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# Patron-sponsored Royal Marines Charity London Dinner aims to raise £1m to help former servicemen and women

Patron Capital, the pan-European investor focused on property-backed investments, has sponsored The Royal Marines Charity's annual London Dinner, raising approximately £800,000 so far, and is aiming to reach £1m as further pledges come in and fundraising activities continue over the next few days.

Now in its fourth year, the dinner, held at London's Guildhall, featured music from The Bands of HM Royal Marines, along with videos and speeches explaining some of the charity's recent work.

One of the highlights of the evening was the live auction, conducted by Lord Jeffrey Archer, which saw former Royal Marine, triple amputee and 11-times Invictus Games medallist Mark Ormrod donate his limited edition, engraved Bremont watch as a lot. The watch, which was sold and returned to its owner at the dinners in both 2017 and 2018, this year raised a record £43,000, and was once again immediately returned to Mark's wrist.

Patron's sponsorship of The Royal Marines Charity's London Dinner forms part of an ongoing partnership. Since 2010, Patron has raised over £2.5 million in funds for the charity, as well as providing mentoring, work experience and business introductions to veterans trying to rebuild their lives following active service.

#### Keith Breslauer, Managing Director of Patron Capital, said:

"It is an honour to help the Royal Marines Charity continue its exceptional work supporting individuals who have suffered mental or physical distress to preserve our way of life. We are grateful to all those who came along, participated in the auction, and gave generously to support a section of the military that is disproportionately affected by illness and injury caused by active combat. With 94 pence of every pound going directly to helping those in need, it's a great feeling to know that the funds we've helped raise will have such an impact on improving the lives of people who really deserve our respect and support."

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#### **Notes to Editors**

#### About the Royal Marines Charity

For more information about the Royal Marines Charity, visit www.theroyalmarinescharity.org

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