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## **MGM Hosts Macau's First Food Safety Seminar for Local SMEs with Governmental Departments**

*Various Initiatives Aim to Elevate Macau's F&B Industry Standards and Competitiveness*

**[June 8, 2016, Macau]** MGM hosted the "MGM SME Food Safety Seminar" on June 7, 2016 in collaboration with the Macao Chamber of Commerce, supported by the Macao Economic Services (MCC), Macao Civic and Municipal Affairs Bureau (IACM), Macao Productivity and Technology Transfer Center (CPTTM), and Macau Trade and Investment Promotion Institute (IPIM). Attended by more than 300 participants, the event marks the very first food safety seminar jointly organized by the private and public sectors of Macau.

MGM is dedicated to supporting local small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and cultivating sustainable partnerships with the community. The objective of this Seminar is to give local SME suppliers in the food and beverage industry a platform to learn about the Food Safety Law and international standards in the purchasing process raised by both the government and the local integrated resort operators.

Mr. Cheong Kuai Tat, Head of Food Safety Centre of IACM, emphasized the important obligations of food product manufacturers as listed in the SAR's Food Safety Law, and a series of supporting programs offered by the Government, such as food safety inspections, guidelines, warning mechanism, and training seminars. Additionally, he introduced the "Food Hygiene Supervisory Incentive Program" to the audience, and encouraged members of the industry to participate in this self-monitoring program at workplace. Meanwhile, Mr. Winston Yeung, Executive Director of Risk and Safety of MGM, introduced the Company's operations, practices of food safety standards, procurement procedures and more. The participants, including food and beverage SME vendors, representatives from local restaurants, hotels and integrated resort operators, government officials, as well as other community members, were also introduced to the ISO certification subsidy program initiated by the government in a presentation given by Ms. Helena Lei, Senior Manager of Standards, Management, Training & Assessment Development of CPTTM.

Mr. Grant Bowie, Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director of MGM China Holdings Limited said, "As an integrated resort operator with a strong presence in Macau, we understand the importance of helping local SMEs to enhance their competitiveness to an international level, so that they may bring their businesses beyond Macau. We are dedicated to working with the government to help make this possible, which in turn will create a sustainable growth for local businesses and thus, a better future for the community."

Mr. U Kin Cho, Vice-President of Board of Directors of MCC acknowledged the success of the event, "Food and beverage is an integral part of the overall traveling experience that helps make Macau a world tourism and leisure center. As our government looks to position Macau as a City of Gastronomy, it is indeed timely for the government and corporate to jointly launch this seminar for local SMEs, to help them understand and follow international food safety standards, which will enhance Macau's attractiveness as a tourism destination."



MGM has hosted two quarterly SME Business Matching Sessions since the inauguration of its SME Program in October 2015. The third matching session will be hosting at MGM on June 24, 2016 and focus on food and beverage as well as the creative industry goods or services that local SMEs can provide. MGM will continue to host Business Matching Sessions quarterly throughout 2016 focusing on specific themes of products regularly sourced by the Company.

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### **About MGM**

MGM is an abbreviation for MGM China Holdings Limited (HKEx: 2282) and is a leading developer, owner and operator of gaming and lodging resorts in the Greater China region. We are the holding company of MGM Grand Paradise, SA which holds one of the six gaming concessions/subconcessions to run casino games in Macau. MGM Grand Paradise, SA owns and operates MGM MACAU, the award-winning premium integrated resort located on the Macau Peninsula and is developing a second resort, MGM COTAI which is expected to more than double our presence in Macau.

MGM MACAU is a Forbes Five-Star luxury integrated resort inspired by the arts with every element of the resort infused with creativity and style. MGM MACAU has approximately 600 guest rooms and suites and boasts a number of distinguishing features, including the architecturally stunning European-inspired Grande Praça, housed under a soaring glass ceiling. MGM MACAU's world class facilities include the MGM Art Space, dedicating over 8,000 square feet to display authentic works of art, conference and event facilities, spa, and eight signature restaurants and bars to fulfill any gastronomic craving. Our property is conveniently located on prime waterfront on the Macau Peninsula and is directly connected to the luxury retail shopping complex, One Central.

MGM COTAI, designed as the "jewelry box" of Cotai, plans to offer approximately 1,500 hotel rooms and suites, meeting space, high end spa, retail offerings and food and beverage outlets as well as the first international Mansion at MGM for the ultimate luxury experience. MGM COTAI will offer Asia's first dynamic theater and a spectacle to wow every guest who steps foot in our resort. MGM COTAI is being developed to drive greater product diversification and bring more advanced and innovative forms of entertainment to Macau as it grows as a global tourist destination. The HK\$24billion project is expected to open towards the end of the first quarter of 2017.

MGM China Holdings Limited is majority owned by MGM Resorts International (NYSE: MGM) one of the world's leading global hospitality companies, operating a portfolio of destination resort brands including Bellagio, MGM Grand, Mandalay Bay and The Mirage.



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