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Dear Sir/ Madam,

Sub: Press Release

We are enclosing herewith the Press Release dated October 10, 2017 titled: Thomas Cook India Group Raises the Bar of Excellence Honoured with 4 prestigious awards at the TTG Travel Awards 2017& National Tourism Awards.

This is for your information and records.

Thank you, Yours faithfully, For **Thomas Cook (India) Limited**

Amit J. Parekh Company Secretary and Compliance Officer

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TTG Travel Awards:

Outstanding Achievements Award-Best Travel Entrepreneur of the Year: Thomas Cook India Group Best Travel Agency India: Travel Corporation (India) Ltd. Best Travel Agency Indochina: Asian Trails Ltd. **National Tourism Awards 2015-2016:** Best Inbound Tour Operator- Hall of Fame Winner of The National Tourism Award for the 26th time

Mumbai, October 10, 2017: Thomas Cook India Group, India's leading integrated travel and travel related financial services company was recently honored with a slew of prestigious awards at the TTG Travel Awards 2017 and National Tourism Awards.

At the prestigious TTG Travel Awards 2017 held in Bangkok to honour the best of the best in the travel industry and recognize the exemplary organizations that raise the bar of excellence every year, The **Thomas Cook India Group** was the recipient of 3 awards:

- 1. Best Travel Entrepreneur of the Year for The Thomas Cook India Group. This special honour under the Outstanding Achievement Awards category is presented to the most outstanding trend-setting travel Companyone that is not afraid to take risks, thinks outside the box in bringing new sources of revenues, is innovative in meeting new customer demands and contributes to the industry in critical areas such as training and education and sustainability; a company that demonstrates the qualities of a modern and admirable travel entrepreneur.
- 2. Best Travel Agency-India for its Inbound Company Travel Corporation (India) Ltd
- 3. Best Travel Agency-Indochina for Thomas Cook India's Destination Management Company Asian Trails Ltd.

The Travel Agency Awardees were selected basis voting by the discerning readers of TTG Asia, TTG China, TTG India, TTG MICE, TTG-BTMICEe China, TTG Associations and TTG Asia Luxury.

Thomas Cook India's Inbound Company was also honoured by The Ministry of Tourism, Government of India with the **Best Inbound Tour Operator- Hall of Fame award, National Tourism Awards 2015-2016.** This was its 26th consecutive award; the company having received the National Tourism Award in various categories over the last 25 years for Outstanding Performance as Inbound Tour Operator, Responsible Tourism Initiative, Best MICE Operator and Felicitation for Contribution to the Growth of Inbound Tourism. This year, the company was conferred with an honorary award for Best Inbound Tour Operator - paying tribute to an elite group of National Tourism Award winners who have sustained their exceptional delivery and won the same award at least 3 consecutive times, in the same category.

Commenting on the noteworthy achievements, **Mr. Madhavan Menon, Chairman & Managing Director, Thomas Cook (India) Ltd.** said, *"It is indeed a special honour to be receiving multiple accolades at both the National Tourism Awards and TTG's Travel Awards this year. The awards are a powerful tribute to our truly exceptional people at the Thomas Cook India Group and will inspire us to set even higher benchmarks of excellence as we build a truly global travel group."*

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Mr. Dipak Deva, Managing Director, Travel Corporation (India) Ltd. who was present at both ceremonies to receive the awards said, *"It has been a week of awards for us and I am delighted that TCI is being acknowledged at both a national and an Asia Pacific platform via India's National Tourism Award and TTG Travel Awards. Our focused marketing initiatives, unique and creative products and a team that is aligned behind an overall objective to retain our position as the No.1 DMC in the subcontinent- is the reason for this recognition."*

About Thomas Cook (India) Limited: Thomas Cook (India) Ltd. (TCIL) is the leading integrated travel and travel related financial services company in the country offering a broad spectrum of services that include Foreign Exchange, Corporate Travel, MICE, Leisure Travel, Insurance, Visa & Passport services and E-Business. The company set up its first office in India in 1881.

The Thomas Cook India Group spanning 21 countries across 4 continents, a team of over 198,500 and a combined revenue in excess of Rs. 8700 crore (over \$ 1.34 billion), operates leading B2C and B2B brands including, Thomas Cook, SOTC, TCI, Sita, Asian Trails, Allied T Pro, Australian Tours Management, Desert Adventures, Travel Circle International Limited, Private Safaris East & South Africa. The Group is today one of the largest travel service provider networks headquartered in the Asia-Pacific region.

ICRA has reaffirmed the long-term rating on TCIL's non-convertible debenture programme at 'ICRA AA/Stable' and on the preference share programme at 'ICRA AA-/ Stable'. CRISIL has reaffirmed the long term rating of 'CRISIL AA-/ Stable' on TCIL's non-convertible debenture programme and long-term banking facilities, and the short-term rating of 'CRISIL A1+' on the banking facilities.

Thomas Cook (India) Ltd has been felicitated with The French Ambassador's Diamond Award for Exemplary Achievements in Visa Issuance 2015 & 2016; Condé Nast Traveller Readers' Travel Awards 2016 to 2011. Thomas Cook India's Travel Quest was honoured at PATA Gold Awards 2015 and Thomas Cook India's Centre of Learning has received IATA accreditation as Top 10 South Asia IATA Authorized Training Centers 2016, 2015, 2013 & 2012. For more information, please visit www.thomascook.in

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The company, through Thomas Cook (India) Ltd., owns 56.98% of Quess Corp Limited, a provider of integrated business services, and 100% of Sterling Holiday Resorts Limited (formerly Thomas Cook Insurance Services (India) Limited), a company engaged in time share and resort business.

About Quess Corp Limited: Quess Corp Limited (BSE: 539978, NSE: QUESS), established in 2007, is India's leading integrated business services provider. Based out of Bengaluru, Quess has a pan-India presence with 65 offices across 34 cities along with overseas footprint in North America, the Middle East and South East Asia. It serves over 1700+ customers across 4 segments namely, Global Technology Solutions, People & Services, Integrated Facility Management and Industrials. In FY17, Quess generated revenues of INR 4,157 Cr and has over 189,000 employees (including Terrier Security Services & Manipal Integrated Services). Quess has a Market Capital of over INR 10,000 Cr as on April 30, 2017. For more information, please visit www.quesscorp.com

About Sterling Holiday Resorts Limited: Sterling Holiday Resorts Limited, a leading holiday lifestyle company in India, was incorporated in 1986 with the vision of delivering great holiday experiences to Indian families. To achieve this vision, the company pioneered Vacation Ownership in India and set about building a network of leisure resorts at some of the best holiday destinations in India. Currently, Sterling Holidays has an inventory of 2124 rooms across 32 resorts.

In March 2016, Sterling Holidays acquired 'Nature Trails Resorts Private Limited' - an adventure holiday company that operates resorts at four unique destinations in Maharashtra. For more information, please visit <u>www.sterlingholidays.com</u>

About SOTC Travel Limited: SOTC Travel Limited (formerly known as SOTC Travel Private Limited) is a step-down subsidiary of Fairfax Financial Holdings Group; held through its Indian listed subsidiary, Thomas Cook (India) Limited (TCIL). SOTC is a leading travel and tourism company active across various travel segments including Leisure Travel, Incentive Travel and Business Travel.

TCIL through its subsidiary holds100% stake in Travel Circle International Limited, which has an attractive business in the travel sector backed by a trusted brand name, and a stable and motivated professional management team. The company is a premium outbound travel operator in Hong Kong.

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