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## Hans Dalborg new member of Axel Johnson AB Board

At the Axel Johnson AB Annual General Meeting, Hans Dalborg will be elected to the Board of Directors. The Board will thereafter have the following composition:

Board members elected by Annual General Meeting Antonia Ax:son Johnson, Chairman Marcus Storch, Deputy Chairman Peggy Bruzelius Per Bystedt Anders G. Carlberg Hans Dalborg Nils-Erik Johansson Göran Ennerfelt, President

Board members representing the employees Ulf L. Andersson Rasmus Tallén Gunnel Tegnér

Following ten years as Chief Executive Officer, Hans Dalborg is currently Deputy Chairman of the Nordea banking group. He was formerly Deputy Chief Executive Officer of Skandia and President of Skandia International. Hans Dalborg is a member of several corporate boards and is Chairman of the Royal Opera in Stockholm. Hans Dalborg is a Doctor of Economics.

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The Axel Johnson Group consists of three legally and financially independent groups with a common owner. Antonia Ax:son Johnson and family. It is a fourth-generation family-owned company originating in the A. Johnson & Co. trading company, which was founded in 1873. **Axel Johnson AB** operates in food products and other consumer goods, through import, distribution and retail operations. The operations are conducted in the Nordic market, with a focus on Sweden. In total, subsidiaries and affiliated companies have sales of nearly SEK 40 billion excluding VAT - and some 13,000 employees.

**Axel Johnson International AB** conducts trading and distribution operations, primarily focusing on industrial products in the European market. Annual sales amount to SEK 4 billion, with 1,200

**Axel Johnson Inc.** conducts operations in North America. The Group is active in manufacturing and trading, within the business areas Energy, Tele communications and Environment. Annual sales amount to approximately SEK 23 billion, with 1,600 employees, primarily in the U.S.