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### Small luxury hotel invitation extended to **Doonbeg Golf Club**

**DOONBEG Golf Club**, the five-star resort in West Clare, has accepted an invitation to become a member of the Small Luxury Hotels of the World Group. This exclusive group of hotels is located in 70 countries worldwide.

In Ireland, there are 10 members of the group. **Doonbeg** joins other exclusive luxury destinations including Hayfield Manor in Cork, Mount Juliet in Kilkenny, the Park Hotel in Kenmare and Dunbrody Country House in Wexford.

Speaking of the decision to become a Small Luxury Hotels of the World member, Joe Russell, general manager of **Doonbeg**, said that the invitation to join was a further endorsement of the way in which **Doonbeg** has established itself as a five-star luxury resort in a relatively short time.

"While our Greg Norman Championship **Golf Course** opened in 2002, the reality is that all of the other key facilities were only completed in 2006. This really is only our third season in operation for our accommodation, food, beverage and spa offerings," he explained.

**Doonbeg** is a €150 million luxury resort which is being developed by the US-based Kiawah Development Partners. Located on the crescent-shaped Doughmore Bay, **Doonbeg** features a championship **golf course**, five-star accommodation, a restaurant, pubs and a state-of-the-art spa. It also features a residents' club managed by **Timbers Resorts**, the world's leading creator of deeded property interests.