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Autogrill Group consolidates its presence in North American airports HMSHost secures new contract at San Antonio International Airport, Texas

Milan, 16th February 2010 – Through its American subsidiary HMSHost, Autogrill Group (Milan: AGL IM) consolidates its presence at San Antonio International Airport in Texas, with a new contract to operate food & beverage and retail services in eight new points of sale in the airport, where it has been operating since 2001. The ten year contract is expected to yield total sales of more than \$100 million.

Under the terms of the agreement, the company will manage two new f&b locations (in a joint-venture with Chelsea's Sandwiches of Texas, a local operator) and six newsstand locations (in partnership with The Houston 8 LLC) covering a total area of around 1,000 m². The new facilities, scheduled to open between 2010 and 2012, will be in Terminal 1 and Terminal B and will be in addition to the seven f&b points of sale that the company is already operating.

Including both local concepts and well known international brands, the f&b offering will feature, among others, **Rosario's Mexican Café y Cantina**, a stellar example of Mexican food for tourists and local customers in San Antonio, and **Starbucks Coffee**, which, within a contiguous space, includes the local concept **R Sala Bebida Botana Bar**, a snack bar with a metropolitan menu.

The retail brands, **San Antonio Express-News** and **Texas Monthly News**, which will be operated in partnership with the eponymous local magazines, will provide an assortment of newspapers, magazines, travel items, snacks and drinks.

With more than eight million passengers in 2008 and an average of more than 250 national and international flights a day (source: www.sanantonio.gov), San Antonio International Airport is served by more than 20 airlines, including Southwest Airlines, Delta, United, American Airlines, Continental and USAir, connecting to over 30 destinations. The airport is currently undergoing a major rebuilding programme, scheduled to be completed in 2010, in which the new Terminal B will replace the current Terminal 2.

Providing f&b and retail services in 111 airports in the United States, Canada, Europe, Asia and Oceania, HMSHost operates in North America's top 20 busiest airports by passenger traffic.

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