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Millennium & Copthorne Hotels plc

Appoints CEO of North America

Millennium & Copthorne Hotels plc (M&C) is pleased to announce the appointment of John Arnett, as Chief Executive Officer of North America and a member of the Board. Mr Arnett will take up his post immediately and will join the Board at the next Board meeting on 3 May 2007. Mr Arnett will report to Peter Papas and will assume responsibility for the day to day operation of all M&C's North American operations.

Mr Arnett (53) has worked in the hospitality industry for 30 years, most recently as President of the Kor Hotel Group in Los Angeles, where he led the Group's expansion of its luxury hotels and resorts. Prior to that, Arnett worked for over 10 years at the Kimpton Hotel and Restaurant Group, where as Senior Vice President, he oversaw the operations and profitability of 37 Kimpton Group properties, while guiding the transition of new assets into stable operating businesses. Earlier, he served as Kimpton's Vice President of Acquisitions and Property Transformation, contributing to numerous acquisitions throughout the US and Canada. Arnett's background also includes the management operations of luxury hotels and resorts including General Manager of the Ritz Carlton Mauna Lani, Hawaii, where Arnett was the recipient of both the Five Diamond Hotel and Restaurant Award. Arnett also managed the flagship Ritz Carlton Buckhead in Atlanta; and managed resorts in Minnesota and Arizona. He has a degree in Business Administration from the University of Denver.

Peter Papas, Group Chief Executive of M&C, commented:

"I am delighted to announce the appointment of John as CEO of our North American operations. His vast experience, knowledge, reputation and networks in the hospitality industry and US hotel market will be invaluable as we capitalise on the significant opportunities open to us in this key region over the medium term. The hiring of John is a clear intention of our ambitions as a Group and the Board and I look forward to working with him."

The company confirms that that there are no further matters requiring disclosure in relation to paragraphs 9.6.13 (2) to (6) of the listing rules.

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