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## **RCI EXPANDS ASIAN NETWORK**

*Global vacation exchange leader signs two new affiliations in Vietnam and Thailand bringing Asian portfolio to 158 properties*

**Singapore (September 14, 2011)** – [RCI](#), the global leader in vacation exchange and part of the [Wyndham Worldwide](#) family of brands (NYSE: WYN), today announced two new affiliation agreements with Hon Tam Resort & Spa in Vietnam and Patong Bay Garden Resort in Thailand. The signing of these agreements expands RCI's Asian portfolio to 158 properties.

Earlier in the year, another two new properties were welcomed into the program. Both in China, the Shining Star Vacation Club, Xing Yao Shui Xiang Resort and Huangshan Grandview Resorts Hotels offer high-quality vacation experiences to the 3.8 million members in RCI's network.

"These four new affiliation agreements not only show a growing interest for timeshare travel throughout Asia but evidence that we're offering an innovative and appealing timeshare exchange product," said Adrian Lee, managing director, RCI Asia Pacific. "Adding new resorts in China, Thailand and Vietnam reaffirms our commitment to offering great vacations in highly-desirable destinations in Asia and throughout the world. We're happy to have them on-board."

**Hon Tam Resort & Spa** is located on Hon Tam, an eco-green island in the middle of Vietnam's Nha Trang Bay surrounded by crystal blue waters and a private and pristine beach. This luxury resort features 49 cozy bungalows blending both traditional and modern Vietnamese architecture. Recreational facilities include a golf driving range, mini-golf, tennis courts, fitness center, Kids' Club, spa, and water sports including scuba diving and fishing. A good selection of restaurants and bars serve international seafood and Vietnamese cuisine.

Nha Trang is known for its endless beach and warm tropical weather, as well as several notable islands such as Hon Tre, Hon Yen, Hon Rua and the Spratly Islands. The name Nha Trang is a Vietnamese pronunciation of a Cham word "Eatran" or "Yjatan." Ea or Yja means river, and tran means reed. According to the locals, there once were a lot of reeds along Ngoc Hoi River, winding its way through town; Ngoc Hoi was later renamed Nha Trang.

**Patong Bay Garden Resort** is located on the popular Patong Bay in Phuket, Thailand offering a full range of facilities and activities, along with the classic touch of Thai charm and hospitality. The beachfront resort offers 71 charming and affordable rooms with a range of styles to meet the varied needs of the modern international traveler – for both families and couples alike – from wireless internet access and varied food and beverage options to a spa and beauty salon as well as a retail outlet.

Phuket, also known as the Jewel of the Andaman Sea, is a world-class destination offering a dynamic, vibrant and diverse holiday destination; world-class diving in the Andaman Sea; golfing at world-standard championship courses; eco-adventures in tropical forests; exhilarating speedboat trips to the surrounding islands; and serene cruises around mystical Phang Nga Bay.

**Shining Star Vacation Club, Xing Yao Shui Xiang Resort** is located in the Jia Lize wetland in Kunming, China. This mega upscale integrated tourism development consists of more than 10,000 diverse vacation accommodations spread across themed resorts, hotels, holiday villas and town houses; equestrian club with a landscaped 20-kilometer riding boulevard; ecological wetland park; country-style fishing club; golf academy and driving range exclusively designed by Phil Mickelson; extensive lavender and sunflower fields; organic fruit and vegetable garden; meeting and conference facilities; and a myriad of retail and dining facilities.

Kunming, the capital of Yunnan Province, is known as 'the City of Eternal Spring' for its pleasant climate and flowers all year long. With a history of more than 2,400 years, Kunming was the gateway to the celebrated Silk Road that facilitated trade with Tibet, Sichuan, Myanmar and India. It offers alluring highland scenery, bewitching landform, exotic habitats, varied customs and historical interest.

**Huangshan Grandview Resorts Hotels**, part of the Yuan Yi Group, is a global lifestyle and mixed-used development strategically located in the south of Xin An River and flanked by Pei Lang River to its east. It is surrounded by renowned tourism sites such as the charming Old Antique Street, the awe-inspiring Huangshan, China (also known as Yellow Mountain), diversified cultural wetlands and historical Anhui villages.

This 320,000 square meters community is comprised of: Grand Villa, Grand Mansion, Parrion Huashan Hotel, Hilton Hotel, an Opera and Concert House, multiplex Cinemas, theme hotels (under development), local Anhui restaurants and museum, and Spa Club.

### **About RCI**

RCI is the worldwide leader in vacation exchange with over 4,000 affiliated resorts in approximately 100 countries. RCI pioneered the concept of vacation exchange in 1974, offering members increased flexibility and versatility with their vacation ownership experience. Today, through RCI® Weeks, the traditional week-for-week exchange system, and RCI Points®, the industry's first global points-based exchange system, RCI provides flexible vacation options to its 3.8 million RCI subscribing members each year. RCI is part of Wyndham Exchange & Rentals and the Wyndham Worldwide family of brands (NYSE: WYN). For additional information visit our [media center](#), [rciaffiliates.com](http://rciaffiliates.com) or [The RCI Blog](#). RCI also can be found on [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#) and [Twitter](#).

### **About Khai Vy Company**

Founded in 1995 at Quy Nhon, the former Duyen Hai Wood Processing Factory has grown to become Khai Vy Group Joint Stock Company after 16 years of operation with four major factories. It is well-known for marketing fine furniture and accessories from a variety of materials ranging from solid wood, MDF, particleboard, aluminium, steel, textile and wicker. For the last five years, Khai Vy's turnover has been approximately 30 to 35 million USD. In 2007, Khai Vy became the legal owner of Hon Tam Island in Nha Trang Bay, and started a massive

program to make this island a paradise for tourists all over the world. Khai Vy also started the new project of a 9-storey Wedding and Convention Center in District 7, Ho Chi Minh city, which is slated for operations in October 2012, with a total land area of 2,900 square meters.

### **About Pisona Company**

Pisona Company was established in 1985 as a limousine service and tour operator. At present, the Pisona Group of companies owns and operates hotels, restaurants, bars, spas, transportation, tours, internet, radio stations, shopping plazas, insurance, and property development. The group maintains its integrity as a Phuket-based family-owned business. Mr. Pian Keesin, the founder and chairman of Pisona Group, is presently the mayor of Patong city.

### **About Shining Star Group**

Since its establishment more than 18 years ago, the Shining Star Group has developed more than 10 different businesses such as real estate, commercial and hotel developments, schools and education, hospitals, sports, tourism, property management and mega township development with assets close to RMB150 billion, employing 4,000 staff. Through the consistent effort of the group, it has been given more than 300 awards and accolades, and recognition by the local governments and organizations.

### **About Yuan Yi Group**

Yuan Yi Group began its investment portfolio in real estate in mainland China more than 10 years ago. Its investments have expanded over a region covering Shanghai, Zhejiang, Jiangsu and Anhui provinces. Its achievements include real estate apartment developments of over 3,300,000 square meters, hotel developments of over 380,000 square meters; its projects include hotels, golf course, business and commercial buildings, residential areas and tourism sites. Currently, under the flagship of the Yuan Yi Group, there are four Hilton Hotels, two resort hotels, two tourism and resort complexes, one China national 4A tourist resort and an international golf club. [www.yuanyigroup.com](http://www.yuanyigroup.com)

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