

## **Trading update**

Imperial Tobacco Group PLC (Imperial Tobacco) confirms that the anticipated overall performance and financial position of the Group for the financial year to 30 September 2009 remains in line with management's expectations. The trading trends outlined in the Interim Management Statement on 23 July 2009 have continued. The Altadis integration is progressing well and is on track to deliver the expected synergies. The first half working capital outflow continues to unwind such that we expect a full year working capital inflow with cash conversion\* expected to be over 100%.

Imperial Tobacco expects to release its preliminary results for the financial year ending 30 September 2009 on Tuesday 10 November 2009.

\*Cash conversion is defined as cash flow post capex pre interest and tax measured as a percentage of adjusted profit from operations.

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