

# SSP inks six-year F&B deal at Bangkok Suvarnabhumi Airport

SSP Group has secured a six-year contract worth around £200 million (\$270 million) to open 34 food & beverage locations across the domestic and international terminals at Bangkok Suvarnabhumi Airport.

The new contract expands on SSP's 25-year joint venture partnership with Minor Foods and extends the 15-year partnership with King Power for an additional six years.

SSP plans to increase the footprint of the F&B offer with the addition of big brands such as Burger King, Bon Chon Chicken and The Coffee Club, in addition to introducing a range of new brands into Thailand's food scene, such as Koh Hop Bar.

The first units are expected to begin trading in the domestic terminal in early November 2021, with more openings to follow in the new year in the international terminal.

Mark Angela, CEO of SSP Asia Pacific, said: "We're very pleased to be extending our partnership with Minor Foods and King Power well into the future. The decision to extend our investment with this new venture at Suvarnabhumi Airport demonstrates our commitment to the Thailand SSP business and to continuing our extensive partnership with both Minor and King Power. It is also testament to our confidence in the robustness of Thailand's economy coming out of Covid."

William E Heinecke, chairman of Minor International, added: "We greatly value our long-standing partnership with SSP Asia Pacific and we have absolute confidence in the Thai economy and most especially the hospitality sector, which is poised for an incredible relaunch. The extension and expansion of our cooperation offers Minor Foods the opportunity to strengthen our portfolio of brands at the domestic and international airports, in line with our ongoing expansion plans for Thailand. We look forward to a mutually beneficial partnership for the years ahead."