## RANDGOLD RESOURCES LIMITED

Incorporated in Jersey, Channel Islands
Reg. No. 62686
LSE Trading Symbol: RRS
NASDAQ Trading Symbol: GOLD
("Randgold Resources" or the "Company")

Jersey, Channel Islands, 23 March 2016

| TR-1: NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTEREST IN SHARES  |  |                                  |   |  |                                   |                    |                      |          |
|---|--|----------------------------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------|
| 1. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are attached:   Randgold Resources Limited |  |                                  |   |  |                                   |                    |                      |          |
|   | 2. Reason for the notification (please tick the appropriate box or boxes):             |                                  |   |  |                                   |                    |                      |          |
|   | An acquisition or disposal of voting rights  |                                  |   |  |                                   |                    |                      |          |
|   | An acquisition or disposal of qualifying financial instruments which may result in the |                                  |   |  |                                   |                    |                      |          |
|   | acquisition of shares already issued to which voting rights are attached               |                                  |   |  |                                   |                    |                      |          |
| An acquisition or disposal of instruments with similar economic effect to qualifying financial instruments                              |  |                                  |   |  |                                   |                    | Х                    |          |
| An event changing   |  | of voting rights                 |   |  |                                   |                    |                      |          |
| Other (please spec  | • /  |                                  |   | ı  |                                   |                    |                      |          |
| 3. Full name of pendification obligation  | ation: Ü   | to the                           |   |  |                                   | BlackRock,         | Inc.                 |          |
| 4. Full name of sh<br>(if different from 3.   |  |                                  |   |  |                                   |                    |                      |          |
| 5. Date of the tran   |  |                                  | ne  | 21 March, 2016   |                                   |                    |                      |          |
| 6. Date on which  |  |                                  |   | 22 March, 2016   |                                   |                    |                      |          |
| Financial Instruments holding for Blad  |  |                                  |   |  |                                   | ackRock            |                      |          |
|   |  |                                  |   | Inve   |                                   | /lanagement        |                      | ted has  |
| 7 Throchold(c) th   | est islara arassa  | dor                              |   | gone below 10%   |                                   |                    |                      |          |
| 7. Threshold(s) the reached: vi, vii  | iat is/are crosse  | a or                             |   | Voting rights attached to shares holding for BlackRock, Inc. has gone above 5% |                                   |                    |                      |          |
| redoried.   |  |                                  |   | _  | blackRock, me. mas gone above 576 |                    |                      |          |
|   | Total holding for BlackRock, Inc. re above 15%   |                                  |   |  |                                   |                    | emains               |          |
| 8. Notified details   | :  |                                  |   |  |                                   |                    |                      |          |
| A: Voting rights a  | ttached to share   | es viii, ix                      |   |  |                                   |                    |                      |          |
| Class/type of shares  | Situation prev<br>to the triggerin<br>transaction                                      |                                  | esulting situation after the triggering ansaction |  |                                   |                    |                      |          |
| if possible using<br>the ISIN CODE  | Number<br>of<br>Shares   | Number<br>of<br>Voting<br>Rights | of  | umber<br>nares   | Number of voting rights           |                    | % of voting rights * |          |
|   |  |                                  | Di  | irect  | Direct<br>xi                      | Indirect xii       | Direct               | Indirect |
| GB00B01C3S32  | 3,332,026  | 3,332,026                        | N/  | /A   | N/A                               | 7,182,962          | N/A                  | 7.68%    |
| B: Qualifying Fina  | ancial Instrumer   | nts                              |   |  | 1                                 | <u>I</u>           | 1                    | 1        |
| Resulting situation after the triggering transaction  |  |                                  |   |  |                                   |                    |                      |          |
| Type of financial instrument  | Expiration date xiii   | Exercise/<br>Conversion Period   |   | Period xiv rights that may be acquired if the instrument is                    |                                   | % of voting rights |                      |          |
|   |  |                                  |   |  | exercised/<br>converted.          |                    |                      |          |

| Securities<br>Lending                           |                                      |                |  |                                |  | 1,267,600       |   | 1.35%              |                          |
|---|--------------------------------------|----------------|--|--------------------------------|--|-----------------|---|--------------------|--------------------------|
| American<br>Depository                          |                                      |                |  |                                |  | 8,178,493       |   | 8.74%              |                          |
| Receipt   | Inotrumo                             | nto with aim   | ilar aaan  | mia                            | ffact to C   | ualifying Final | 20101   | Inotrum            | XV, XVI                  |
| Resulting si                                    |                                      |                |  |                                |  | tuaniying Finai | iciai   | mstrun             | ients                    |
| Type of   | Exercise                             |                |  |                                |  | r of voting     | 0/2   | of votin           | g rights <sup>xix,</sup> |
| financial<br>instrument                         | price                                | date xvii      | Conve  | rsion   rights instrument   xx |  | xx              | or voting rights  |                    |                          |
| CFD   |                                      |                |  | 19,112                         |  |                 | minal<br>02%  | <b>Delta</b> 0.02% |                          |
| Total (A+B+                                     | C)                                   | •              |  |                                |  |                 |   |                    | •                        |
| Number of v                                     | oting righ                           | its            |  |                                | Percent  | age of voting r | ight  | S                  |                          |
| 16,648,167                                      |                                      |                |  |                                | 17.80%   |                 |   |                    |                          |
|   |                                      |                |  |                                |  | ing rights and  | or th   | ne                 |                          |
| financial ins                                   | truments                             | are effective  | ely held, if   | applic                         | cable: ^^  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| Name  |                                      |                | % of voting rights if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold |                                | % of voting rights through financial instruments if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold |                 | Total of both if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold |                    |                          |
| BlackRock, I                                    |                                      |                |  |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| BlackRock H                                     |                                      |                |  |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| BlackRock F                                     |                                      |                |  |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| BlackRock In                                    |                                      |                |  |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| BR Jersey In                                    | ternational                          | l Holdings L.F | ٥.   |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| BlackRock G                                     | roup Limit                           | ed             |  |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| BlackRock A                                     | dvisors (U                           | K) Limited     |  |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| BlackRock, Inc.                                 |                                      |                |  |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| BlackRock H                                     | -                                    |                |  |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| BlackRock F                                     | BlackRock Financial Management, Inc. |                |  |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| BlackRock, In                                   | nc.                                  |                |  |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| BlackRock H                                     | oldco 2, In                          | C.             |  |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| BlackRock F                                     | inancial Ma                          | anagement, I   | nc.  |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.          |                                      |                |  |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.           |                                      |                |  |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| BlackRock Group Limited                         |                                      |                |  |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| BlackRock Investment Management (UK)<br>Limited |                                      |                | 2.379  | %                              | 8.36%  |                 | 10.73%  | 6                  |                          |
| BlackRock, I                                    | nc.                                  |                |  |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| Trident Merger, LLC                             |                                      |                |  |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| BlackRock Investment Management, LLC            |                                      |                |  |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |
| BlackRock, I                                    | nc.                                  |                |  |                                |  |                 |   |                    |                          |

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| BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.                            |     |          |
| BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.                |     |          |
| BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.              |     |          |
| BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.               |     |          |
| BlackRock Holdco 3, LLC                             |     |          |
| BlackRock Canada Holdings LP                        |     |          |
| BlackRock Canada Holdings ULC                       |     |          |
| BlackRock Asset Management Canada<br>Limited        |     |          |
| Limited   |     |          |
| BlackRock, Inc.                                     |     |          |
| BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.                            |     | <u> </u> |
| BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.                |     |          |
| BlackRock Holdco 4, LLC                             |     |          |
| BlackRock Holdco 6, LLC                             |     | +        |
| BlackRock Delaware Holdings Inc.                    | +   |          |
| BlackRock Fund Advisors                             | +   |          |
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| BlackRock, Inc.                                     |     | +        |
| BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.                            |     |          |
| BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.                |     |          |
| BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.              |     |          |
| BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.               |     |          |
| BlackRock Australia Holdco Pty. Ltd.                |     |          |
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| BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited |     |          |
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| BlackRock, Inc.                                     |     |          |
| BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.                            |     |          |
| BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.                |     |          |
| BlackRock Holdco 4, LLC                             |     |          |
| BlackRock Holdco 6, LLC                             |     |          |
| BlackRock Delaware Holdings Inc.                    |     |          |
| BlackRock Fund Advisors                             |     |          |
| BlackRock Institutional Trust Company,              | +   |          |
| National Association                                |     |          |
|   |     |          |
| BlackRock, Inc.                                     |     |          |
| BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.                            |     |          |
| BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.                |     |          |
| BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.              |     |          |
| BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.               |     |          |
| BlackRock (Singapore) Holdco Pte. Ltd.              |     |          |
| BlackRock (Singapore) Limited                       |     |          |
|   |     |          |
| BlackRock, Inc.                                     |     |          |
| BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.                            |     |          |
| BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.                |     |          |
| BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.              |     |          |
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| BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.                         | I I      | I |
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| BlackRock Group Limited                                       |          |   |
| BlackRock International Limited                               |          |   |
| Blackrook international Elimited                              |          |   |
| BlackRock, Inc.   |          |   |
| BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.                                      |          |   |
| BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.                          |          |   |
| BlackRock Capital Holdings, Inc.                              |          |   |
| BlackRock Advisors, LLC                                       |          |   |
| BIACKINGER AUVISOIS, ELC                                      |          |   |
| BlackRock, Inc.   |          |   |
| BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.                                      |          |   |
| BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.                          |          |   |
| BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.                        |          |   |
| BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.                         |          |   |
| BlackRock Group Limited                                       |          |   |
| BlackRock Group Limited  BlackRock Investment Management (UK) |          |   |
| Limited   |          |   |
| BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG                     |          |   |
|   |          |   |
| BlackRock, Inc.   |          |   |
| BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.                                      |          |   |
| BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.                          |          |   |
| BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.                        |          |   |
| BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.                         |          |   |
| BlackRock (Singapore) Holdco Pte. Ltd.                        |          |   |
| BlackRock Asia-Pac Holdco, LLC                                |          |   |
| BlackRock HK Holdco Limited                                   |          |   |
| BlackRock Cayco Limited                                       |          |   |
| BlackRock Trident Holding Company Limited                     |          |   |
| BlackRock Japan Holdings GK                                   |          |   |
| BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.                                     |          |   |
|   |          |   |
| BlackRock, Inc.   |          |   |
| BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.                                      |          |   |
| BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.                          |          |   |
| BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.                        |          |   |
| BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.                         |          |   |
| BlackRock Group Limited                                       |          |   |
| BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.                                  |          |   |
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| BlackRock, Inc.   |          |   |
| BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.                                      |          |   |
| BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.                          |          |   |
| BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.                        |          |   |
| BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.                         |          |   |
| BlackRock (Singapore) Holdco Pte. Ltd.                        |          |   |
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| BlackRock Asia-Pac Holdco, LLC                                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| BlackRock HK Holdco Limited                                      |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited                    |   |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Proxy Voting:  | Proxy Voting:                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10. Name of the proxy holder:                                    |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11. Number of voting rights proxy holder will cease to hold:     |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12. Date on which proxy holder will cease to hold voting rights: |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13. Additional information:                                      | BlackRock Regulatory Threshold Reporting Team |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14. Contact name:  | Gareth Slade                                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15. Contact telephone number:                                    | 020 7743 3650                                 |  |  |  |  |  |

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