Declaration of the Managing Board and Supervisory Board of HUGO BOSS AG pursuant to section 161 AktG (German Stock Corporation Act)

HUGO BOSS AG, Metzingen, Securities ID A1PHFF

The Managing Board and Supervisory Board of HUGO BOSS AG herewith declare pursuant to section 161 para. 1 sentence 1 AktG (German Stock Corporation Act) that since the Compliance Declaration of December 2012 the recommendations of the Government Commission “German Corporate Governance Code” initially as amended on May 15, 2012 – officially published in the Federal Gazette on June 15, 2012 – and since its effectiveness in the version as amended on May 13, 2013 – officially published in the Federal Gazette on June 10, 2013 – have been and are complied with except for:

◊ Deviating from the recommendation in section 3.8 sentence 5 GCGC, the D&O-(Directors’ & Officers’-)insurance for members of the Supervisory Board does not contain a deductible. HUGO BOSS AG covers the D&O-risk via an appropriate liability insurance in which also members of the Supervisory Board are included. The members of the Supervisory Board hold their offices responsibly and in the interest of the Company. HUGO BOSS AG is of the opinion that a deductible is no appropriate means for further improving the sense of responsibility. Further, the introduction of a deductible would not lead to a significant reduction of premium payments.

◊ Deviating from the recommendation in section 4.2.2 sentence 6 GCGC the total compensation of the members of the Managing Board complies with the statutory criteria without specifically taking into consideration the compensation of senior management and the staff overall, particularly in terms of its development over time because the Supervisory Board is of the opinion that the statutory criteria, namely the appropriateness of the tasks and the performances, the situation of the Company and the common level of compensation in the industry, are more important.

◊ Deviating from the recommendation in section 4.2.3 sentence 7 GCGC a cap is indeed specified regarding the total compensation of the members of the Managing Board. Insofar as section 4.2.3 sentence 7 DCGK must be understood in a sense that it also requires an explicit cap for variable compensation components, HUGO
BOSS AG deviates from the recommendation, as it does not comply with this formality. However, materially also a cap for the variable compensation components exists because it can be calculated by deducting the fixed compensation component from the cap of the total compensation.

Deviating from the recommendation in section 4.2.3 sentence 13 GCGC, the calculation of the severance pay cap was based on the total compensation of the past full financial year or, if the member of the Managing Board has already served on the board for two full financial years, on the average of the past two full financial years because the Supervisory Board was of the opinion that this constituted a broader and therefore better basis for assessment. The new service agreement for a member of the management board effective as of August 1, 2013, provides for a severance pay cap calculated in line with the GCGC, thus HUGO BOSS AG does not deviate from section 4.2.3 sentence 13 GCGC from this time on.

Deviating from section 5.4.6 sentence 4 GCGC the compensation for members of the Supervisory Board based on the success is not oriented toward sustainable growth. The compensation for members of the Supervisory Board was resolved by the general assembly of the shareholders, the compensation based on the success is contained in section 12 para. 2 of the articles of association of HUGO BOSS AG and in the opinion of HUGO BOSS AG appropriate.

Deviating from section 5.4.6 sentence 7 GCGC the compensation of the members of the Supervisory Board is not reported individually in the notes nor in the management report. Also, payments made by the enterprise to the members of the Supervisory Board or advantages extended for services provided individually, in particular, advisory or agency services, are not listed on an individual basis. The compensation paid to the members of the Supervisory Board is demonstrated in total in the notes. In the view of HUGO BOSS AG, individual reporting of compensation does not provide information relevant to the capital market.

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