

**Regent Inns Plc
Appointment of Director**

Regent Inns Plc (the “**Company**”) announces that it has received notice from Warm Welcome Management Limited, as the owner of 22,834,725 ordinary shares in the Company (and from the registered holder, JIM Nominees Limited), of the appointment of Philip Davies to the office of a director of the Company with effect from 7 July 2009, in accordance with its right under the Company’s articles of association (as amended at the General Meeting of the Company held on 14 May 2009 with effect from 15 June 2009).

The shareholding represents 20.08% of the Company’s current issued ordinary share capital.

Philip Davies is a director, Chairman and 85% shareholder of Warm Welcome Management Limited which operates hotels principally in the South West of England.

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