## Marriott Announces Increase of Cash Dividend

WASHINGTON, May 6, 2005 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX/ -- Marriott International, Inc. (NYSE: MAR) today announced that its board of directors declared a two cent increase in the company's quarterly dividend, to ten and one half cents per share of common stock. The increase in the quarterly cash dividend is the largest in over ten years, and reflects the company's growing earnings, positive outlook and strong cash flow. The company and its predecessors (old Marriott International, Inc. and Marriott Corporation) have paid a dividend in every quarter since late 1977. The dividend is payable July 25, 2005, to shareholders of record as of June 23, 2005.

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MARRIOTT INTERNATIONAL, INC. (NYSE: MAR) is a leading lodging company with more than 2,600 lodging properties in the United States and 65 other countries and territories. The company is headquartered in Washington, D.C. It is ranked as the lodging industry's most admired company and one of the best places to work for by Fortune(R) magazine. In fiscal year 2004, Marriott International reported sales from continuing operations of \$10 billion, and the company had approximately 133,000 employees at year-end 2004. For more information or reservations, please visit our web site at http://www.marriott.com.

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