

BASKET OF KINDNESS COLLECTS OVER 518 TONNES OF FOOD FOR PEOPLE IN NEED IN 2022

Moscow, 20 January 2023 – X5 Group and Foodbank Rus, a food bank charity, have announced the 2022 results of their Basket of Kindness food donation project: more than 518 tonnes of food (nearly 1.5 times the amount collected in 2021) were collected and distributed to people in need through food donation drives at X5 stores, cash donations via the Basket of Kindness website ([корзинадоброты.ру](https://korzina-dobrotы.ru)) and in-kind product donations by X5 and its Pyaterochka and Perekrestok retail chains.

During 2022, Pyaterochka and Perekrestok collected 295 tonnes of food through a total of 17 food drives held at their stores. An additional 13 tonnes of food were purchased using funds collected via the Basket of Kindness website, with X5 donating another 210 tonnes of food from its own stocks.

Last year, “baskets of kindness” containing donated food were distributed to 199,156 people in 40 regions of Russia, including large families, pensioners, people in need, doctors and refugees. More than 145,000 customers made in-kind donations at 6,093 Pyaterochka and Perekrestok stores. This project would not have been possible without the dedicated efforts of volunteers and the generous support of X5 store employees: the charity campaigns and drives involved more than 13,000 Foodbank Rus volunteers and 1,439 store employees.

For the last several years, the project has expanded to also support animals, with about 21 tonnes of pet food donated to more than 6,000 dogs and cats across 17 animal shelters in Moscow and the Moscow Region, Saint Petersburg, Rostov-on-Don, Chelyabinsk, Yekaterinburg, Perm, Izhevsk, Kazan, Volgograd, Saratov, Krasnoyarsk, Novosibirsk, Tomsk and other regions.

The Basket of Kindness social project was launched by X5 Group and Foodbank Rus in 2015. X5 was the first Russian retailer to build and continuously develop the infrastructure that supports food drives, in which volunteers collect food items dropped off by customers at in-store food donation points to help people in need. A total of more than 1,500 tonnes of food have been donated through this project since 2015.

Since November 2017, donations are also accepted through the Basket of Kindness website, with a total of 5,722 people making donations last year.



Note to Editors:

X5 Retail Group N.V. (LSE and MOEX: FIVE; Expert RA – ruAAA; ACRA – AAA(RU)) is a leading Russian food retailer. The Company operates proximity stores under the Pyaterochka brand, Perekrestok supermarkets and Chizhik hard discounters. X5 provides an omnichannel experience to its customers, integrating retail stores and e-commerce through its businesses Vprok.ru, 5Post and Mnogo Lososya.

As of 30 September 2022, X5 had 20,227 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 18,865 Pyaterochka proximity stores, 972 Perekrestok supermarkets and 316 Chizhik hard discounters. The Company operates 52 DCs and 4,247 Company-owned trucks across the Russian Federation.

X5 is one of the largest employers in Russia. The Company employs over 325 thousand people.

For the full year 2021, revenue totalled RUB 2,204,819 million (USD 29,935 million*), EBITDA pre-IFRS 16 reached RUB 161,024 million (USD 2,186 million*), and net profit pre-IFRS 16 for the period amounted to RUB 48,513 million (USD 659 million*). In 9M 2022, revenue totalled RUB 1,900,049 million (USD 26,908 million**), adjusted EBITDA pre-IFRS 16 reached RUB 152,894 million (USD 2,165 million**), and net profit pre-IFRS 16 amounted to RUB 46,395 million (USD 657 million**).

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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 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 Group N.V. speak only as of the date of this announcement. Save as required by any applicable laws or regulations, X5 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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** FX rate: 70.6135 USD/RUB

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