



## MEDIA ALERT

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***U.S. State Department, Customs and Border Protection and U.S. Census Bureau Officials Available to Provide Guidance on Kimberley Process and Clean Diamond Trade Action Regulations to Rough Diamond Jewelers at JCK Las Vegas -- Visit Jewelers Vigilance Committee Booth, L-13, June 1-2***

- Why** — Under U.S. law, all rough diamond shippers are required to use U.S. Kimberley Process certificates when importing or exporting rough diamonds. Importers and exporters also must send copies of Kimberley Process certificates to the U.S. Census Bureau's toll-free fax line at 1-800-457-7328 and maintain records of all rough diamond shipments for five years. Importers also are required to send confirmation of receipt to foreign exporting authorities, among other requirements.
- Who** — **Sue Saarnio**, Special Advisor for Conflict Diamonds, U.S. State Department,  
**Vincent Dantone**, Program Manager for Trade Policy Enforcement Programs, U.S. Customs and Border Protection,  
**Kristen Nespoli**, U.S. Census Bureau.
- What** — Provide legal compliance information to rough diamond importers and exporters about the Kimberley Process and the Clean Diamond Trade Act.
- When** — Sunday, June 1, Monday, June 2
- Where** — Jewelers Vigilance Committee's (JVC) booth, **L-13**, Sands Expo & Convention Center

For information about the Kimberley Process and Clean Diamond Trade Act, visit: [www.state.gov/e/eeb/diamonds](http://www.state.gov/e/eeb/diamonds) or [www.kimberleyprocess.com](http://www.kimberleyprocess.com).

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