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## **PRESS NOTICE**

### **Mitsui's Kamioka Refinery added to the LBMA's Good Delivery List for Silver**

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The LBMA announces that, with effect from 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2001, the Silver refinery of Mitsui's Kamioka Mining & Smelting Company has been added to its Good Delivery List for silver.

The refinery has met the LBMA's quantitative criteria of minimum production level (30 tonnes p.a. of silver) and tangible net worth (at least £10 million equivalent). It has also passed the LBMA's testing procedures whereby its assaying capability has been exhaustively tested.

This is in fact not a completely new listing since the refinery was previously shown under the name of Mitsui Mining & Smelting rather than under its own name. As a result, Mitsui Mining & Smelting has been transferred to the Former List of Refiners and Assayers.

#### **Background**

The London Good Delivery List of Acceptable Refiners of gold and silver is produced and monitored by the LBMA, by whom it is copyrighted. It lists those refineries whose gold and silver bars have been found to meet the required standard for acceptability in the London bullion market when originally tested.

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