Luxottica and Prada renew eyewear license agreement

Milan, Italy – December 5, 2012- Luxottica Group (MTA: LUX; NYSE: LUX), a leader in the design, manufacture and distribution of fashion, luxury and sports eyewear and Prada S.p.A., company of the Gruppo PRADA, one of the world leaders in the luxury goods sector, announced today the renewal of an exclusive license agreement for the design, production and worldwide distribution of prescription frames and sunglasses under the Prada and Miu Miu brands, until December 31, 2018 consistent with existing commercial terms and conditions.

Andrea Guerra, Chief Executive Officer of Luxottica, commented: “We are delighted to be able to confirm the collaboration between two icons of Italian excellence, continuing along the path of success and mutual satisfaction in all the markets in which we operate”.

This license represents one of the most important and significant example of industrial collaboration between two key players in “Made in Italy” design that incorporates creativity, craftsmanship, production and distribution.

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Luxottica Group S.p.A.  
Luxottica Group is a leader in premium, luxury and sports eyewear with approximately 7,000 optical and sun retail stores in North America, Asia-Pacific, China, South Africa, Latin America and Europe, and a strong, well-balanced brand portfolio. House brands include Ray-Ban, the world’s most famous sun eyewear brand, Oakley, Vogue, Persol, Oliver Peoples, Arnette and REVO, while licensed brands include Bvlgari, Burberry, Chanel, Coach, Dolce & Gabbana, Donna Karan, Polo Ralph Lauren, Prada, Tiffany and Versace. In addition to a global wholesale network involving 130 different countries, the Group manages leading retail chains in major markets, including LensCrafters, Pearle Vision and ILORI in North America, OPSM and Laubman & Pank in Asia-Pacific, LensCrafters in China, GMO in Latin America and Sunglass Hut worldwide. The Group's products are designed and manufactured at its six manufacturing plants in Italy, two wholly owned plants in the People’s Republic of China, one plant in Brazil and one plant in the United States devoted to the production of sports eyewear. In 2011, Luxottica Group posted net sales of more than €6.2 billion. Additional information on the Group is available at www.luxottica.com

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PRADA Sa, company of the Gruppo PRADA –HKSE Code: 1913 – one of the world leaders in the luxury goods sector where it operates with the Prada, Miu Miu, Church’s and Car Shoe brands in the design, production and distribution of luxury handbags, leather goods, footwear, apparel and accessories. The Group also operates, under licensing agreements, in the eyewear, fragrances and mobile telephone sectors. Its products are sold in 70 countries worldwide through a network that included 414 directly operated stores (DOS) at July 31, 2012 and a select network of luxury department stores, independent retailers and franchise stores.
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