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REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Month of December 2002

Harmony Gold Mining Company Limited

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.)

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(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.)

Yes ___ No <u>X</u>

JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT by Harmony Gold Mining Co. Ltd. and MINTEK

HARMONY AND MINTEK JOIN FORCES TO CREATE MUSUKU BENEFICIATION SYSTEMS

Johannesburg 11 December 2002 - Harmony Gold Mining Company Limited (Harmony) (NYSE: HMY), the fifth largest gold producer in the world, and Mintek, the leader in minerals and metals technology in South Africa, today announced that the parties had signed a Memorandum of Understanding to create Musuku Beneficiation Systems, an integrated manufacturing and technology group focussing on the beneficiation of precious metals.

Musuku, meaning gold in Venda, will introduce, through a combination of specialised refining technologies and standardised business management practices, a major paradigm shift in the way precious metals are processed by primary precious metals producers. It will provide the management, operational and technical services necessary to profitably integrate value-adding processes into the gold mining industry.

This approach will not only be applied to South Africa, but also to other countries where precious metals play a significant role in their economies, and where the use of their developed technologies can be deployed. ...2/

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This is expected to unlock significant value in the value chain of the precious metals industry and help South Africa gain a dominant position in the downstream value-adding industries such as jewellery manufacture and industrial applications for precious metals.

In support of the recently announced Mining Charter, this new venture for the first time represents a significant opportunity for the participation of a Black Economic Empowerment company in the beneficiation of precious metals in South Africa. Through the Musuku initiative, it is anticipated that the operational expertise of the two companies, in the area of beneficiation of precious metals, will be leveraged to create a globally competitive value adding business, said Paul Jordan, President and Chief Executive Officer of Mintek.

Harmony, the only producer to refine and market its own gold, recently upgraded its refinery in the Virginia to produce in excess of 100 tons of refined gold per annum. A large range of value-added products are currently produced for the local and export markets. The creation of this business venture is the next logical step in extending the competitive advantage we have established over the past few years, to a larger market, commented Ferdi Dippenaar, Harmony s Marketing Director. Our company has embarked on and supported a range of beneficiation projects which have resulted in benefits to all our stakeholders, i.e. our shareholders, the local communities in which we operate, and the local jewellery manufacturing companies. In addition these activities are creating employment opportunities in the Free State goldfields, an area which has a high level of poverty, and has an economy that needs to be regenerated following the downscaling of the mining activities in the region, he concluded.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: December 11, 2002

Harmony Gold Mining Company Limited

By: <u>/s/ Frank Abbott</u> Name: Frank Abbott

Title: Chief Financial Officer