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## Millennium & Copthorne appoints new Chief Operating Officer Asia

19 August 2008 – Millennium & Copthorne Hotels plc (M&C) has appointed Mr Yim Choon Hing as its new Chief Operating Officer Asia with effect from 18 August 2008.

Mr Yim, 50, joins M&C with 29 years of experience in the North American and Asian hospitality industry with Omni Hotels Corporation, Pan Pacific Hotels & Resorts and Meritus and Resorts. Of this, 15 years were spent at Director level in F&B and Hotel Operations. Mr Yim also started his own consultancy business in August 2004, consulting for major clients like Affina Hotels and the all-suite Venetian Casino in Macau.

Most recently, Mr Yim was Senior Vice President of Operations at Meritus Hotels & Resorts, where he was tasked with leading the strategic direction of the company.

Mr Yim is an advisory board member of the Cornell-Nanyang Institute of Hospitality Management. He holds a BA Economics (Hons) from Heriott-Watt University, Edinburgh, Scotland.

Mr Richard Hartman, CEO of M&C said, "We are pleased to welcome Mr Yim on board. We are fast expanding our portfolio in Asia, especially in China and India, and we hope to benefit from Mr Yim's broad-based experience in the region in operations and F&B."

Mr Hartman added, "Mr Yim brings an important balance between the passion and knowledge of the hospitality industry with the business skills of running successful profitable hotels, restaurants and bars."

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