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## New Radisson Hotel in Mali, West Africa

The Rezidor Hotel Group will open a new Radisson Hotel in Mali, West Africa. The property with 73 suites is currently under construction in Mali's capital city Bamako along the banks of the Niger River and scheduled to open in late 2007/early 2008. Between 2007 and 2009, Rezidor will open 20.000 new rooms in total.

"West Africa is an emerging market", says Kurt Ritter, President & CEO of Rezidor. "The hotel represents a valuable addition to our network in this region where there are currently two Radisson hotels under construction in Dakar, Senegal and in Lagos, Nigeria." Services of the new all-suite-property will include 2 restaurants, 1 bar, 3 meeting rooms and a fitness area. The building is well connected to the local road transport network, and the international airport is within a 15-minute drive.

Bamako is Mali's largest city as well as its economic and administrative centre. Mali's economic resources mainly come from agriculture, livestock and fishing, and more recently from gold following the opening of several new mines. The country has become Africa's third largest gold producer after South Africa and Ghana.

### Facts and Figures:

Hotel	Radisson Hotel Mali (to open)
Rooms	73

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### About the Rezidor Hotel Group:

*The Rezidor Hotel Group is one of the fastest growing hotel companies in the world. The group features a portfolio of 300 hotels in operation and under development with more than 61.000 rooms in 47 countries.*

*Rezidor operates the brands **Radisson SAS Hotels & Resorts**, **Regent International Hotels**, **Park Inn** and **Country Inns & Suites** in Europe, Middle East and Africa, along with the goldpoints plus<sup>SM</sup> loyalty programme for frequent hotel guests. Rezidor has signed a worldwide license agreement with the Italian fashion house Missoni, in order to develop and operate a lifestyle hotel brand of the same name: **Hotel Missoni**.*

*In November 2006, Rezidor was listed on the Stockholm Stock Exchange. With 41,7%, Carlson Companies is the main shareholder.*

*The Corporate Office of the Rezidor Hotel Group is based in Brussels, Belgium.*

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