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**MARRIOTT'S ST. KITTS BEACH CLUB ANNOUNCES THIRD PHASE OPENING
Vacation Ownership Resort Nears Completion with 22 Additional Villas**

ORLANDO, Fla. – December 19, 2008 – Marriott Vacation Club International (MVCI), the vacation ownership division of Marriott International, Inc. (NYSE:MAR), announced today the third phase opening of *Marriott's St. Kitts Beach Club* in the West Indies on the island of St. Kitts. Located on-property with the St. Kitts Marriott Resort & The Royal Beach Casino, the new phase reveals 22 additional two- and three-bedroom villas to the vacation property expansion.

Adding onto the resort's 44 existing two- and three-bedroom villas, the new villas bring the total resort count to 66 out of a proposed 88 villas upon completion, and range from 1,400 to 2,089 square feet. Owners and guests can take in the stunning views from balconies off each villa, as well as enjoy other villa features including a fully-equipped kitchen with GE stainless steel appliances, walnut finished cabinetry, tile floors and granite counters; generous living and dining areas; washer/dryer; oversized shower in master suite; multiple Sony flat-panel televisions; Sony DVD players in living room and bedrooms; and internet accessibility. Three-bedroom villas can accommodate up to 10 guests.

"As St. Kitts continues to assert itself as an increasingly popular destination, we are pleased to offer more opportunities for our Owners and guests to experience the beauty of St. Kitts from the prime location of Marriott's St. Kitts Beach Club," said Stephen P. Weisz, president of Marriott Vacation Club International.

Visitors to St. Kitts enjoy balmy year-round temperatures, tranquil beaches, mountainous terrain and breezy tropical winds. St. Kitts is known for being un-spoiled and un-crowded, allowing outdoor enthusiasts to take advantage of the various tropical forests, seaside lagoons and boating tours. Scuba diving and horseback riding expeditions are also favorite activities, and quaint shopping areas, beautiful Colonial architecture and historic sites can be found throughout the capital, Basseterre and in the small parishes on the island. The resort is a 10-minute drive from Basseterre and the St. Kitts - Robert Bradshaw International Airport.

Numerous amenities and concierge services are offered through the St. Kitts Marriott Resort & The Royal Beach Casino. Shared resort features and amenities include:

- Three pools including the main oceanfront pool and access to the on-site Frigate Bay Beach
- Whirlpool spas
- Emerald Mist Spa
- Kid's Club and Teen's Game Room
- Fitness center and four tennis courts
- A variety of casual and upscale restaurants and retail shops
- Concierge services, room service and sundries store
- Royal St. Kitts Golf Club (preferred tee times and discounted greens fees for owners)

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