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NEW BOARD APPOINTMENT SAFIATOU FRANÇOISE BA-N'DAW

London, 2 March 2015 - Randgold Resources Limited announces today the appointment of Safiatou Francoise Ba-N'Daw as an independent non-executive director with effect from 1 March 2015.

Mrs Ba-N'Daw was educated in Côte d'Ivoire, France and the United States, and holds an MBA from Harvard University. After a 12 year career with The World Bank as a Senior Financial Specialist for the South Asia region, she was appointed Minister of Energy in the Government of Côte d'Ivoire, a position she held until 2000. Mrs Ba-N'Daw was subsequently appointed a Director of the United Nations Development Programme for South-South Co-operation until 2004 when she was appointed Deputy Chief of Staff to the Prime Minister of Côte d'Ivoire. She is currently Managing Partner of Alizes Consultants, an international business and financial consulting service company, and deputy chairwoman of Niger Omega, a mining, oil and gas exploration and services company based in Nigeria and the United Kingdom.

The Chairman of the board, Christopher Coleman, said her appointment was part of the ongoing succession planning of the board and would bring a fresh perspective: "We are very pleased to welcome Safiatou Ba-N'Daw to the Randgold board which will benefit from her significant knowledge and wide ranging international experience."

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