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Successful closure of Aldeasa take-over bid

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Milan, 18th April 2005 - The take-over bid put in by the Autogrill Group (Milan: AGL IM) in agreement with Altadis S.A. (Madrid: ALT SM) through Retail Airport Finance S.L.U. (currently wholly owned by Autogrill España S.A.) for 100% (21,000,000 shares) of the share capital of Aldeasa S.A. (Madrid: ALD SM) at €36.57 per share has been successfully concluded.

Pursuant to Real Decreto 1197, 26th July 1991 (art. 27, clause 2), the Spanish Stock Exchange Authority (Comisión Nacional del Mercado de Valores - CNMV) announced today that as of 14th April 2005, the bid's closing date, acceptances had been received for 12,874,319 shares representing 61.31% of Aldeasa's share capital.

With the 7,262,336 shares (34.58% of the share capital) that Altadis will transfer to the bidding company on the terms indicated in section I.9 of the Prospectus, Retail Airport Finance's final interest in Aldeasa's share capital will reach 95.89% (20,136,655 shares).

"Conclusion of the bid and the new ownership structure of Aldeasa," said Autogrill CEO Gianmario Tondato Da Ruos, "opens up a new phase, in which business opportunities on the spanish and the international market can be managed more effectively".