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Compass Group commits to source 100% cage free eggs

Compass Group PLC, one of the world's leading food and support services companies, is proud to announce a significant expansion to its existing cage free egg policy with a commitment to source 100% cage free eggs (both shell and liquid) globally by 2025.

As part of the commitment and building on the considerable progress made to date in our US business, we have committed to achieving this throughout our US operations by 2019.

Nicki Crayfourd, Director of Group Health, Safety and Environment at Compass Group PLC, commented, "Improving the welfare of farm animals is a key focus for our business and we've supported the sourcing of cage free eggs since 2009. This commitment marks the next step in our journey and we look forward to continuing to work with partners such as Compassion in World Farming, Humane Society International and The Humane League who provide invaluable support and guidance."

Compass Group operates in over 50,000 locations across 50 countries, resulting in a diverse and complex supply chain. Our global Supply Chain Integrity Standards give us a robust framework to manage our supply chain and work towards sourcing products in a more sustainable way.

Our industry leading position on animal welfare issues was recognised by our inclusion in Fortune's Change the World list of 50 companies that have had a positive social impact through activities that are part of their core business strategy.

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Note to Editors

Compass Group PLC is one of the world's leading food and support services companies which generated annual revenue of £18 billion in the year to 30 September 2015. It operates in over 50 countries, employs over 500,000 people and serves over 5 billion meals every year. The Company specialises in providing food and a range of support services across the core sectors of Business & Industry, Healthcare & Seniors, Education, Defence, Offshore & Remote, Sports & Leisure and Vending with an established brand portfolio. **www.compass-group.com**