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## UZBEKISTAN JOINS GLOBAL EFFORT AGAINST CONFLICT DIAMONDS THROUGH KPCS MEMBERSHIP

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Uzbekistan has officially become a member of the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme (KPCS), a global initiative aimed at curbing the sale of conflict diamonds, KunUz reported.

The move, confirmed by the press office of the Ministry of Investments and Foreign Trade of Uzbekistan (MIFT), marks a significant step in the country's engagement with the international diamond market.

A delegation from Uzbekistan, including representatives from the Inspectorate for Assay Supervision under the Ministry of Economy and Finance and the "Uzbekzargarsanoati" Association, participated in the 21st plenary meeting of the Kimberley Process held in Dubai from November 12-15. During this session, Uzbekistan's application for membership was reviewed and approved. The decision came after experts from the World Diamond Council and participating countries conducted a visit to Uzbekistan in October and commended its adherence to the minimum standards of the process.

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