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March 30, 2010

KIMBERLEY G BOWERS
STARWOOD HOTELS AND RESORTS WORLDWIDE INC
600 GALLERIA PARKWAY SUITE 1700
ATLANTA, GA 30339

Re: F-5821
STARWOOD (M) INTERNATIONAL INC
LE MERIDIEN LICENSE AND OPERATING AGREEMENT F/A

Dear Ms. Bowers:

The Annual Report has been reviewed and is in compliance with Minnesota Statute Chapter 80C and Minnesota Rules Chapter 2860.

This means that there continues to be an effective registration statement on file and that the franchisor may offer and sell the above-referenced franchise in Minnesota.

The franchisor is not required to escrow franchise fees, post a Franchise Surety Bond or defer receipt of franchise fees during this registration period.

As a reminder, the next annual report is due within 120 days after the franchisor's fiscal year end, which is December 31, 2010.

Sincerely,

GLENN WILSON
Commissioner

By:

Daniel Sexton
Commerce Analyst Supervisor
Registration Division
(651) 296-4520

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UNIFORM FRANCHISE REGISTRATION APPLICATION

FOR:

Le Meridien (License & Operating Agreement)
Franchise Disclosure Document

File No. F-5821
(Insert prior file number, if any)

Fee: \$200
(Enclosed when application is initially filed)

State of Minnesota
Department of Commerce
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\$ 200

Application for (Check only one):

- Registration of an offer or sale of franchises
- Registration Renewal Statement or Annual Report
- Amendment number ___ to application
 - Post-effective Filed under Section _____
 - Pre-effective Dated _____

1. Name of Franchisor. (If applicant is a subfranchisor, the name of the subfranchisor.)

Starwood (M) International, Inc.

Name under which the Franchisor is doing or intends to do business.

Le Meridien Hotels (License & Operating Agreement), Le Meridien, Le Meridien Hotels, Le Meridien Hotels & Resorts, Starwood (M) International, Inc.

2 Franchisor's principal business address.

Corporate Office: 1111 Westchester Avenue, White Plains, NY 10604
Franchise Division: 600 Galleria Parkway, Suite 1700, Atlanta, GA 30339

Name and address of Franchisor's agent in the State of Minnesota authorized to receive process:

Minnesota Department of Commerce
85 7th Place East, Suite 500
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-2198

3. Name, address and telephone number of subfranchisors, if any, for this state.

None.

4. Name, address and telephone number of person to whom communications regarding this application should be directed.

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STARWOOD
HOTELS & RESORTS WORLDWIDE, INC.

March 24, 2010

Ms. Ann Hagestad
Franchise Examiner
Minnesota Department of Commerce
Registration Division
85 7th Place East, Suite 500
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-2198

**Re: Franchise Registration Annual Report
Starwood (M) International, Inc., d/b/a Le Meridien (License & Operating Agreement)
File No. F-5821**

Dear Ms. Hagestad,

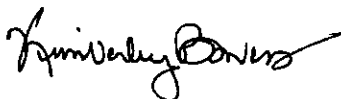
Enclosed please find an application for renewal of Starwood (M) International, Inc.'s franchise registration for Le Meridien (License & Operating Agreement) pursuant to Minn. Stat. Ann. §§ 80C.01 – 80C.22. The following materials are enclosed for your review:

1. Uniform Franchise Registration Application;
2. Filing Fee of \$200;
3. Consent of Accountant;
4. Certification;
5. Consent to Service of Process;
6. Corporate Acknowledgement;
7. Salesmen Disclosure Form;
8. Supplemental Information Page;
9. One (1) clean and one (1) redlined copy of the proposed Franchise Disclosure Document; and
10. See Financial Statements as part of FDD.

I have also enclosed one (1) copy of this cover letter for stamping with the date of receipt and returning to me in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope.

If you have any questions with respect to the enclosed materials or if any additional information is required, please do not hesitate to contact me at 770-857-2022. Your assistance in this regard is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



Kimberley G. Bowers
Regulatory Specialist

Enclosures



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