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LUKOIL HANDS OVER CANVAS BY FAMOUS SPANISH IMPRESSIONIST TO PUSHKIN MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

Alexander Vasilenko, Head of LUKOIL PR Department, on behalf of the Company handed over the canvas The Evening Café by a famous Spanish impressionist Hermenegildo Anglada Camarasa to the Pushkin State Museum of Fine Arts in Moscow today.

The works of this painter are exhibited in the world's largest museums, kept in private collections of European and American connoisseurs and are a ever-compelling attraction at Christie's and Sotheby's. Until now Russia had only one of his canvases exhibited in the Hermitage.

"Acquisition of this canvas by LUKOIL and its donation to the Pushkin State Museum of Fine Arts bridged a considerable gap in the exhibition of the European and American art of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries", Irina Antonova, General Director of the Museum, said.

Cooperation between LUKOIL and the Pushkin State Museum of Fine Arts began in 1999 in the course of preparation for the 19th musical festival December Evenings dedicated to the 2000th anniversary of Christianity. "We are delighted that our Company's support helps the Museum implement its major publishing, exhibitional and educational projects, in particular, to furnish the Gallery dedicated to the European and American Art of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries," Alexander Vasilenko said.

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