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#### **TESCO PLC**

#### TESCO APPOINTS CHARLES WILSON AS CEO OF UK & REPUBLIC OF IRELAND

Tesco PLC announces that upon completion of the merger with Booker Group plc (expected to be 5 March 2018), Charles Wilson will be appointed as CEO of Tesco's retail and wholesale operations in the UK & ROI. Matt Davies will continue as CEO of UK & ROI until completion, when he will step down and after supporting a handover, will leave the Group at the end of April 2018.

Dave Lewis said:

"I am delighted Charles will be joining the Tesco Board and Executive Committee. He brings substantial commercial and retail experience and has an exceptional track record of increasing performance and driving growth in customer-focused businesses. Charles is ideally suited to lead the UK & ROI business for the combined group in the next phase of our turnaround.

I would also like to thank Matt for his outstanding contribution to Tesco over the last three years. His values based leadership and invaluable support have been instrumental to the significant progress we have made in the transformation of the UK & ROI business. I wish him well for the future."

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Biography:

Charles Wilson was first appointed to the board of Booker Group plc in June 2007.

Charles started his career in 1986 with Procter & Gamble, following which he was a consultant with OC&C Strategy Consultants and a Director of Abberton Associates. In 1998 he became an Executive Director of Booker Group plc which merged with Iceland plc in 2000. In 2001 he became an Executive Director of Arcadia Group plc and in 2004 he became an Executive Director of Marks and Spencer Plc. In 2005 he was appointed as Chief Executive of Booker.

#### Remuneration:

The key elements of Charles' remuneration package, which is consistent with the Directors' Remuneration Policy approved by Tesco shareholders in June 2015, are as follows:

- Base salary of £575,000 per annum.
- Annual bonus opportunity of up 200% of base salary, with a target level of outcome of 100% of base salary. 50% of any annual bonus award will be deferred into shares in Tesco for 3 years.
- Annual Performance Share Plan opportunity of up to 225% of base salary, with a target level of outcome of 112.5% based on performance measures over 3 years.
- Pension contributions or cash in lieu of pension contributions of 20% of base salary.
- Shareholding requirement of 200% of base salary, which will be achieved at date of appointment.

Charles Wilson holds 24,533 shares in Tesco PLC.

Further details on Charles Wilson and his remuneration package are set out in the Prospectus, which will be made available to shareholders later today.

There are no additional matters that would require disclosure pursuant to Listing Rule 9.6.13R.

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