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Elior appoints Gilles Petit Group Chief Executive Officer as of 1 October 2010

As of 1 October 2010, the Group will be splitting the combined functions of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer currently held by Robert Zolade, co-founder of the Elior Group. Gilles Petit will be assigned the post of Chief Executive Officer and will also be appointed Chairman of the Executive Committee of Bercy Présidence (the Managing Partner of HBI, holding company of the Elior Group). Robert Zolade will remain Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Bercy Présidence and will continue to be very involved in drawing up the Group's business strategy and external growth and development projects.

Aged 54, Gilles Petit graduated from the Ecole Supérieure de Commerce business school in Reims where his specialist subject was Finance. He began his career in 1980 at Arthur Andersen before joining the Promodès group in 1989 where he successively held until 2000 the positions of Store Director, Methods and Organization Director, Sales and Marketing Director, Operations Director and then Chief Executive Officer of Continent hypermarkets. In 2001 he was appointed Managing Director of Carrefour Belgium and in 2004 was nominated Executive Director – Other European Countries and in 2005 became Managing Director of Carrefour Spain. As of January 2008 he was Executive Director France and a member of the Executive Board before being appointed to Carrefour's Executive Committee.

In addition to his strong international experience, Gilles has in-depth expertise in customer service culture, which he built up during his time with Carrefour, the world's second largest retailer. As well as launching strategic projects to converge Carrefour's banners and revamp its Brand platform, Gilles led numerous development projects and marketing concepts and co-ordinated several major cross-business programmes to restructure the group's organization and leverage operational synergies. His leadership skills and experience will be key assets for Elior as it enters a new stage in its development both in France and internationally.

About Elior

Founded in 1991, Elior ranks third in the European contracted foodservice and related services market, holding leading positions in Contract Catering & Facilities Management and Concession Catering & Travel Retail. In 2009/2010, the Group expects to generate full-year pro forma revenue of €4 billion (including the impact of acquisitions during the year). Each day, Elior's 69,000 employees serve 2.9 million guests at 14,500 restaurants and outlets in 15 countries. Elior is active in the Business & Industry, Education, and Healthcare & Seniors sectors, as well as in travel (airports, railway stations and motorways), and leisure & culture (museums and exhibition centres). As a socially responsible enterprise, Elior signed up to the United Nations Global Compact in 2004. The Group takes special care to provide nutritionally balanced meals to guests, limit the environmental impact of its operations and purchases, and support employee integration and training. For more information please visit www.elior.com

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