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## MANDARIN ORIENTAL, BOSTON ANNOUNCES PHILIPP C. KNUEPFER AS GENERAL MANAGER

**Hong Kong, 17 May 2017** – Five-Star <u>Mandarin Oriental, Boston</u> is delighted to announce the appointment of Philipp C. Knuepfer as General Manager.

With over 15 years of global hospitality experience, Mr. Knuepfer began his career with Kempinski Hotels in his native Germany. Joining Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group in 2002 at The Kahala Mandarin Oriental, Hawaii, Philipp gained significant managerial experience in a variety of the Group's properties in and around Asia and throughout the U.S.

Prior to serving the last year and a half as Hotel Manager of Mandarin Oriental, Washington D.C., Philipp was instrumental in opening Mandarin Oriental, Taipei as Hotel Manager in May 2014. Drawing on leadership, guest relations and operational experiences, Philipp's additional Group assignments have included: Executive Assistant Manager at Mandarin Oriental, Singapore; Director of Food and Beverage, Mandarin Oriental Dhara Dhevi, Chiang Mai; and Assistant Director of Food and Beverage, Mandarin Oriental, Kuala Lumpur.

"Philipp brings a wealth of knowledge and brand expertise to the Boston team," said Jan D Goessing, Executive Vice President, Operations Director – The Americas. "We are extremely confident that his leadership and invaluable insight will ensure Boston's continued success."

Originally from Bonn, Germany, Philipp attended the International School for Hotel & Catering Business in Munich, where he earned his degree in Hotel Management. He has also earned certificates in Hospitality Management at Cornell University and an MBA from RMIT University in Melbourne, Australia.

## **About Mandarin Oriental, Boston**

An intimately luxurious hotel, <u>Mandarin Oriental</u>, <u>Boston</u> combines classic New England elegance with refined Oriental touches to create one of the most distinctive hospitality experiences in the region. Awarded both Forbes Five-Stars and AAA Five-Diamonds, Mandarin Oriental, Boston



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features 148 of the city's most spacious guestrooms and suites, exquisite meeting and event facilities and legendary personalized service. Hotel amenities include Massachusetts' only holistic Five-Star awarded spa, a state-of-the-art fitness center and our signature restaurant Bar Boulud, a French-inspired bistro and wine bar from internationally acclaimed chef Daniel Boulud. A short 15-minute drive from Logan International Airport, Mandarin Oriental, Boston connects guests to the city's finest shopping, cultural venues and business institutions from its prime location in the heart of Boston's chic Back Bay on Boylston Street.

**About Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group** 

Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group is the award-winning owner and operator of some of the world's most luxurious hotels, resorts and residences. Having grown from its Asian roots into a global brand, the Group now operates 29 hotels and eight residences in 19 countries and territories, with each property reflecting the Group's oriental heritage and unique sense of place. Mandarin Oriental has a strong pipeline of hotels and residences under development, with the next hotel opening planned in Doha. Mandarin Oriental is a member of the Jardine Matheson Group.

Photographs of Mandarin Oriental are available to download from the <u>Photo Library</u> of our <u>Media</u> section at www.mandarinoriental.com.

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