

Letter Zembla April 30th/ Reaction LETTER 04/05/2017

ZEMBLA (Z):

-UVDA, an Israeli documentary program, broadcasted November 17th 2011 a documentary on Mr Leviev. The documentary contains several testimonies accusing Mr Leviev and his companies of diamond smuggling and illegal international cash transports.

Lev Leviev (LL):

Mr Leviev and LGC have never been involved in smuggling of any kind

- Since you are relying on the Uvda broadcast of November 17th 2011, we trust that you have also become familiar with LGC's response as quoted in that program.

- All the allegations in the Uvda program were raised by former employees of LGC after their employment had been terminated. The allegations raised by that Uvda program over five years ago have been thoroughly examined in the meantime by the relevant competent independent authorities in Namibia and in Israel (all diamonds exported from Namibia are examined by the Namibian authorities and all diamonds entering Israel are examined by the Israel authorities), and the fact is that this story never developed into any kind of criminal investigation, legal proceedings, or any other adverse consequence involving Mr Leviev or any employee in his group of companies even though such allegations have been raised almost 6 years ago.

- All business activities of Mr Leviev and LGC have always been absolutely legal and legitimate, and any accusations regarding diamond smuggling and illegal international cash transports are unfounded.