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CHRISTIE'S TO OFFER A COLLECTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY FROM THE ESTATE OF LEONA M. HELMSLEY

**Collection to be offered in numerous sales throughout 2008 at
Christie's Rockefeller Plaza**

Categories include:

***Impressionist and Modern Art, Old Master Pictures, American
Paintings, 19th Century Furniture, Russian Works of Art, Silver, 20th
Century Chinese Art, Sporting Art, European and English
Furniture, Chinese Ceramics & Works of Art, Interiors and others***

New York – Christie's announces that it has been selected to offer a collection of personal property from the Estate of Leona M. Helmsley in a series of sales throughout 2008 at Rockefeller Center. The sales will feature property from Mrs. Helmsley's New York, Greenwich, CT and Sarasota, FL homes, and will be offered in 15 sales covering numerous collecting categories including 19th Century Furniture, American Paintings, Impressionist and Modern Art, Old Master Paintings, Important European Furniture, Russian Works, Silver and others. All of the net proceeds will benefit the Leona M. and Harry B. Helmsley Charitable Trust.

Leona M. and Harry B. Helmsley were titans of the real estate industry. Together they created an unrivaled real estate empire, including such spectacular trophy properties as the Empire State Building, The Park Lane Hotel, The New York Helmsley Hotel, The Helmsley Palace Hotel, 140 Broadway, 230 Park Avenue (The Helmsley Building,) 140 Broadway, One Penn Plaza, and their former management and leasing company known as Helmsley-Spear, Inc. Overseeing day-to-day operations as well as the big picture vision for one of the city's

preeminent real estate portfolios, the Helmsleys' impact on New York was extraordinarily broad, deep and indelible.

Sale Schedule - *All sales to take place at Christie's New York in Rockefeller Center unless otherwise noted. * Denotes catalogs that will include single-owner sections.*

Sale Title	Sale Date
<i>Important American Silver</i>	17 January 2008
<i>Fine American Paintings, Drawings and Sculpture</i>	7 March 2008
<i>Chinese Ceramics and Works of Art</i>	19 March 2008
<i>19th Century European Art and Orientalist Art</i>	8 April 2008
<i>*19th Century Furniture, Sculpture Works of Art and Ceramics</i>	9 April 2008
<i>Important Old Master Paintings</i>	15 April 2008
<i>Important European Furniture, Works of Art Ceramics & Carpets</i>	16 April 2008
<i>Important Silver and Objects of Vertu</i>	17 April 2008
<i>Russian Works of Art</i>	18 April 2008
<i>Important English Furniture and Ceramics</i>	25 April 2008
<i>*Impressionist and Modern Art Day Sale</i>	7 May 2008
<i>Important American Paintings, Drawings and Sculpture</i>	21 May 2008
<i>20th Century Chinese Art</i>	25 May 2008 – <i>Christie's Hong Kong</i>
<i>*Sporting Art</i>	25 November 2008
<i>*Interiors</i>	Throughout Spring 2008

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