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Insolvent hospital changes hands

Hanover, 26 May 2009 – Residenz-Gruppe Bremen has won the bidding process regarding the acquisition of the Martins Hospital in Lilienthal. The group was advised by Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft mbH.

The purchaser, Residenz Kliniken GmbH, is a subsidiary of Residenz-Gruppe Bremen. As one of the 20 largest private nursing care providers in Germany, Residenz-Gruppe Bremen specialises in the planning, construction and operation of residential parks for senior citizens and presently operates 17 nursing care homes with approx. 1,350 beds. By taking over the Lilienthal Martins Hospital, which filed for insolvency in 2008, Residenz-Gruppe Bremen has been able to strategically expand its area of business, supplementing it with the operation of acute care hospitals.

On behalf of Residenz-Gruppe Bremen:

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