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Autogrill strengthens its presence in Northern Europe after entering the Irish market

Autogrill moves into Sweden with 7 Food&Beverage points in Stockholm airport

- A 10-year contract will generate accumulated sales of over €30m
- Autogrill steps up its European airport expansion to 21 airports in 11 countries

Milan, 22nd November 2005 - Autogrill Group (Milano: AGL IM) has strengthened its presence in Northern Europe with its first contract in Sweden, for 7 Food&Beverage points in Arlanda International Airport, Stockholm, just a few months after a securing another new contract at Cork Airport in Ireland. Both operations carry forward Autogrill's expansion in this type of business in Europe, which now includes 21 airports in 11 countries.

The new business in Sweden will be run by HMSHost Europe, the Group's European airport division, and will generate accumulated sales of more than €30m over the ten-year concession period.

The 7 Food&Beverage points are to be located in terminals 4 and 5, which have the most passenger traffic (4.8 million and 8.9 million passengers respectively), and Sky City. The first points of sale are scheduled to open by the end of 2005.

Autogrill's offering includes both brands designed specifically for travellers in transit, such as Grab and Fly, for people who want to choose their own food and drink to take aboard, and high profile coffee brands that also stand for Italian tradition, such as Segafredo Espresso Kiosks and Illy Café, the first to be opened in Sweden.

Stockholm has always been the main gateway to Scandinavia and is one of Europe's top 20 airports. With over 16 million passengers a year, of whom over 10 million flying on to international destinations and 5 million on domestic routes, the airport has 67 companies operating in it, connecting with 172 destinations, the main ones being Copenhagen, Oslo, London and Göteborg, as well as new services between Beijing and Kuala Lumpur – New York.