Côte d’Ivoire Efforts to Meet KP Minimum Standards

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I. OVERVIEW
Discoveries:
- Séguéla (1927)
- Tortiya (1946)

Production:
- 1990 – 2002: 300,000 cts (US$25 million)
- 2002 – 2005: 100,000 cts (US$12 million)
Diamond mining in Côte d’Ivoire is largely artisanal. The key laws governing the industry are:

- **The Mining Code (Law No. 95-553 of July 18, 1995), particularly Articles 42-52**
- **Decree implementing the Mining Code, particularly Articles 58-67 and 85-96**
- **Decree No. 2003-143 of May 30, 2003, regulating the rough diamond trade in accordance with KP standards**
- **Note: The Mining Code is currently under revision**
Three (3) key institutions work together in perfect symbiosis:

1. Permanent Secretariat for the Kimberley Process in Côte d’Ivoire (technical coordination of activities)
2. Office of Mines and Geology (mining administration)
3. SODEMI (Government mining company providing technical guidance for mine operators in Séguéla)
II. CÔTE D’IVOIRE ACTIONS SINCE MAY 2011
Redeployment of Mining Administration in diamond production zones (SODEMI, Ministry of Mines, prefecture and sub-prefecture officials, etc.)

Several field missions organized by the Focal Point to meet with local players (i.e., mission with “Friends of Côte d’Ivoire” Ambassadors)

Participation of Côte d’Ivoire in international meetings (i.e. June 2012 Intersessional in Washington DC)
Establishment of National PK Secretariat

Order No. 0019 of May 18, 2012, on the establishment of the Permanent Secretariat for the Kimberley Process in Côte d’Ivoire (PSKP-CI)

Decree No. 0020 of May 18, 2012, on the appointment of the Focal Point, Permanent Secretariat for the Kimberley Process in Côte d’Ivoire

Decree No. 074 of September 26, 2012, on the appointment of Members of the Permanent Secretariat for the Kimberley Process in Côte d’Ivoire

Official presentation of members of the Permanent Secretariat on Friday, October 5, 2012, in the presence of the Minister

Regular meetings of the Permanent Secretariat
Controls, Education, and Teleconferences

- Issuance of Internal Control aids:
  - production registers
  - miner cards
  - collector cards
  - collector purchase receipt books
  - buyer purchase receipt books

- Awareness-raising workshop in Séguéla for members of the Ivorian diamond industry (November 2-3, 2012)

- Participation in teleconferences with KP bodies
Internal Control aids (1/5)
### Internal Control aids (2/5)

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Internal Control aids (3/5)
Internal Control aids (5/5)

REÇUS DE BUREAU D'ACHAT DE DIAMANTS

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MINISTÈRE DES MINES, DU PétROLE ET DE L'ÉNERGIE

RÉPUBLIQUE DE CÔTE D'IVOIRE

Union - Discipline - Travail

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<td>4. Issue artisanal mining permits</td>
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<td>6. Training seminar for customs officials</td>
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<td>7. International technical assistance (provision of international KP expert)</td>
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<td>8. KP awareness workshop in Abidjan</td>
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Key Points

• Internal control system (implementation underway)
  • education for industry workers
  • census of operators and issuance of operating permits
  • strict monitoring of production using control aids

• Technical assistance: The Minister has already submitted a request to the KP Chair (starting mid-January 2013)

• Establishment of a structure for collection and storage of mined diamonds (Feb. – March 2013)

• Updating of certificate of origin: efforts underway with Belgian authorities (late March 2013)
III. PHOTOS – PSKP-CI ACTIVITIES
“Friends of Côte d’Ivoire” Ambassadors Visit to Séguéla (1)
“Friends of Côte d’Ivoire” Ambassadors Visit to Séguéla (2)
“Friends of Côte d’Ivoire” Ambassadors Visit to Séguéla (3)
“Friends of Côte d’Ivoire” Ambassadors Visit to Séguéla (4)
MINISTÈRE DES MINES, DU PETROLE ET DE L’ÉNERGIE
Sous le Parrainage et la présence effective de M. Adama TOUNGARA

Cérémonie de présentation des Membres du Secrétariat Permanent de la Représentation du Processus de Kimberley en Côte d’Ivoire.

Date : Vendredi 05 Oct 2012 à 10 h
Lieu : 20e étage de l’immeuble Sciam au Plateau
Presentation of PSKP-CI Members (2)
Presentation of PSKP-CI Members (4)
Presentation of PSKP-CI Members (5)
Awareness-raising Workshop in Séguéla (1)
Awareness-raising Workshop in Séguéla (2)
Awareness-raising Workshop in Séguéla (3)
Awareness-raising Workshop in Séguéla (4)
Awareness-raising Workshop in Séguéla (5)
Conclusions

- Côte d’Ivoire has made significant efforts since 2011 and is committed to ongoing efforts to come into compliance with KP standards
- Thank you to all of the KP participants who are providing technical assistance to Côte d’Ivoire
- Côte d’Ivoire is involved in subregional cooperation in the framework of KP implementation (Guinea, Ghana)
CÔTE D’IVOIRE WILL CONTINUE WORKING TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH KP MINIMUM STANDARDS WITH A VIEW TO LIFTING OF THE BAN ON TRADE IN IVORIAN DIAMONDS
Thank You all for your attention and for your support for Côte d’Ivoire