



Contact: Michelle Abril, Quinn & Co., 212-868-1900 x237; mabril@quinnandco.com
Caroline Kerrigan, Quinn & Co., 212-868-1900 x253; ckerrigan@quinnandco.com

Doral Golf Resort & Spa, a Marriott Resort, Debuts \$25 Million Legends Ballroom

Unveiling of 60,000-Square-Foot Facility Increases Resort Meeting & Event Space to Over 110,000 Square-Foot

Additional Renovations Include Blue Monster Golf Course & Spa at Doral Enhancements

MIAMI – January XX, 2007 – Doral Golf Resort & Spa, a Marriott Resort, rings in 2007 with the debut of the 60,000-square-foot Legends Ballroom. The new \$25 million facility features a 24,000-square-foot ballroom with 22-foot ceilings and 27,000 square feet of indoor and outdoor pre-function space. Accommodating up to 2,000 attendees, the Legends Ballroom is the ideal location for corporate events, meetings, elaborate receptions and unforgettable social affairs.

“The Legends Ballroom, in addition to our existing meeting and convention space, offers the opportunity to host larger events in a truly legendary setting, further enhancing Doral’s position as one of the country’s premier golf resort and spa destinations,” said Tuni Kyi, vice president and general manager of Doral Golf Resort & Spa, a Marriott Resort.

The flexible space can be sectioned into 12 break-out rooms and boasts state-of-the-art technology. Offering meeting planners the unique opportunity to interact with Doral’s renowned chefs, the Legends Ballroom also features a modern kitchen where chefs will be able to showcase their culinary masterpieces as they prepare menu selections for each event. As one of Miami’s premier resorts, the Doral Golf Resort & Spa, a Marriott Resort features more than 110,000 square feet of function space in over 40 rooms.

The Legends Ballroom is named in honor of the renowned guests that have stayed and played at the resort since its opening 45 years ago, including: Tiger Woods, Jackie Gleason, Joe Namath and Greg Norman to name a few. “Doral has a rich history of hosting legendary moments, from Tiger Woods’ unbelievable eagle in 2005 during the ‘Duel at Doral’ against arch rival Phil Mickelson to Greg Norman’s three amazing PGA Championship wins,” said Kyi, “The Legends Ballroom pays tribute to this extraordinary history, as well as providing the opportunity to host legendary events to come.”

The new Legends Ballroom is one of several renovations taking place at the resort in 2007, including a \$2 million renewal of the treatment rooms at the European-inspired Spa at Doral and \$3 million renovation of guestrooms and meeting space. Doral Golf Resort & Spa will also enhance the leisure amenities at the resort, adding four tennis courts and replacing the greens on the Gold Course.

In 2006, the resort’s famed Blue Monster golf course underwent its own makeover. The Blue Monster, one of five championship golf courses on property, re-opened on September 25, 2006 after a four-month renovation, including a series of refinements designed to create more consistent playing conditions throughout the year. The enhancements also prepared the course for the CA Championship, a World Golf Championship event taking place March 20-25, 2007.

For reservations and information, please call (305) 592-2000 or visit www.doralresort.com.

Situated on 650 tropical acres, the award-winning Doral Golf Resort & Spa, a Marriott Resort is one of Miami's premier resorts. All 693 luxuriously-appointed accommodations, including 96 suites, boast individual balconies/patios, guest-controlled air conditioning, direct-dial telephone with two-lines for high-speed Internet or fax access, electronic safes with rechargeable capabilities for your laptop, and more. Featuring five 18-hole championship golf courses, including the famed Blue Monster, the Doral is continuously ranked one of the country's leading golf destinations. The European inspired Spa at Doral offers guests more than 100 spa services, 52 treatment rooms, an on-site registered dietician/nutritionist and state-of-the-art exercise center. With over 90,000 square-feet of flexible meeting and function space Doral Golf Resort & Spa is the perfect location for corporate events, meetings, elaborate receptions and unforgettable social events. For dining, guests can choose from five delectable restaurants including Windows on the Green, The Atrium, Terrazza Restaurant and Café, Champions Bar & Grill and Bungalou's Bar & Grill. Located only seven miles from Miami International Airport, the hotel also features the acclaimed Arthur Ashe Tennis Center, Jim McLean Golf Center, The Blue Lagoon aquatic recreation area and nine retail shops.

MARRIOTT INTERNATIONAL, INC. (NYSE:MAR) is a leading lodging company with over 2,700 lodging properties in the United States and 66 other countries and territories. Marriott International operates and franchises hotels under the *Marriott*, *JW Marriott*, *The Ritz-Carlton*, *Renaissance*, *Residence Inn*, *Courtyard*, *TownePlace Suites*, *Fairfield Inn*, *SpringHill Suites* and *Bulgari* brand names; develops and operates vacation ownership resorts under the *Marriott Vacation Club International*, *Horizons*, *The Ritz-Carlton Club* and *Grand Residences by Marriott* brands; operates *Marriott Executive Apartments*; provides furnished corporate housing through its *Marriott ExecuStay* division; and operates conference centers. Marriott is also in the synthetic fuel business. The company is headquartered in Washington, D.C., and has approximately 143,000 employees. In fiscal year 2005, Marriott International reported sales from continuing operations of \$11.6 billion. For more information or reservations, please visit our web site at www.marriott.com.

###