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DIRECTORATE CHANGE

THE RANK GROUP PLC'S FINANCE DIRECTOR APPOINTED FINANCE DIRECTOR OF MARKS AND SPENCER GROUP PLC

The Rank Group Plc ('Rank') announces that Ian Dyson is to resign as Finance Director, and as a Director of the Company, to take up an appointment with Marks and Spencer Group plc as its Finance Director. The effective date of Mr Dyson's resignation has not yet been determined; a further announcement will be made when the date has been decided. A search is now underway for his successor.

Rank's Chief Executive, Mike Smith, said: "Ian joined Rank in 1999 and has worked closely with me for the last five years on the restructuring and refocusing of the business. He has made a very significant contribution to the Group's transformation and we wish him well in his new role".

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