

STATEMENT

Lisbon, July 3rd 2009

On July 2nd, Jerónimo Martins Group was victim of a totally ridiculous, defamatory and criminal protest conducted by a group of people, who claim to belong to the Non-Governmental Organisation Greenpeace, regarding fish purchasing and merchandising techniques within its Banners. In order to gain visibility and call the attention of the Media, those people tried to block the entrance of the main offices in Lisbon, accusing Jerónimo Martins of playing a significant role in the destruction of the Oceans.

Jerónimo Martins Group would like to inform that the arguments presented by those people are totally untrue and calumnious and offer no credibility. Besides, Greenpeace organisation, to which they claim to belong, has been refusing invitations to become a member of any World Entity for controlling fishing, since this would prevent Greenpeace from having the type of visibility it aims for and would force it to play a responsible and serious role in Environmental Policies.

Unlike the information made public, Jerónimo Martins and its Banners are proud to act according to the highest ethical principles and fully comply with the Fisheries Policy in effect set by Portugal and the European Union.

Considering the environmental protection values as unquestionable, Jerónimo Martins has adopted, for several years, proactive behaviours in adopting and implementing policies aiming the environmental preservation. The promotion of supply chains that aim to guarantee sustainable production and consumption practices are a continuous concern of the Group, namely in what refers to the careful choice of its suppliers, fulfilling the consumer expectations and contributing to a sustainable future.