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CWC JOINS ANTI-CORRUPTION GROUP

Cable & Wireless Communications (CWC) has joined Transparency International's (TI) Business Integrity Forum, a group of UK companies committed to ensuring that their operations and business dealings are corruption free.

TI was established in 1993 to monitor and publicise political and business corruption. It now has representation in 100 countries.

The Business Integrity Forum is a group of over 30 leading British companies. Member companies must pass a due diligence procedure which ensures that their overall ethos and policies are consistent with TI's approach and values.

Members commit to uphold the following principles:

- Operating to high standards of integrity and transparency
- Having, or putting into place within a stated period, a detailed anti-bribery & corruption policy
- Commitment to implementing the anti-bribery & corruption policy throughout their operations, and having, or putting into place, a monitoring and evaluation process to ensure effective compliance with the company's policy

CWC's <u>Code of Conduct</u> and <u>Anti-bribery</u> policies are regularly reviewed and updated by its Board and are published on the company's web site.

Dr Robert Barrington, Executive Director, Transparency International UK, said:

"By joining the Business Integrity Forum CWC is demonstrating that it has a serious commitment to act in an ethical manner in all of its markets. Corruption damages economies, the free market and the fabric of society; it is a major factor in perpetuating poverty and creating unfair competition for clean companies. We are delighted to welcome CWC into our Business Integrity Forum, a coalition of companies that are willing to help us in the fight against corruption."

Tony Rice, Chief Executive of Cable & Wireless Communications said:

"We are pleased to become a partner of Transparency International as we share the organisation's views about corrupt and unethical business practices. We are committed to operating fairly and with integrity in all our markets and believe that corruption and bribery hurt economies, by deterring inward investment, and impact our customers, by increasing business costs."

CWC is also a member of the <u>FTSE4Good Index</u>, and in Panama is an active member of the UN Global Compact (renamed locally as Surmase).

About Cable & Wireless Communications

Cable & Wireless Communications is a full-service communications business. We operate leading communications businesses offering mobile, broadband and domestic and international fixed line services in most of our markets as well as pay TV, data centre and hosting, carrier and managed service solutions. Our operations are focused on providing our customers - consumers, businesses, governments - with world-class service. We are the market leader in most products we offer and territories we serve. For more information visit www.cwc.com.

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