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Elior agrees to sell its Contract Catering operations in the Netherlands to Compass Nederland

Elior is pleased to announce that it has agreed to sell Elior Nederland BV ("Elior Nederland"), its Dutch contract catering unit, to Compass Group Nederland Holding BV ("Compass Nederland"). Elior Nederland had revenues for the year ended 30 September 2010 of EUR 95.5 million.

The completion of the transaction is conditional on clearance by the Netherlands Competition Authority.

Robert Zolade, Chairman of Elior, said: *"Our decision to sell Elior Nederland reflects our strategy of focusing on countries and markets where we already hold or are in a position to acquire an appropriate share of the market. We will use the proceeds of this transaction to further develop Elior's presence in these countries and markets"*.

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 generated revenue of €3.783 billion. Each day, Elior's 82,000 employees serve 3 million guests at 15,000 restaurants and outlets in 15 countries. Elior is active in the Business & Industry, Education, and Healthcare & Seniors sectors, as well as in the world of travel (airports, railway stations and motorways), leisure and culture (leisure parks, 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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