COMPASS GROUP PLC

PAYMENT OF SPECIAL DIVIDEND OF c. £1 BILLION TO SHAREHOLDERS

Compass Group PLC ("Compass" or the "Company") today announces the payment of the Special Dividend of approximately £1 billion to Shareholders.

It is expected that Shareholders entitled to receive the Special Dividend will be sent cheques or, if mandate instructions are held in respect of a sterling bank account, that payments will be made by BACS to mandated bank accounts in respect of the Special Dividend on 17 July 2017.

Terms used in this announcement but which are not otherwise defined shall have the same meanings as set out in the Circular dated 15 May 2017.

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If you have any questions about the Capital Return or Share Capital Consolidation, please call the Shareholder Helpline on 0800 280 2545 (from inside the United Kingdom) or +44 333 300 1568 (if calling from outside of the United Kingdom) between 9.00 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. Monday to Friday (except UK public holidays). Calls to the Shareholder Helpline are free of charge from a BT landline. Costs for calls from mobile telephones and other network providers may vary. Calls to the Shareholder Helpline from outside the United Kingdom will be charged at the applicable international rates. Please note that calls may be recorded and monitored for security and training purposes. For legal reasons, the Shareholder Helpline will be unable to give advice on the merits of the Shareholder Return or Share Capital Consolidation or to provide financial, investment or tax advice.

Notes to Editors:
Compass Group PLC is a world-leading food and support services company, which generated annual revenues of £19.6 billion in the year to 30 September 2016. 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.

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