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Three locations scheduled to open in march 2001

Autogrill – with HMSHost – wins contract at Athens International Airport

Milan, 5th May 2000 - The Autogrill Group through its HMSHost Corporation subsidiary has been awarded a new food and beverage contract at Athens International Airport.

The five-year contract provides for the operation of three locations inside the airport, on the International Concourse, on the Domestic & Schengen Concourse and in the Arrivals Area.

Among several packages awarded, HMSHost's award contained the most locations and comprises more than 4,800 square feet of space.

"This is a crucial step forward for HMSHost Corporation and the Autogrill Group," commented CEO Paolo Prota Giurleo with satisfaction. "The Athens contract, together with the new food-court in Amsterdam's international hub and the recent extensions to our concessions in Vancouver, Calgary, Palm Beach and Louisville, confirms that the combination of our two companies has created a dynamic new global enterprise that is well positioned to expand its European and worldwide presence and strengthen its leadership in restaurant services for travellers."

In addition to the locations in Athens International Airport, Autogrill also operates a travel plaza on the Athens-Thessaloníki motorway, comprising a Ciao self-service restaurant and two Spizzico pizza restaurants located in the largest motorway "bridge" in Europe.