



CITY INN IS PROUD TO PRESENT SCOTT MACDONALD AS GROUP EXECUTIVE CHEF AT CITY CAFÉ

Wednesday, 5 September 2007 – City Inn is delighted to announce Scott MacDonald as Group Executive Chef for City Café, the critically acclaimed dining experience that operates across all five contemporary hotel properties.

Joining City Café in October 2007, Scott brings a wealth of experience to this innovative and stylish hotel and restaurant group. With his most recent role as the Group Executive Chef at Selfridges & Co., Scott helped pave the way in establishing the brand as one of the leading contenders in the food and restaurant world. Scott's arrival will further strengthen the City Café brand and take its modern European menu to the next level, with the perpetual support of the existing City Café team.

As well as Selfridges & Co., Scott has worked with leading culinary establishments and personalities including Marco Pierre White at Harvey's, Gordon Ramsey at Aubergine and Wild Harvest. Bringing a wealth of experience in the development of restaurant brands, a passion for creative and imaginative food and exceptional leadership skills, Scott will add a fresh voice to the City Café brand.

Lynn Hood, Operations Director for City Inn Ltd, commented, *"We are absolutely thrilled to have Scott joining us as Group Executive Chef for City Café. He brings with him the perfect combination of a passion for sourcing and using the very best quality produce, together with an understanding of changing trends in eating habits. City Café is at the heart of our brand and, together with our experienced Head Chefs, Scott will ensure that we have the right focus to continue to develop the very best dining experience."*

Commenting on his appointment, Scott MacDonald said, *"I am very excited to be joining such an innovative brand and I am looking forward to driving the food side of City Inn to a whole new recognition level."*

With the recent opening of City Inn in Manchester in June 2007 and with other properties under development in Leeds, a second site in London and their first international hotel in Amsterdam, City Inn is enjoying an exciting period of growth and development. Scott's appointment will further cement City Inn and City Café's position as a key player in the British hospitality industry.

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Notes to Editors:

City Inn continues to dramatically add value to the guest experience. This has been recognised by the industry and consumers through a number of awards and accolades. In addition to the Business Travel World Award 2006 & 2007, City Inn Westminster picked up Group Hotel of the Year 2005 at the annual Caterer & Hotelkeeper Awards; Best UK Hotels – 2nd' and Guardian/Observer Travel Awards 2006 to name but a few.

City Inn focuses on building and operating brand new contemporary styled hotels to highest engineering standards in prime city centre locations. Delivering beyond the customer's expectations is central to the brand's philosophy whether a visitor or local, or enjoying a cultural stay in the city. Initiatives have ranged from "no password" free Wi-Fi broadband in all public areas to "curated" art exhibitions, 24 hour Room Service and Guest Services teams always on hand to help out within a modern, informal but professional environment.

Founded by Sandy Orr, Donald MacDonald and David Orr in 1995, the City Inn brand and company was created completely from scratch providing contemporary luxury with a culture of personalised service and commitment to putting the customer first. Each hotel features the highly acclaimed City Café destination restaurant characterised by the al fresco terraces for the summer, with exceptional Chefs offering modern European dining with panache and flair. The design and modernity of the buildings reflect the close relationship between architect and client, ensuring that the buildings are great for the cities as well as customers.

City Inn is now recognised as one of the UK's most exciting new hotel groups, with five hotels open – London, Manchester, Birmingham, Bristol and Glasgow. The company is continuing to pursue a strategy of developing City Inn in prime UK city centres, with Leeds, and a further site in London. In January 2007 City Inn announced their first international hotel development in Amsterdam.

For more information on City Inn visit the website www.cityinn.com

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