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NEW SIGNINGS FOR UNION SQUARE

Hammerson has confirmed a number of additional brands for its Union Square development. New retailers to Aberdeen include Apple, Cult, Mamas & Papas and Instyle. JD Sports and Barrhead Travel have also secured units at the new £250m retail and leisure scheme.

Apple's Union Square store will be the second in Scotland. The 654m² (7,038 sq ft) unit will be located within the main fashion mall over the ground and upper levels.

Cult has taken a 8,500 sq ft store on the ground floor in the main retail mall. The store, which stocks popular young fashion brands, will strengthen the existing fashion line-up, joining Zara, H&M and recently signed Bestseller brands Vero Moda and Jack & Jones.

Mamas & Papas, JD Sports and Instyle have all joined the retail park element at Union Square which is anchored by Marks & Spencer.

Mamas & Papas, the UK's No.1 maternity fashion and nursery brand, has taken a 660m² (6,956 sq ft) store next to Dorothy Perkins, Wallis, Warehouse, Miss Selfridge and Burton.

Scottish furniture retailer Instyle has taken a 2,533m² (27,265 sq ft) unit and JD Sports, situated adjacent to Next and Clarks.

Sheila King, Hammerson director of retail leasing said: "The combination of open retail park and shopping centre at Union Square is a first for Aberdeen and offers retailers new, well proportioned retail space. This format allows us to cater for a variety of retailers and importantly creates a new shopping experience for consumers."

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Notes to Editors:

Union Square

Union Square is a £250 million mixed use, regeneration scheme creating a new retail and leisure quarter for Aberdeen. Developed by Hammerson, the scheme includes 56 retail units, comprising a range of national and international brands, up to 12 restaurants and cafés, a 203 bed hotel and 10 screen multiplex, set to be Aberdeen's largest cinema. The scheme will also provide visitors with a new civic square. Union Square will be Aberdeen's most accessible retail and leisure offer with 1,700 car parking spaces, easily reached from all major routes and integrated with the city's bus and rail stations - providing a gateway to the region and encouraging sustainable travel to the city.

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Hammerson plc

Hammerson plc is a FTSE-100 Real Estate Investment Trust which operates principally in the retail sector in the UK and France. Its £6.5 billion portfolio, which provides 1.4 million m² of retail space and 255,000 m² of offices, includes 15 major shopping centres and 19 retail parks.

Hammerson has a track record of successfully delivering major city centre regeneration projects. Award-winning developments include Bishops Square in London and Bullring in Birmingham. In September 2008 the Company opened three major retail-led developments: Highcross, Leicester; Cabot Circus, Bristol and an extension to Parinor, an existing centre in Paris. This autumn, Hammerson will open its latest retail-led regeneration scheme, Union Square in Aberdeen.

The Company is currently working with several councils across the UK to deliver retail-led mixed-use projects in cities including Leeds, Southampton and Sheffield.

For more information, visit www.hammerson.com.