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Metro International awarded Newspaper of the Year 2009

Metro International S.A. ("Metro" or "the Company"), the international newspaper group, today announces that it has been awarded 'Newspaper of the Year 2009' at the inaugural Festival of Media Awards in Valencia, Spain.

The 'Newspaper of the Year 2009' award celebrates newspaper heritage and honors the balance of "publishers and editors working in harmony". Metro won the prestigious title over other international titles such as the Financial Times, the Wall Street Journal and the New York Times.

The Festival of Media is the world's first global festival of media creativity and innovation, showcasing top creative thinking of the industry. The festival was attended by senior directors of both international newspaper titles as well as global media advertisers.

Per Mikael Jensen, CEO and President of Metro said: "On behalf of our amazing staff, I am very proud that Metro has been given this honor by some of the most influential and respected individuals in the global media industry. Metro prides itself on creating new, effective and innovative advertising solutions while at the same time, ensuring the highest editorial standards possible. This award provides further confirmation that Metro is well placed to continue to meet the needs of both our loyal consumers and advertisers throughout the 21st century. In these tough economic times, I believe this is why Metro continues to gain a greater share of both readership and global print advertising."

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ABOUT METRO INTERNATIONAL AND METRO

Metro is the largest international newspaper in the world. Metro is published in over 100 major cities in 18 countries across Europe, North & South America and Asia. Metro has a unique global reach- attracting a young, active, well-educated Metropolitan audience of 17 million daily readers.

Metro International S.A. shares are listed on Nasdaq OMX Stockholm through Swedish Depository Receipts of series A and series B under the symbols MTROA and MTROB