

RESIDENTS OF TULA REGION DONATE OVER 24 TONNES OF FOOD AS PART OF THE BASKET OF KINDNESS INITIATIVE

Tula, 3 March 2020 – X5 Retail Group ("X5" or the "Company"), a leading Russian food retailer (LSE and MOEX ticker: "FIVE"), and Foodbank Rus announce the results of the first regionwide Basket of Kindness food marathon held to collect food donations for senior citizens and distressed families with children. Over 240 Pyaterochka and Perekrestok stores across the Tula region took part in the marathon on 29 February collecting some 24.6 tonnes of donations to prepare 4,100 parcels of food and home care products. The result was more than three times better than expected and made it possible to increase the number of recipients accordingly.

More than 700 volunteers from Foodbank Rus lent a hand in collecting and packaging the donations. They have already started to distribute food packages to 240 senior citizens and over 1,900 low-income families with children in the Tula region. The list of aid recipients was compiled by the SOVA Social Support Centre in cooperation with the children's ombudsman for the region.

X5 Retail Group undertook to pay all organisational costs, including infrastructure, logistics and other expenses associated with the food drive. On top of that, the Company added some missing items to the parcels to provide each food basket with a full range of essential basic products.

The Tula region initiative was the first in a series of 2020 food marathons due to take place in Nizhny Novgorod, Krasnodar, Voronezh and Moscow. In addition, the third online marathon will be held via the basketofkindness.rf (корзинадоброты.рф) website to help those in need in the Omsk region.

X5 Retail Group and Foodbank Rus launched the Basket of Kindness programme in 2015. X5 pioneered food drives in Russia, creating and promoting local food aid infrastructure that allows customers to donate food in-store to support people in need. In 2018, X5 and Foodbank Rus decided to run the Basket of Kindness project in the form of citywide food marathons. In 2019, four such marathons were held across all X5 stores in Rostov-on-Don, Novosibirsk and Moscow (twice), in addition to a two-month online marathon held for the second time at basketofkindness.rf to collect food donations for senior citizens living alone in rural areas of the Samara region. The five marathons helped collect approximately 80 tonnes of donations. All in all, the 2019 charitable campaigns yielded 173 tonnes of food products, which is nearly double the 2018 result.

Note to Editors:

X5 Retail Group N.V. (LSE and MOEX: FIVE, Fitch – ‘BB+’, Moody's – ‘Ba1’, S&P – ‘BB’, RAEX – ‘ruAA+’) is a leading Russian food retailer. The Company operates several retail formats: the chain of proximity stores under the Pyaterochka brand, the supermarket chain under the Perekrestok brand and the hypermarket chain under the Karusel brand.

As of 31 December 2019, X5 had 16,297 Company-operated stores. It has the leading market position in both Moscow and St Petersburg and a significant presence in the European part of Russia. Its store base includes 15,354 Pyaterochka proximity stores, 852 Perekrestok supermarkets and 91 Karusel hypermarkets. The Company operates 42 DCs and 4,124 Company-owned trucks across the Russian Federation.

For the full year 2018, revenue totalled RUB 1,532,537 mln (USD 24,439 mln), Adjusted EBITDA reached RUB 109,871 mln (USD 1,752 mln), and net profit for the period amounted to RUB 28,642 mln (USD 457 mln). In 9M 2019, revenue totalled RUB 1,265,130 mln (USD 19,440 mln), adjusted EBITDA reached RUB 95,975 mln (USD 1,475 mln), and net profit amounted to RUB 25,043 mln (USD 385 mln).

X5's Shareholder structure is as follows: CTF Holdings S.A. – 47.86%, Intertrust Trustees Ltd (Axon Trust) – 11.43%, X5 Directors – 0.08%, treasury shares – 0.01%, Shareholders with less than 3% – 40.62%.

Forward looking statements:

This announcement includes statements that are, or may be deemed to be, "forward-looking statements". These forward-looking statements can be identified by the fact that they do not only relate to historical or current events. Forward-looking statements often use words such as "anticipate", "target", "expect", "estimate", "intend", "expected", "plan", "goal", "believe", or other words of similar meaning.

By their nature, forward-looking statements involve risk and uncertainty because they relate to future events and circumstances, a number of which are beyond X5 Retail Group N.V.'s control. As a result, actual future results may differ materially from the plans, goals and expectations set out in these forward-looking statements.

Any forward-looking statements made by or on behalf of X5 Retail Group N.V. speak only as of the date of this announcement. Save as required by any applicable laws or regulations, X5 Retail Group N.V. undertakes no obligation publicly to release the results of any revisions to any forward-looking statements in this document that may occur due to any change in its expectations or to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this document.

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