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Ladies and Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find Henkel's Press Release: "Adhesives for DIYers, craftsmen and industry – Henkel acquired adhesives and construction materials business from DESC Group".

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Very truly yours,

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Information from Corporate Communications

Ladies and Gentlemen ,

Attached please find the press release "Henkel acquired adhesives and construction materials business from DESC Group", which we distributed to the media.

With my very best regards

Ernst Primosch

Presseinformation

Press Release

Adhesives for DIYers, craftsmen and industry

Henkel acquired adhesives and construction materials business from DESC Group

Effective October 1, 2003, the Henkel Group, Düsseldorf, acquired the entire adhesives and construction materials business of the DESC Group, Mexico City, Mexico. In fiscal 2002, this business, which employs over 900 people, generated total sales of 85.9 million euros.

Düsseldorf / Mexico City – "This acquisition strengthens our presence specifically in the Mexican market. The newly acquired branded products are an excellent complement to our existing DIY and craftsmen activities in the region," explains Alois Linder, Executive Vice President, Consumer and Craftsmen Adhesives, of the Henkel Group.

The brands, which are marketed almost exclusively in Mexico, include Resistol, Fester, Resikon and Simon. The emphasis is on contact, wood and construction adhesives, and on waterproofing systems used primarily as weather protection. The product range also comprises glue sticks and household adhesives.

With this acquisition the industrial adhesives activities of Henkel Technologies will also strengthen their market positions in woodworking, footwear and paper converting businesses.

"Henkel - A Brand like a Friend". Henkel is a leader with brands and technologies that make people's lives easier, better and more beautiful. The Henkel Group operates in three strategic business areas – Home Care, Personal Care, and Adhesives, Sealants and Surface Treatment. In fiscal 2002 the Henkel Group generated sales of 9.66 billion euros and an operating profit (EBIT) of 666 million euros. 50,000 employees work for the Henkel Group worldwide. Henkel Brands and Technologies are available in 126 countries.

October 2, 2003

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