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**New Days and Ramada Hotels Geared for Opening with Management Team in Place**

SINGAPORE (July 11 2012) – Management for the various departments, including human resources, sales and marketing, revenue, food and beverage, and rooms are now in place with long-time hotel veteran Tony Cousens appointed as the General Manager to spearhead the opening of the 405-room Days Hotel Singapore at Zhongshan Park in December 2012 and the 384-room Ramada Singapore at Zhongshan Park in February 2013.

Days and Ramada are two of the sixteen brands under the Wyndham Hotel Group, the world's largest and most diverse hotel group with more than 7,150 hotels around the world.

Cousens brings with him over 30 years of hotel management experience in North America, the Middle East and the Asia Pacific regions including Le Meridien, Four Seasons and Jumeirah, He has also managed the renovation and led a team in the successful relaunch of the Marina Mandarin Singapore in 2005.

“I am confident that we have a very strong and competent management team that will provide inspiring leadership and service when our hotels open. Our immediate task now is to recruit associates to join us as part of our pre-opening team for both hotels. We are looking for people who will come and shape the future of the two international hotels within the Wyndham family in Singapore,” said Cousens, who helms the central pre-opening team of the Days and Ramada Hotels at Zhongshan Park.

All associates will be trained to work cross-functionally and will be effective communicators, leaders, problem-solvers, and of course, team players. According to Candice Lim, director of human resources, every associate will be given the opportunity to participate in a comprehensive talent development program and acquire life-long skills.

“One of our unique value propositions is that we are giving people the rare opportunity to be part of a pre-opening team of two brand-new international hotels. This is certainly not an everyday opportunity and we are looking to bring in talents that we can grow and hone,” explained Lim.

The Days Hotel and the Ramada Hotel at Zhongshan Park, with just under 800 rooms, will offer both business and leisure travelers the distinctive opportunity to stay next to a heritage park, a shopping mall and be within stone's throw away from over a dozen cafes, restaurants and pubs serving a mix of local Asian and Western cuisine – all in one single destination.

Added Cousens, “we expect the new development at Zhongshan Park, once completely opened in March 2013, to transform the landscape and skyline of Balestier. This is a vibrant landmark development at the heart of Singapore.”

As part of its effort to recruit for new talents, Days Hotel will be hosting a career fair in the afternoon of August 17 2012 and for the full day on August 18 at the Drama Centre Foyer of the National Library Board building.

Both hotels are accessibly located within a ten-minute walk to Novena MRT station and the Novena medical hub. The CBD, Marina Bay, and well-known Orchard Road shopping areas are a fifteen-minute drive away whereas Resorts World Sentosa, Universal Studios Singapore and Changi Airport are a mere twenty-minute drive from the hotels.

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### **About Days Hotel Singapore at Zhongshan Park**

Days Hotel Singapore at Zhongshan Park is a member of the Days Inn brand which is a member of the Wyndham Hotel Group family of lodging brands. Days Hotel Singapore at Zhongshan Park offers comfortable and stylish hotel accommodation with smart basic amenities for both leisure and business travelers. All guest rooms are decorated in two signature color schemes and come equipped with free high-speed WIFI access, an in-room fridge, an electronic safe, hairdryer, complimentary mineral water as well as coffee and tea-making facilities.

### **About Ramada Singapore at Zhongshan Park**

Ramada Singapore at Zhongshan Park, is a member of the Ramada brand which is a member of the Wyndham Hotel Group family of lodging brands. All rooms are elegantly designed and equipped in a contemporary and chic style. With a total of 384 guest rooms, including 27 connecting rooms, an all-day dining restaurant and room service, a swimming pool, gym, business centre and a lobby lounge, the Ramada Singapore at Zhongshan Park is currently the only four-star hotel from an international chain in the Balestier and Novena area.

Both Days and Ramada Hotels are independently owned but operated under a management contract with an affiliate within the Wyndham Hotel Group. Wyndham Hotel Group is based in Parsippany, N.J. Additional information is available at [www.wyndhamworldwide.com](http://www.wyndhamworldwide.com).

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