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### **NON EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RETIREMENT**

Compass Group PLC announces that Tim Parker, a Non Executive Director, will retire from the Board with immediate effect following the announcement that he is to be appointed as First Deputy Mayor and Chief Executive of the Greater London Authority.

Sir Roy Gardner, Chairman, commented: "Tim's experience and business knowledge has been of great value to the deliberations of the Board over the last 14 months. On behalf of the Board I wish Tim every success for the future."

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#### Note to Editors

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