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100 F Street, NE
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Attention: Rule 12g3-2(b) Exemptions

By Courier

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Dear Sirs

Application for Amendment to Rule 12g3-2(b) Exemption for purposes of future electronic publication (File Number 82-5161)

We, Compass Group PLC, **File Number 82-5161**, hereby apply for exemption from filing paper documents and submit this letter to notify your office of our intention to electronically publish our documents for the purpose of complying with Rule 12g3-2(b).

Announcements made on the London Stock Exchange's RNS, previously sent to you in paper form, are published on the Company's website, URL address:

www.compass-group.com

Statutory documentation filed in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 at the UK Registrar of Companies, previously sent to you in paper form, is published on the publicly available website of the UK Companies Registrar, URL address:

www.companieshouse.gov.uk

If you have any queries regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

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