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MANDARIN ORIENTAL ANNOUNCES NEW HOTEL AND RESIDENCES IN BOCA RATON, FLORIDA

Hong Kong, 10 November 2015 -- <u>Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group</u> has announced that it will manage a new luxury hotel and branded residences currently under development by Penn-Florida Companies in Boca Raton. Scheduled to open in late 2017, the project provides the Group with a unique opportunity to further extend its reach in this key tourism and business destination in southern Florida.

The project comprises two adjacent towers located in downtown Boca Raton, surrounded by the city's most affluent, residential neighbourhoods and a short walk from miles of pristine beaches. The buildings will form part of an upscale mixed-use development that will include 65,000 square feet of luxury lifestyle retail as well as a world-class private club offering social, fitness and championship golf amenities.

Mandarin Oriental, Boca Raton will feature 158 well-appointed rooms and suites, all with magnificent ocean or city views, and designed in a sophisticated and contemporary style, with exacting attention to detail that is reflective of the Group's oriental heritage. The *Residences at Mandarin Oriental* will be located in the adjoining tower, connected by sky bridge to the hotel, and will provide 100 of the most luxurious and desirable private homes in South Florida.

SB Architects have been selected for the hotel and residential components of the project, and the design will reflect a sense of sophisticated, urban resort living, that pays tribute to the Mediterranean-influenced architectural heritage of Addison Mizner, for which the city is particularly well-known.

Mandarin Oriental, Boca Raton will offer some of the finest dining in the region including a signature rooftop restaurant with an outdoor terrace and bar affording spectacular ocean, golf



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course and city views. There will also be a chic lobby lounge, a Mandarin Oriental cake shop, and a spacious club lounge. Extensive banqueting and meeting space will include an expansive 4,500 square-foot ballroom and a variety of adaptable conference rooms.

In keeping with the Group's award-winning spa concepts, a spacious Spa at Mandarin Oriental will offer holistic rejuvenation and relaxation, together with a state-of-the art fitness centre and a rooftop pool providing guests with outstanding views.

"We are delighted to be opening a new luxury hotel in south Florida's key tourism and commercial district, and look forward to bringing Mandarin Oriental's legendary levels of hospitality to this exciting project," said Edouard Ettedgui, Group Chief Executive of Mandarin Oriental. "This new development complements the award-winning Mandarin Oriental, Miami, and will provide a sophisticated and elegant retreat for guests and residents alike," he added.

The project is being developed by Florida-based Penn-Florida Companies, a full service owner and developer of high-profile real estate for almost 30 years. "Penn-Florida is excited to be partnering with Mandarin Oriental to create a hotel and residences that will set new standards of luxury and sophistication in Boca Raton," said Mark A. Gensheimer, President and CEO of Penn-Florida Companies. "Via Mizner will be one of the premier mixed-use projects in the country, and the arrival of Mandarin Oriental will raise the bar for hospitality and contemporary living in South Florida," he said.

Located in Palm Beach County, Florida, Boca Raton's warm tropical climate and coastal setting make it a popular tourism destination. There are a range of golf courses, pristine beaches and parks, together with myriad cultural and recreational activities to enjoy. The city is a gateway to Latin America and other international destinations, and is serviced by multiple international airports. With a sophisticated infrastructure, Boca Raton is also renowned as a national corporate and regional business centre.



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