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China Lodging Group, Limited Appoints Executive Vice President of Finance

SHANGHAI, China, April 10, 2015 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- China Lodging Group, Limited (Nasdaq:HTHT) ("China Lodging Group" or the "Company"), a leading and fast-growing multi-brand hotel group in China, today announced that it has appointed Sophia Wu as Executive Vice President of Finance, effective April 8, 2015. In this role, Ms. Wu is responsible for external reporting, investor relations, merger and acquisitions, investment and financing. She reports to Ms. Jenny Zhang, President and CFO of the Company.

"We are excited to have Sophia join China Lodging Group's team as we continue to execute our growth strategy and position our company to be the leader in the China hotel industry," said Mr. Qi Ji, founder, executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "Sophia's strong leadership and broad financial experience will be invaluable assets that will benefit our company and our shareholders."

Ms. Wu has more than 14 years experience in corporate finance, SEC reporting, audit and M&A with multinational companies. Her prior experience included M&A transaction service and audit at Deloitte & Touche, LLP New York Office, as well as Reporting and Analysis team at Goldman Sachs global headquarter in New York.

Ms. Wu held a Master degree in accounting from State University of New York at Albany, and received her Bachelor degree in International Business Administration from Shanghai University of Finance and Economics. Ms. Wu is a Certified Public Accountant in the United States.

About China Lodging Group, Limited

China Lodging Group, Limited is a leading and fast-growing multi-brand hotel group in China. The Company provides business and leisure travelers with high-quality, and conveniently-located hotel products under seven brands, namely, Joya Hotel, Manxin Hotels & Resorts, JI Hotel, Starway Hotel, HanTing Hotel, Elan Hotel and Hi Inn. For more information, please visit the Company's website: <http://ir.huazhu.com>.

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