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ARGENT HEALTH & SAFETY WINS PRESTIGIOUS TUI CONTRACT

Travel industry risk management specialists, Argent Health & Safety, have won a prestigious contract with TUI UK & Ireland (TUI UK), parent company of Thomson and First Choice Holidays. Argent Health & Safety will be advising TUI UK in both a consultancy and audit capacity, working across the holiday company's Mainstream brands, including Thomson and First Choice Holidays.

TUI UK is part of TUI Travel PLC, the world's leading leisure travel company operating in over 180 countries with more than 30 million customers in 27 key source markets.

Argent will be responsible for health and safety audits of TUI UK's contracted hotel and excursion partners and will also be reviewing the tour operator's safety management systems and business practices, to ensure all operate to the highest standards.

Claire Mulligan, Director of Argent Health & Safety, said: "This is a great win which recognises the specialist market-leading capability we offer in all areas of health & safety affecting travel operators.

"Good reputation is vital to all travel operators and is easily undermined by any, inevitably high-profile, incidents affecting their holidaymaker customers. All operators recognise the importance of making sure the hotels, villas and locations they use are as safe as possible. In selecting Argent's health and safety experts, TUI UK & Ireland has secured 24/7 access to technical specialists with the strength and breadth of expertise to cover all circumstances."

Argent Health & Safety provides similar services to organisations such as Expedia, GTA (Gulliver's Travels), Disney Europe and Jet2holidays. The company also operates ABTAResort Check, an online health & safety audit report service for holiday providers offering up-to-date health & safety information on hundreds of venues worldwide on behalf of ABTA.

Nick Longman, Distribution and Customer Director, TUI UK & Ireland said: "Safety is of paramount importance to the quality experience we aim to provide our customers. That is why we have chosen to work with Argent Health & Safety. They will independently check that our working practices are set to the highest standard and their capability and experience means they can efficiently and cost-effectively audit all of the hotels, villas and other venues we use."

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Notes to Editors

Argent Health & Safety is a unique specialist provider of health and safety services to the travel and tourism industry. With over 50 years' experience supporting leading brands within the industry, Argent delivers bespoke solutions tailored meet individual client needs and ensuring that at all times they comply with their legal and corporate responsibilities.

Argent delivers a consistent and quality service that is both cost-effective and a benchmark for leading representative bodies. Services include: Provision of market leading online health & safety database; Audit services; Post incident support and investigation; Design service for safety, due diligence policies, manuals and procedures; Claims and litigation support and advice; Resolution and negotiated defect solutions; Specialist consultancy services.

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