Where to from here

To find out how much SmartBar can turn around YOUR minibar profitability, **call or email us today:**

- Contact the Certified SmartBar Owner/Operator in your area (if a name card is attached to this brochure)
- If there is no name card attached to this brochure, contact SmartBar Systems
 Ltd using the contact details set out on the front of this brochure

We will then arrange a performance audit. This confidential review will indicate the profit improvements YOU can expect, based on your current performance







SmartBar Reception Unit and Palmtop Computer

Put an End To Minibar Problems

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- ZERO 'Walkout' (theft by guests)
- ZERO 'Slippage' (theft by employees)
- ZERO Guest Disputes over Minibars
- Happier, less pressured Staff Environment
- Freed-up Management Time

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What is SmartBar?

- 1 SmartBar is a **Total Systems Solution** to hotel minibar problems
- **2** It is based on **a silent, SmartCard-controlled refrigerated unit** and includes all necessary hardware, software and stock to operate the system
- **3** A Certified Owner/Operator provides the system at **no cost to the hotel**, and refills the units daily. (Some hotels prefer to be Certified Owner/Operators of their own system)

How does SmartBar work?

1 Product Sales

At Check-in each adult guest using a credit card receives a **personalised, GuestCard** (ie a SmartCard containing an electronic chip). This unlocks the SmartBar in-corridor unit, when inserted into a slot on its door.

The details of each product removed from the SmartBar are **electronically recorded on the GuestCard** memory chip and also in the SmartBar unit's memory bank.

At the start of each day the night manager (or incoming day staff) **downloads the previous 24 hours of transactions** from the SmartBar memory bank onto a palmtop computer and prints out three reports. The total sales amount for each GuestCard is transferred from the "Sales by GuestCard" report onto the corresponding **guest's room account** for payment.

Upon Check-out the GuestCard is inserted into a Reception Unit and a **full printout of the guest's purchases** is produced and handed to the guest.

At any time the Licensee can **restrict access of any GuestCard** to the SmartBar units without needing to contact the guest.

All this occurs **without any minibar inspection** being required and without expensive wired connections and computer hardware and software required by other systems.

2 Product Restocking

At the start of each day the "Sales by SmartBar Unit" and "Sales by Product" **reports are faxed or emailed** to the Certified SmartBar Owner/Operator from the hotel.

The Operator then comes to the hotel and refills each SmartBar unit with the necessary stock.

At the end of each month **the Operator invoices the hotel** and receives payment for his or her services.

What are SmartBar's Advantages for Hotels?

1 Increased Sales

SmartBar's merchandising capabilities **increase sales revenues** when compared with traditional minibar installations:

- Novelty: A personalised GuestCard encourages even those Guests who
 might not purchase from a conventional minibar
- Flexible pricing: By eliminating theft ('slippage' and 'walkouts') and slashing labour costs, products can be priced closer to accepted bar prices, and this leads to increased sales
- Product Range and Quantities: An extensive product range makes it likely
 that guests will find their favourite brands. In-corridor positioning also allows
 guests access to the total inventory of all machines in each property

2 Losses Fliminated

SmartBar's security features put an end to theft and other product losses:

- Walkouts and Denials: Losses from Guest refusal to pay typically amount to 25% to 45% of stock turnover, with traditional minibar systems. SmartBar stops this by delivering full, personalized printouts of consumption from each GuestCard, on departure
- Slippage: 'Slippage' refers to internal theft. Hotel management is often reluctant to address internal theft, even though it can be a major factor in traditional minibar operations. SmartBar eliminates internal product theft

3 Operational Costs Reduced

SmartBar's efficiency results in **lower operational costs**:

- Stock Holding Costs: SmartBar requires much lower levels of stock than traditional minibar systems. Stock rotation is rapid and stock expiry eliminated
- Housekeeping Labour: SmartBar eliminates the need to check rooms to record guest minibar usage. It also ends the practice of emptying in-room minibars when school groups, etc stay
- Refilling Labour: Greater stock levels in fewer locations mean that refilling times are radically reduced, by as much as a staggering 90%!
- Product Liability: SmartBar reduces the chances of product-tampering or substitution
- Machinery Costs: In-room refrigerators can be removed and capital, maintenance, electricity and cleaning costs eliminated.

4 Zero Capital Cost

In most cases, where a Certified SmartBar Owner/Operator provides the system, the capital cost to the hotel is zero. If the hotel becomes its own Owner/Operator, the SmartBar system is modestly priced, to generate maximum returns from the investment