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The LSG Group pledges commitment to cage-free eggs by 2025

Neu-Isenburg, Germany, February 7, 2023 – As a global leader in airline catering and food commerce, the LSG Group is committed to promoting responsible sourcing across its supply chain. This includes looking out for the welfare of animals, which is why the company is pledging to make its entire egg supply chain cage-free by 2025.

The egg (and egg product) purchases across the LSG Group's (LSG Sky Chefs and Retail inMotion) global network of wholly owned facilities will abide by certified standards of animal welfare that meet or exceed any local regulations. The minimum welfare standard for its purchases will be certified barn-laid or cage-free eggs, meaning that the hens producing the eggs are not caged.

The Group is aware of the challenge it faces in ensuring that its suppliers increasingly comply with its stringent procurement standards. At the same time, the company understands that the production of cage-free eggs translates into farmers and suppliers incurring higher costs and that transitioning to cage-free takes time.

Together with the international non-profit organization Mercy for Animals, the LSG Group will work with its partners and suppliers in finding solutions for a more animal-friendly egg supply to achieve its goal by 2025. Mercy for Animals aims to prevent cruelty to farmed animals and promote compassionate food choices and policies.

"We want to direct our focus to sustainability topics that are central to our business and where we can also make an impact at the same time," said Erdmann Rauer, CEO of the LSG Group. "In doing so, it is important to understand precisely how these topics are linked to our operations and our broader value chain. Our cage-free egg pledge is clearly a factor in this process. We expect our suppliers to have the same high standards our customers expect from us."

"Our objective is to develop a coordinated approach that will allow us to creatively cooperate with our customers and suppliers in making our cage-free policy a shared standard along our supply chain," added Simon Frischeimer, Head of Sustainability Management and Chief of Staff to the CEO at the LSG Group.

"With this global cage-free egg commitment, the LSG Group is charting an influential path forward by banning cages for laying hens in its global egg supply chain and even investigating egg alternatives to build supply-chain resiliency, " stated Zoë Sigle, Senior Global Corporate Engagement Manager at Mercy for Animals.

The LSG Group is the quality and technology leader in airline catering and related markets. It has two strong, independent expert brands: LSG Sky Chefs a global catering specialist with the highest hygiene and quality standards for airlines, the home delivery market and retail. Retail inMotion, which specializes in in-flight sales, product development and technology solutions, sets standards with its understanding of partnership and its innovative strength.

LSG Group (International) is headquartered in Neu-Isenburg near Frankfurt, Germany, and has an extensive network of joint ventures and partnerships around the globe. In the pandemic year 2021, its 15,500 employees at 140 locations in 40 countries worldwide generated consolidated revenue of 1,113 million euros. LSG Sky Chefs produced 131 million meals (excluding minority interests) during this period. www.lsg-group.com