This first report is relative to the main activities of 2012, analyzed on the framework of implementing the principles and requirements of the Kimberley Process in the Republic of Cameroon, since her admission on the 14th of August 2012.

It has been set out in conformity with section VI, paragraph 11 based on the core documents of the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme (KPCS), also in accordance with the sections and contents required for the production of annual reports, as mentioned in annex 1 of the Administrative Decision of Internal Controls (ADIC).

The present report also takes into consideration the recommendations made by the Participatory Experts Committee to the Kimberley Process, during their mission in the Republic of Cameroon on the 10th - 12th July 2012. The said report has become a guideline for our actions to set out a robust and transparent aquarium type system.

A. INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

This concerns the relevant authorities designated by the State of Cameroon to issue, conduct, coordinate and follow up the implementation of the KPCS in the national territory.

1- The authority in charge of Mines

1 a) The Minister of Mines, Industry and Technological Development (MINMIDT) of the Republic of Cameroon, Emmanuel BONDE.
1b) The Director of Mines

Dr Jean Kisito MVOGO

Civil Engineer of Mines

MINMIDT – YAOUNDE

CAMEROON

Tel: (237) 22 22 61 70

e-mail: mjkisito@yahoo.fr

2- The National Permanent Secretariat for the Kimberley Process

As the interface between the State of Cameroon and the organs of the KP, the NATIONAL PERMANENT SECRETARIAT FOR THE KIMBERLEY PROCESS is Cameroon authorized body specifically in charge of the implementation in Cameroon of all missions related to the smooth functioning of the international observatory organization, the KP.

The NATIONAL PERMANENT SECRETARIAT ensures the traceability and certification of rough diamonds in Cameroon, from exploitation sites to exportation, verification of compliance with diamonds imported or reported in the Process, for this reason, its address and the names of the persons to be contacted when need arises, in conformity with section IV (b) of the core document of the KIMBERLEY PROCESS CERTIFICATION SCHEME are:

2a) National Permanent Secretariat for the Kimberley Process

Head office:

Narvick Street 6th floor Intek Building, Opposite former American Embassy

P.O. Box: 35 601 Yaounde/Bastos – Cameroon

Tel: (237) 22 22 84 12

Website: www.snp-pk.com
2b) **Relevant persons to contact**

- **Dr Jean Kisito MVOGO**
  National Permanent Secretary for the Kimberley Process and Director of Mines in the MINMIDT
  
  Tel: (237) 22 22 84 12
  
  e-mail: mjksito@yahoo.fr

3 c) **The Office of Diamond Valuation and Appraisal**

Under the authority of the National Permanent Secretary, the office is tasked with the valuation and expertise of rough diamonds destined to export. The issuing of the Kimberley Process Certificate bearing the exclusive signatures of the Minister in charge of Mines and the Permanent National Secretary shall depend on this valuation and expertise.

**Relevant persons to contact**

- **Mr Tehna Nathanael**
  Expert Evaluator, OFFICE OF DIAMOND VALUATION AND APPRAISAL /NSP/PK
  
  Tel : (237) 22 22 84 12 / (237) 74 46 98 84
  Email ntehna@yahoo.fr

- **Dr. Clotilde SABAL-LECCO**
  PH. D, Senior Consultant
  
  Tel: (237) 22 22 84 12 / (237) 75 50 24 06
  e-mail: lapoucette@yahoo.fr

**Mrs Oubilitek Catherine**

Coordinator for focal point

Tel.(237) 99800077 /
Email :oubilitekc@yahoo.com

B) LEGAL FRAMEWORK

- Decree N° 2011/3666/PM of 02 Nov. 2011 on the creation, organization and functioning of the KPCS in the Republic of Cameroon.
- Order N° 002/02/MINMIDT/CAB of 14th June 2012 fixing the modalities for exportation, importation and commercialization of rough diamonds.
- Law N° 001 of 16th April 2001 defining the mining code, modified and completed by law 2011/011 of 29th July 2010;
- Decree N°2012/432 of 1st October 2012 defining the organization of the Ministry of Mines, Industry and Technological Development.

C) THE SYSTEM OF EXPORTATION AND IMPORTATION

The system of exportation and importation is governed by order N° 2102/MINMIDT/CAB of 14th June 2012 fixing the modalities of exportation, importation and the commercialization of rough diamonds in the Republic of Cameroon.

1) Exportations

Prior to exportations, the exporter is bound to respect the rules set forth before the National Permanent Secretariat for the Kimberley Process starts the Procedure for the Certification and Exportation of the rough diamonds in his possession.
These documents he should present are the following:

a) An exportation authorization addressed to the NPS/KP describing the weight and the declared value of the diamonds, the name of the exporter and the Kimberley Process Participant country of destination;
b) A certified true copy of prospection card for the purchase office and the individual;
c) A copy of traceability documents (Purchasing voucher for artisan collector, Purchasing voucher for the purchase office, Prospector card for the collector, Receipts of different transactions issued);
d) A certified true copy of the order defining the authorization for the creation of Purchase and sales office for precious substance or mineral;
e) A certified true copy of a valid license;
f) A certified true copy of business license;
g) Location plan of the purchase office;
h) Photocopy of the exporter’s Passport and flight tickets.
i) Bank account numbers within or outside the country;

The Kimberley Certificate is printed on money paper and shows informations about the country of origin (mining site) of the diamonds, the names and address of exporter, the HS code, total carat weight, and value in US dollars, the number of parcels and references, the shipment number, the name and address of consignee, the issuing and expiry dates, the signatures of both the National Permanent Secretary and the Minister in charge of Mines. It bears two removable slits, one of which serves as the confirmation slit.

2-Importation

For the same reasons as for the exportations, the Office of Diamond Evaluation and Appraisal had registered no importation in 2012.
D- SYSTEMS OF INTERNAL CONTROLS, OF PRODUCTION AND COMMERCIALIZATION OF ROUGH DIAMONDS

1- On traceability

Since the visit of the Participatory Expert Committee for the KP in July 2012, Cameroon took a firm decision to implement the principles and requirements of the KPCS adopting the recommendations of the said committee.

From then, the main activities of NSP/KP consisted in the sensitization and identification of actors involved in the production, control and commercialization of rough diamonds for a better traceability with regard to section III of decree N°2011/3666/PM of 02 November 2011, defining the creation, organization and functioning of the KPCS in the Republic of Cameroon in accordance with sections 19, 20, 21 and 23, also order N°002102/MINMIDT/CAB fixing the modalities for exportation, importation and commercialization of rough diamonds as laid down in section 6. These activities were achieved as follow:

- Establishment of a traceability procedure for rough diamonds from production to exportation.
- Multiplication of sensitization meetings, the most important being that presided over by the Minister in charge of Mines in the very rich mining region of the East Region of Cameroon from 24th – 25th October 2012.

- Location of production and extracting areas during the review mission on the site of exploitation of the company CNK MINING at Mobilong (East region), from the 18th to the 19th of November 2012, and at the same occasion, the installation of a Focal Point in this mining site;
- Rapid campaign on the compliance of all the actors in the diamond sectors to the KP requirements so as to create a databank. The campaign does not
only involve the actors, but also to the organization of civil societies, the media, and the clergymen.
- Know-how of packaging system of parcels in inviolable containers.
- Finalization of the KP certificate in Cameroon with the 4th generation hologram. All certificates issued shall be scanned and the numerical photos of exported diamonds stocked in the archives of the Office of Diamond Valuation and Appraisal and sent after every month to the WGDE.

2- Fight against smuggling

The fight against smuggling includes money laundering and the importance to update exportation data on a quarter basis, so as to compare the statistic data of exportation to those of importation. A mission to Dubai was initiated for the Cameroon KP Focal Points to follow a training concerning the fight against smuggling, money laundering and establishment of a system of internal controls at the International Gemological Institute (IGI), DMCC.

E- STATISTICS

Neither exportations nor importations were reported in 2012.

F- IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PARTICIPATORY EXPERT COMMITTEE VISIT FOR THE KP

Some of the recommendations of the KP Participatory Committee have been implemented. We have by so doing, gone forward in the institutional framework and reinforcement of capacities of the employees through the training of the members of the Office of Diamond Valuation and Appraisal on diamond evaluation by three experts from the Central African Republic from the 10th to the 17th of October 2012. Furthermore, this team followed a training of the same purpose at the IGI, DMCC, Dubai from the 21st to the 23rd of October 2012.
G- REGISTERED OR APPREHENDED FRAUD

One case of fraud was recorded in 2012. The fraudulent certificate was issued in Cameroon by the exporter named AKONG Joel AKONG, for a total carat weight of 15.69 and a value of 3300 US Dollars. The said exporter is now part of the NPS/KP black list.

H- MISCELLANEOUS

A Cameroonian delegation attended the ninth Kimberley Process Certification Scheme Plenary at Washington DC, United States of America, from the 27th to the 30th of November 2012. During this event, the KP Chair appreciated the quality of the Cameroonian KP Certificate for its tamper and forgery resistance. This shows how implied Cameroon was, considering it was its first time to attend an event of this magnitude.