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BOARD CHANGES

JJB Sports PLC ("JJB") wishes to advise that its Chief Executive, Tom Knight, has decided that now is the appropriate time to retire from the Board to concentrate on other opportunities in the private equity market. He will remain with the Company as an employee for six months concentrating on special projects.

Deputy Chief Executive Chris Ronnie is appointed as Chief Executive with immediate effect.

Non Executive Director Roger Best will also be leaving the Board today to focus on his position as Chief Executive of Radley & Co. He is replaced immediately by Alan Benzie who was formerly Senior Partner of KPMG (North) and a member of the KPMG UK Board.

It is intended that David Jones, formerly Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Next plc and currently Non Executive Chairman of Littlewoods Mail Order will be joining the Board as a Non Executive Director during September.

Roger Lane-Smith, Chairman of JJB said:

"On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank Tom Knight for his contribution as Chief Executive over the last 5 years during a difficult and turbulent period in the sports retail industry. We are pleased that he has agreed to remain with the company for a time.

"I am delighted that in Chris Ronnie we have such a capable replacement. Chris is a seasoned professional in the industry and I believe will be fully focussed

in driving the bottom line performance of the Group.

"I also thank Roger Best for his contribution and welcome Alan Benzie who brings with him a wealth of invaluable experience to the Group.

"David Jones will also be a very significant addition to the Board, bringing with him a vast experience in Retail and Mail Order."

Tom Knight said:

"After 5 years I have decided to step down as Chief Executive of JJB to pursue other opportunities. I would like to thank the Board and shareholders for their support during my time as CEO and look forward to working with the Company for the next six months."

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