Melco Cyprus becomes first European operator to receive RG Check accreditation

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Making Melco the first and only operator to receive Responsible Gaming certification across its global portfolio

MACAU, Dec. 16, 2021 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Melco Cyprus, operator of Cyprus Casinos (C2) and the upcoming integrated resort, City of Dreams Mediterranean, announces C2 has been accredited with the esteemed third-party accreditation for Responsible Gaming -- RG Check, establishing C2 as the first in Europe to receive the endorsement. The achievement further establishes Melco as the first and only integrated resort operator in the world to be recognized by RG Check in all its jurisdictions of operations. The accreditation has been awarded to all four C2 venues, namely Limassol, Nicosia, Ayia Napa and Paphos. Tied to Melco's commitment to safeguarding the community's wellbeing is its effort to promote Responsible Gaming. Melco surpasses mandated regulatory requirements in all its jurisdictions of operation, and seeks continuous improvement to ensure a fair and safe experience for all guests.

C2's RG Check accreditation is a demonstration of Melco's commitment to Responsible Gaming across its global operations. As announced earlier (link to release), the Company was the first in Macau and the Philippines to attain RG Check certifications. Melco's entire global portfolio, including Altira Macau, City of Dreams Macau, Studio City, City of Dreams Manila, and now Cyprus' C2, are accredited by RG Check, making Melco the only operator to receive RG Check certifications for its entire portfolio in Macau, the Philippines and Cyprus.

Mr. Lawrence Ho, Chairman & CEO of Melco, said, "Melco is dedicated to being the industry's leader in the promotion of Responsible Gaming. Providing a safe and fair gaming experience for guests continues to be at the core of the Company's commitment to society. The sustainable development and continued implementation of a Responsible Gaming culture is prioritized within every jurisdiction that we operate. We wish to thank the RG Check organizers for the honor, and our colleagues in Cyprus for making this achievement possible."

Ms. Shelley White, CEO of Responsible Gambling Council (RGC), said, "RGC is thrilled that Melco has once again demonstrated its commitment to responsible gaming by achieving the RG Check accreditation in Cyprus for each of its four operating Cyprus Casinos properties. This is the third jurisdiction in which Melco has successfully completed the RG Check Accreditation. Throughout this process, Melco has demonstrated its transparency as an operator and has made duty of care a priority in its operations. In particular, we commend Melco on a best in class score in the Standard Areas of RG Policy, Strategy and Culture which recognizes Melco's strong responsible gaming leadership and its comprehensive and integrated approach to building a responsible gaming culture that demonstrates awareness of the potential harms caused by gambling, as well as prevention and mitigation measures. RG Check is an invaluable tool for managing risk and increasing the effectiveness of RG programming. RGC is proud to provide continuous support to Melco's harm minimization efforts throughout their properties around the world."

RG Check is the world's most comprehensive and rigorous responsible gaming accreditation program. It is designed to meet or exceed all existing responsible gaming regulatory requirements and is valid for three years. Accreditation is reviewed by a prestigious and independent panel of responsible gaming specialists.

About Melco Resorts & Entertainment Limited

The Company, with its American depositary shares listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market (NASDAQ: MLCO), is a developer, owner and operator of integrated resort facilities in Asia and Europe. The Company currently operates Altira Macau (www.altiramacau.com), an integrated resort located at Taipa, Macau and City of Dreams (www.cityofdreamsmacau.com), an integrated resort located in Cotai, Macau. Its business also includes the Mocha Clubs (www.mochaclubs.com), which comprise the largest non-casino based operations of electronic gaming machines in Macau. The Company also majority owns and operates Studio City (www.studiocity-macau.com), a cinematically-themed integrated resort in Cotai, Macau. In the Philippines, a Philippine subsidiary of the Company currently operates and manages City of Dreams Manila (www.cityofdreamsmanila.com), an integrated resort in the Entertainment City complex in Manila. In Europe, the Company is currently developing City of Dreams Mediterranean (www.cityofdreamsmed.com.cy) in the Republic of Cyprus, which is expected to be the largest and premier integrated destination resort in Europe. The Company is currently operating a temporary casino, the first authorized casino in the Republic of Cyprus, and is licensed to operate four satellite casinos ("Cyprus Casinos"). Upon the opening of City of Dreams Mediterranean, the Company will continue to operate the satellite casinos while operation of the temporary casino will cease. For more information about the Company, please visit www.melco-resorts.com.

The Company is strongly supported by its single largest shareholder, Melco International Development Limited, a company listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and is substantially owned and led by Mr. Lawrence Ho, who is the Chairman, Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Company.

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