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Gooch & Housego PLC
("G&H" or the "Company")

Appointment of Chief Financial Officer

Gooch & Housego PLC, the specialist manufacturer of optical components and systems, announces that Chris Jewell will be appointed to the Board of Directors as Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") with effect from October 2019 at the latest.

Chris has extensive executive and financial experience, with a successful track record in technology led, global engineering and manufacturing businesses operating in A&D, Industrial and Life Science markets.

He is currently Group Director of Financial Control at TT Electronics PLC and has previously held senior finance positions at Cobham PLC and MBDA UK.

Chris is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants, holds a first class honours degree in History from Cambridge University and an MA from the London School of Economics.

Andy Boteler, our current CFO, will step down from the Board of Directors in June 2019 and in the interim period before Chris' start date, our Group Financial Controller Gareth Crowe will lead our finance function.

Mark Webster, CEO of Gooch & Housego, commented:

"Chris brings a wealth of global executive and financial experience. We are looking forward to benefiting from his knowledge and expertise as we continue to put in place the organisational structure and business systems needed to take the Company forward to its next stage of development.

"I would like to thank Andy personally for his support and advice during my time as CEO. He has been an important part of G&H's success over many years and will be missed.

"All of Andy's friends and colleagues at the Company wish him well with his future endeavours."

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Christopher Adrian Jewell (aged 54 years) currently holds or has held the following directorships or partnerships in the past five years:

Current Directorships or Partnerships	Previous Directorships or Partnerships
A.B. Electronic Components Limited	Aerial Facilities Limited
Automotive Electronic Systems Limited	
BI Technologies Limited	
Commendshaw Limited	
Controls Direct Limited	
Crystaliate Electronics Limited	
Dale Electric International Limited	
Deltight Washers Limited	
Linton and Hirst Group Limited	
Midland Electronics Limited	
MMG Linton and Hirst Limited	
Nulectrohms Limited	
Rodco Limited	
Sensit Limited	
The Brearley Group Limited	
TT Asia Holdings Limited	
TT Automotive Electronics Limited	
TT Electronics Europe Limited	
TT Electronics Group Holdings Limited	
TT Electronics Holdco Limited	
TT Group Limited	
TTG Nominees Limited	
TT Power Solutions Limited	
TTE Trustees Limited	
TTG Properties Limited	
Welwyn Electronics Limited	
Wolsey Comcare Limited	

Notes to editors

1. Gooch & Housego is a photonics technology business headquartered in Ilminster, Somerset, UK with operations in the USA and Europe. A world leader in its field, the company researches, designs, engineers and manufactures advanced photonic systems, components and instrumentation for applications in the Aerospace & Defence, Industrial, Life Sciences and Scientific Research sectors. World leading design, development and manufacturing expertise is offered across a broad range of complementary technologies.

2. All financial information included in this announcement is sourced from unaudited management accounts and excludes any specific items. This announcement contains certain forward-looking statements that are based on management's current expectations or beliefs as well as assumptions about future events. These are subject to risk factors associated with, amongst other things, the economic and business circumstances occurring from time to time in the countries and sectors in which G&H operates. It is believed that the expectations reflected in these statements are reasonable but they may be affected by a wide range of variables which could cause actual results, and G&H's plans and objectives, to differ materially from those currently anticipated or implied in the forward-looking statements. Investors should not place undue reliance on any such statements. Nothing in this announcement should be construed as a profit forecast.