

Songbird Estates plc Directorate Changes

Songbird Estates plc (the "Company") announces that in accordance with the corporate governance arrangements outlined at the time of the capital raising earlier this year Qatar Holding LLC ("Qatar Holding") has designated Faisal Al-Hamadi, Kalifa Al-Kuwari and Sheikh Mohamed Bin Hamad Bin Jassim Al-Thani as Directors of the Company effective 4 January 2010.

Faisal Al-Hamadi, 33, CFA joined Qatar Investment Authority ("QIA") in 2006 and is currently Director of the Asset Management Group of QIA. As Director Mr Al-Hamadi has responsibility for setting the long term investment policy of the group, its annual investment strategy and its asset allocation to invest in funds across all asset classes. He is a Board Director of First Finance and Epicure Berlin Property Company Limited and is a member of the Executive Investment Committee of the Qatar Charity Organisation.

Khalifa Al-Kuwari, 32, CPA, joined Qatar Holding mid 2009 and is heading the Joint Investment & International Business Department having responsibility for overseeing all government-to-government relations and international joint-ventures of Qatar Holding. Mr Kuwari is a Board Member of Al Huson Investment Company, Qatar and Oman Investment Company and Qatar Exchange. Prior to joining Qatar Holding, Mr Al-Kuwari assumed key roles within leading Qatari Authorities, such as Qatar Investment Authority and Qatar Central Bank.

Sheikh Mohamed Bin Hamad Bin Jasim Al-Thani, 25, is Vice-Chairman of Barwa Bank, a retail and commercial banking institution based in Doha, Qatar. Sheikh Mohamed is a board member of Gulf Investment Group, Qatar Securities Group and First Finance Company (a consumer finance company listed on Doha Stock Market) ("First Finance") and was Chairman of EFG-Hermes Qatar between 2006 and early 2009

There are no details to be disclosed in respect of Faisal Al-Hamadi, Kalifa Al-Kuwari or Sheikh Mohamed Bin Hamad Bin Jasim Al-Thani, under paragraphs (iii) to (viii) of Schedule Two (g) of the AIM Rules.

Also arising from the revised corporate governance arrangements, Johannes Groeller and Philip Lader, non-executive directors, have tendered their resignation as directors of the Company also effective 4 January 2010. The Board would like to thank Mr Groeller and Mr Lader for their contributions since their appointment as directors.

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