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PRIME MINISTER DAVID CAMERON VISITS RANSOMES JACOBSEN

Ipswich, Suffolk (January 22, 2015) Prime Minister David Cameron visited Ransomes Jacobsen's European head office and manufacturing facility in Ipswich on Monday 19th January during a tour of East Anglia. Ransomes Jacobsen is global manufacturer of commercial mowing equipment and is part of the US-based multi-industry group, Textron Inc.

During his visit he met with Ransomes Jacobsen's senior leadership team before walking over to the manufacturing plant to address an audience consisting of employees and specially invited guests.

Following his address, which centred on the recovery of the UK economy, the importance of British manufacturing, jobs and apprenticeships for young people, he took a series of questions from the floor. He then spoke to various journalists and reporters from the national and local media before departing on the next leg of his visit.

Alan Prickett, Managing Director of Ransomes Jacobsen, speaking after the visit said, "Over the past couple of years we have enjoyed strong support from the UK government, including a visit in 2014 by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, George Osborne, who came to see our operation here in Ipswich. It was a tremendous honour for our entire workforce to host Prime Minister David Cameron.

"We have been a major employer in the town for more than 200 years and draw our workforce from across the region. We are a net exporter and for the past three years have re-introduced an apprenticeship scheme. This impressed the Prime Minister as it demonstrates our commitment to the local and the national economy.

"It was certainly a 'Red Letter' day for our business."

Ransomes Jacobsen is a Textron Inc (NYSE:TXT) company. More information on the product offering can be found at www.ransomesjacobsen.com.

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Ransomes Jacobsen's Managing Director, Alan Prickett, Greets the British Prime Minister, David Cameron



Ransomes Jacobsen's management team with British Prime Minister, David Cameron



British Prime Minister, David Cameron addresses the invited audience at Ransomes Jacobsen