



Samsonite International S.A. Appoints Reza Taleghani as Chief Financial Officer

HONG KONG, November 26, 2018 – Samsonite International S.A. (“Samsonite” or “the Company”, together with its consolidated subsidiaries, “the Group”; SEHK stock code: 1910), the world’s largest travel luggage company, today announced the appointment of Mr. Reza Taleghani as Chief Financial Officer (“CFO”) effective immediately. In this role, Mr. Taleghani will be responsible for the Group’s corporate finance, accounting, global investor relations, external reporting, financial planning and analysis, treasury functions, tax, and M&A. He reports to Mr. Kyle Gendreau, the Group’s Chief Executive Officer (“CEO”), who had previously acted as CFO prior to his appointment to CEO in May 2018.

With over 20 years of banking and finance experience, Mr. Taleghani joins the Group from Brightstar Corp., a leading global telecommunications services business, where he was President and CFO. In that role, Mr. Taleghani led Brightstar’s global financial operations, as well as managing their financial services and device protection lines of business. Prior to joining Brightstar, Mr. Taleghani built a 17-year career at J.P. Morgan, where he held various leadership roles in investment banking, commercial banking and asset management. Beyond his banking experience, Mr. Taleghani also served as the President and CEO of Sterling Airlines A/S, a leading low-cost Scandinavian airline based in Copenhagen, Denmark.

Mr. Taleghani has a bachelor's degree from Brown University and a J.D./M.B.A. from Villanova University.

Commenting on Mr. Taleghani’s appointment, Mr. Kyle Gendreau, CEO, said, “I am delighted to welcome Reza to Samsonite. His impressive strategic financial management and leadership experience, developed over the course of his career at various international institutions, is a wonderful complement to the Group’s operations, and positions him well to work closely with me and our team, to build on the strong business results we have delivered over the last several years. Likewise, Reza’s familiarity with decentralized management structures is a significant advantage when it comes to understanding the essence of what allows our business to be so successful. I believe that this makes him a terrific fit for our culture and management style. Reza will be a great addition to our senior management team, and will further strengthen our capabilities in continuing to deliver on our strategy and commitment to all of our stakeholders.”

Mr. Taleghani, CFO, said, “Samsonite and its management have a stellar reputation, both in the business community as well as the travel retail industry. I am thrilled to be joining the team. As the leading player in the travel luggage sector, I look forward to building on the Company’s well-established success and driving further improvement in its results and financial position.”

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About Samsonite

Samsonite International S.A. (“Samsonite” or the “Company”, together with its consolidated subsidiaries, “the Group”), is the world’s largest travel luggage company, with a heritage dating back over 100 years. The Group is principally engaged in the design, manufacture, sourcing and distribution of luggage, business and computer bags, women's bags, outdoor and casual bags, travel accessories and slim protective cases for personal electronic devices throughout the world, primarily under the *Samsonite*®, *Tumi*®, *American Tourister*®, *Speck*®, *High Sierra*®, *Gregory*®, *Lipault*®, *Kamiliant*®, *Hartmann*® and *eBags*® brand names as well as other owned and licensed brand names. The Company’s ordinary shares are listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“SEHK”).

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