop the business engagement.

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