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### YTL HOTELS DEBUTS TWO AUTOGRAPH COLLECTION HOTELS IN MALAYSIA

**Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia** – **5 January 2017**: YTL Hotels is delighted to announce two Autograph Collection Hotels in Kuala Lumpur, an ensemble of exclusive independent hotels by Marriott International. 1 January 2017 marks the brand's entry into Malaysia, creating a new chapter for The Majestic Hotel Kuala Lumpur as the first Autograph Collection Hotel. The Majestic Hotel Kuala Lumpur is now established as part of Autograph Collection of iconic historic hotels where the allure of a city's distinctive past meet all of today's modern luxuries and stylish innovations. Our second Autograph Collection Hotel will be Hotel Stripes Kuala Lumpur which will make its exciting debut in February 2017. The chic and stylish Hotel Stripes Kuala Lumpur draws inspiration from the history and heartbeat of its local neighbourhood. As a member of Autograph Collection, it features a distinctive vibe and character with a different perspective on the local scene mixed with edge and adventure.

Dato' Mark Yeoh, Executive Director of YTL Hotels said, "Our long-term partnership with Marriott International continues to grow steadily with our two Autograph Collection Hotels in Kuala Lumpur and across the continents that encompasses eight properties across Asia-Pacific and Europe".

YTL Hotels has enjoyed almost two decades of a very successful long term relationship with Marriott International since 1995 through the ownership management and future development of eight properties: Sydney Harbour Marriott Hotel, Brisbane Marriott Hotel, Melbourne Marriott Hotel, The Ritz-Carlton Kuala Lumpur, JW Marriott Kuala Lumpur, The Ritz-Carlton Koh Samui - Thailand and the first Ritz-Carlton Reserve in Niseko Village - Japan. In 2016, YTL Hotels acquired The Glasshouse Hotel, Autograph Collection in Edinburgh, United Kingdom, an award-winning 77-room luxury boutique hotel with a secret rooftop garden and was once Lady Glenorchy Church built in the mid-19th century.

The affiliation of The Majestic Hotel Kuala Lumpur and Hotel Stripes Kuala Lumpur with Autograph Collection Hotels encapsulates the brand's international standards of quality, bold originality, and ability to create memories through enriching travel experiences for the discerning travelers around the globe.

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### THE MAJESTIC HOTEL KUALA LUMPUR



The Majestic Hotel Kuala Lumpur includes the iconic Hotel Majestic building, documented as a national heritage site under the Antiquities Act. Built in the 1930s, the original hotel became one of the great landmarks of Kuala Lumpur in its time. The hotel was the place for glamorous social events, government receptions and the residence for prominent international visitors. The Majestic Hotel Kuala Lumpur is positioned to share the glamour, heritage and success of its predecessor. Set on 3.2 acres on Jalan Sultan Hishamuddin, this key location is the historical mile of Kuala Lumpur, opposite the old Moorish style railway station, another famous landmark in the city.

The hotel features 300 luxurious rooms and suites. The Majestic Wing, the fully restored original fivestorey Majestic Hotel, houses the Suites with Butler Service, The Colonial Cafe, The Bar and The Tea Lounge. The 15-storey Tower Wing complementing the art deco style houses the Reception, Deluxe Rooms and Suites, Contango Restaurant, 13 meeting rooms, a pillarless ballroom that can seat 1,200 people, a gymnasium and a swimming pool. Visit <u>www.majestickl.com</u> for more information.

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### HOTEL STRIPES KUALA LUMPUR



Located in the heart of Kuala Lumpur on historical Jalan Kamunting, Hotel Stripes Kuala Lumpur connects guests to the pulse of an urban neighbourhood, right by the city's business hub, with some of the city's greatest local food, art galleries, shops and legendary landmarks. As an Autograph Collection, Hotel Stripes Kuala Lumpur features a distinctive vibe and character with a different perspective on the local scene mixed with a bit of edgy style and adventure. 184 bespoke guest rooms and suites are a unique blend of contemporary design and urban chic, reflecting the history and character of the neighbourhood. The Snug, an all-day dining restaurant and Brasserie 25, the French-style restaurant provide guests with a cosy and relaxing ambience to enjoy local and international cuisines. Stylish and creative spaces are available for business and social events.

Today, the neighbourhood of Jalan Kamunting includes the reincarnation of The Row, formally known as the Asian Heritage Row. Twenty-two 1940s shophouses feature great restaurants, a dazzling nightlife, cafés, art galleries and creative businesses. A dynamic mix of old and new, this vibrant atmosphere which fuels the city defines Stripes. Visit <u>www.stripeskl.com</u> for more information.

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#### About YTL Hotels

YTL Hotels owns and manages a prestigious collection of award-winning resorts, hotels, boutique experiences and Spa Villages in Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, China, Japan, Australia, France and the UK, including Pangkor Laut Resort, voted the world's best resort in 2003 by Condé Nast Traveller UK. The group also co-owns the Eastern & Oriental Express luxury train.

2014 brought the launch of Kasara, a new brand of luxury accommodation offering bespoke, one-of-a-kind experiences in Niseko Village. The Gainsborough Bath Spa, the group's latest addition, is the only hotel in Bath to be part of the Leading Hotels of the World's collection of legendary hotels and has recently been named one of the Top 10 Hotel Spas in Europe. Set in the heart of Bath, a World Heritage Site, this unique heritage gem exclusively offers the only natural thermal spa within a hotel in the United Kingdom.

With each new experience that it presents, the company strives to embrace and highlight the natural essence of culture, character and tradition of its surroundings. YTL Hotels is the hospitality arm of YTL Corporation Berhad. Visit <u>www.ytlhotels.com</u> for more information.

#### **About Autograph Collection Hotels**

Autograph Collection Hotels celebrates individuality by curating one-of-a-kind travel experiences at more than 100 luxury lifestyle hotels found in the world's most desirable destinations. Exactly like nothing else, each hotel has been hand selected for its distinction as an iconic landmark, for its remarkable design or for its best-in-class resort amenities. For more information please visit www.autographhotels.com, and explore our social media channels to learn more about championing the independent spirit that is #ExactlyLikeNothingElse.

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