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

**Board Change**

Gooch & Housego PLC, the specialist manufacturer of optical components and systems, today announces that Dr Eugene Arthurs has advised the board that he has decided not to offer himself for re-election at the Company's next AGM in February 2012. He will leave the board at that time. Dr Arthurs has served as a non-executive director of the Company since 1999.

Gareth Jones, Chief Executive of Gooch & Housego commented: -

"On behalf of the board I would like to thank Dr Arthurs for the tremendous contribution he has made to G&H over the years. His knowledge of our industry and markets is second to none and it is with regret that the time has come for him to step down from the board. We hope that he will be able to continue to contribute to the Company in other ways."

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