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AngloGold Ashanti is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Ferdinand (Fred) Ohene-Kena to its Board of Directors with effect from 1 June 2010.

Fred Ohene-Kena (MSc Engineering; DIC and ACSM), is the former Ghanaian Minister of Mines and Energy and is currently a member of the Ghana Judicial Council, is the Chairman of the Ghana Minerals Commission and is a member of the President's Economic Advisory Council.

Russell Edey, Chairman of the Board of Directors, commented: "Mr Ohene-Kena has had a long association with Ashanti, having served as a member of the Board of Ashanti Goldfields, prior to its merger with AngloGold. He currently serves on AngloGold

Ashanti's subsidiary companies in Ghana and Guinea. We welcome Mr Ohene-Kena to our board and look forward to the contribution that he will doubtless make to the success and sound governance of AngloGold Ashanti".

Avocet Mining Plc

Avocet Mining PLC announces that Jonathan Henry has tendered his resignation as Chief Executive Officer and from the Board of the Company effective 31 May 2010, in order to pursue other interests.

Jonathan has been with the Company since 1994, in a variety of senior management capacities including Finance Director and has been the Chief Executive Officer of the Company since 2006. He will remain with the Company to facilitate an effective hand over of the management of the business and will provide on-going support to the Board.

Effective 1 June 2010, Brett Richards will be appointed the Interim Chief Executive Officer of the Company, and will work with Jonathan on a hand over of day to day business activities of the Company during May. Thereafter Jonathan will provide consultancy services to the Company to ensure a smooth transition of the business and the successful completion of the listing application to admit the Company's shares to trading on the Oslo Stock Exchange.

Brett has been working with Avocet in the capacity of Executive Vice President, Corporate Affairs since June 2009, and has held various senior management positions in a variety of mining and metals companies over a 25 year career. Most recently Brett was a senior vice-president of Katanga Mining Limited from 2005 to 2009, and prior to that was in senior management roles at Kinross Gold and Co-Steel Inc., both in Toronto. Brett is a graduate in Mechanical Engineering Technology and has an Executive MBA from the Johnson School of Business at Cornell University, New York.

The Board of Avocet is reviewing a number of candidates for the Chief Executive Officer role and will be making an announcement in the forthcoming months confirming the permanent replacement for Jonathan.

Jonathan Henry, outgoing Chief Executive Officer commented:

"Avocet has entered its next phase of growth and development with the integration of its newly acquired assets in West Africa. The commissioning and ramp up at the Inata gold mine in Burkina Faso continues to progress ahead of schedule. I feel it is time to step aside and allow a new leadership to build on the recent successes, and facilitate the corporate strategy to grow Avocet into a mid tier gold mining and exploration company."

Nigel McNair Scott, Chairman, commented:

"Jonathan has led Avocet through a significant stage of growth since being appointed Chief Executive Officer in 2006 with the successful disposal of our Tajikistan interests in 2007; the expansion of our Indonesian interests; the move into Africa through the acquisition of Wega Mining in 2009; and successful merger integration, construction, commissioning and ramp up at Inata. He has established a quality executive leadership team, and the business is well positioned for his succession at this time. On behalf of the Board of Directors of Avocet, I would like to thank Jonathan for his long dedicated service and commitment to the Company, and for his leadership that has Avocet well positioned to execute its strategic growth plan."

Central Rand Gold Ltd

BOARD CHANGES

With the completion of trial mining and the release of the updated CPR the future development of CRG has been underpinned. This is an appropriate moment to bring forward the previously stated board changes detailed in the announcement dated 22 January 2010, with Michael McMahon assuming the chairmanship to lead the Company into the next phase. Accordingly, Alastair Walton and Robert Kirkby resign from the board with immediate effect.

Commenting on the operations update and the Board changes, Johan du Toit, Chief Executive, said:

"The trial mining has demonstrated that CRG has not only an economic mine, but also a template to breathe new life into a vast

area which has remained dormant for decades. The Board of CRG thanks Alistair Walton and Robert Kirkby for their significant contribution to the Company over the years - they have both been instrumental in getting CRG to the point of starting commercial gold production".

Conroy Diamonds and Gold Plc

Conroy is pleased to announce that it has appointed Dr Sorca Conroy to the board of the Company, as Non-executive Director.

Dr Conroy is a daughter of the Chairman, Professor Richard Conroy. Dr Conroy graduated in medicine from The Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland in 1995 and held a number of clinical appointments in medicine before entering the business world. She joined the institutional sales group of stockbrokers Hoodless Brennan in 2004. She moved to Canaccord Adams in 2005 as a specialist salesperson for life sciences and biotechnology: institutional equities. While at Canaccord Adams she achieved a ranking of 4th place in the 2006 Extel Survey for Biotechnology Specialist Sales. Dr Conroy was recruited to ING Bank in 2006 as Vice President, Biotech and Pharmaceutical Specialist Sales and whilst there was ranked 2nd in the Extel Survey for Biotechnology Specialist Sales.

Professor Conroy, Chairman of Conroy Diamonds and Gold said: "I am delighted that Sorca has been appointed to the Board of Conroy, following a successful medical career and having independently achieved success and broad ranging City experience. Her knowledge, skills, experience and enthusiasm will significantly contribute to the Company as it moves into a new phase of development with the recent gold discovery at Clay Lake in County Armagh and the appointment of Wardrop Engineering to commence scoping studies at Clontibret in County Monaghan where the Company has established a one million oz JORC compliant gold resource."

Under Schedule 2, paragraph (g) of the AIM Rules, the following information is disclosed:

Dr Sorca Catriona Conroy, aged 40, has no other current or any previous directorships and holds 488,177 shares in the capital of the Company, equivalent to 0.26 per cent. of the voting share capital of the Company

DiamondCorp Plc

DiamondCorp is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr George Kennedy Morton (64) and Mr Subhi Benkhadra (46) to the Board of the Company as non-executive directors, effective 21 April 2010.

Mr Morton has more than 40 years experience in the banking and finance sector, including senior positions with Toronto-Dominion Bank, The Bank of Nova Scotia, Gulf International Bank, National Bank of Bahrain and Arab Banking Corporation. He is currently a non-executive director of European Islamic Investment Bank plc.

Mr Benkhadra has more than 20 years experience in investment and funds management, having held senior positions with United Bank of Kuwait, Primecorp Investment Management, Investment Trust and Esterad Investment Company. He is currently the chief executive officer of European Islamic Investment Bank plc.

Additional information required by the AIM Rules:

Current and past directorships of Mr Morton held within the last five years are set out below:

Current Directorships

European Islamic Investment Bank plc

The Arab Financial Forum

The University of Bristol
MEC International Ltd
TriTech Capital Ltd

Past Directorships

Awal Bank BSC

Current and past directorships of Mr Benkhadra held within the last five years are set out below:

Current Directorships

European Islamic Investment Bank

Palma Capital Limited

Accelerator Technology Holdings Limited

EMED Mining Plc

EMED Mining Public Limited the AIM quoted mine development and exploration company, is pleased to welcome Mr Roger Owen Davey as a Non-Executive Director of the Company.

Mr Davey (age 64) is a Chartered Engineer with over thirty years experience in the mining industry, spanning roles in project development, operation and financing. He is presently an Assistant Director and the Senior Mining Engineer at N M Rothschild (London) in the Mining and Metals project finance team, where for the last eleven years he has had responsibility for the assessment of the technical risk associated with current and prospective project loans. Prior to this his experience covered the financing, development and operation of both underground and surface mining operations in gold and base metals at senior management and Director level in South America, Africa and the United Kingdom. He is fluent in Spanish (conversational and commercial).

Previous positions included Director, Vice president and General Manager of Minorco (AngloGold) subsidiaries in Argentina (1994 - 1997), where he was responsible for the development of the US\$270m Cerro Vanguardia, open pit gold-silver mine in Patagonia; Operations Director of Greenwich Resources plc, London (1984 - 1992), with gold interests in Sudan, Egypt and Australia; Production Manager for Blue Circle Industries in Chile (1979 - 1984); and various production roles from graduate trainee to mine manager, in Gold Fields of South Africa (1971 - 1978).

Roger is a graduate of the Camborne School of Mines, England (1970), with a Master of Science degree in Mineral Production Management from Imperial College, London University, (1979). He is a Chartered Engineer (C.Eng.), a European Engineer (Eur. Ing.) and a Member of the Institute of Materials, Minerals and Mining (MIMMM).

Mr Davey currently holds or has held during the past 5 years, the following other directorships:

<i>Current Directorships</i>	<i>Past Directorships</i>
Alexander Mining plc (<i>AIM listed</i>)	Serabi Mining plc
Orosur Mining Inc. (<i>AIM & TSXV listed</i>)	
Goldquest Mining Corp. (<i>TSXV listed</i>)	

There is no other information that is required to be disclosed pursuant to Schedule 2 paragraph (g) of the AIM Rules.

EMED Mining Chairman, Mr Ronnie Beevor said,
 "I am delighted that Roger Davey has joined our Board. Roger's previous experience complements the current corporate team and Board in this period of progressing the Company's key projects through permitting, development and into production."

Gemfields Plc

Gemfields PLC is delighted to announce that following his appointment as CFO on 1 January 2010, Mr Devidas Krishna Shetty (Age:32) has now joined the Board of Directors, with effect from 1 April 2010.

Mr Shetty is a qualified chartered accountant with 10 years' of diverse international experience encompassing mergers and acquisitions, business start-ups, business turnarounds, strategic planning, treasury, tax and financial reporting.

Commenting on the appointment, Mr Ian Harebottle, CEO said "After having had the opportunity to work closely with Mr Shetty over the past three months, it is clear to me that he is, and will continue to be, a great asset to our company. His skills, energy and enthusiasm are well respected and appreciated by everyone within the Gemfields team. We look forward to his valuable contribution to the Board of the Company".

Noventa Ltd

Further to the announcement dated 16 February 2010, Noventa is pleased to confirm that Patrick Lawless joined the Board of Noventa plc on 19 April 2010. On the same day, he commenced his role as Chief Operating Officer; he will assume the role of Group Chief Executive Officer sometime before the end of June 2010.

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