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ZINC WINS LARGEST EVER VOLUME SERIES COMMISSION WITH 52 HOURS OF PROGRAMMES

- **Revenue from Red Sauce commissions announced in the last two weeks reaches an aggregate of £4 million**
- **Red Sauce to expand to over 100 production roles**

Popular factual label **Red Sauce**, part of **Zinc Media Group**, is scaling up both its London and Manchester production and development teams following confirmation of a significant volume of commissions. The company has been commissioned by **Channel 5** to make 52 hours of programming - the largest volume deal ever received by a Zinc Media label. This is in addition to the 10-part series commission, announced last week, from **Dave**, the first time that Zinc Media Group has worked with the UKTV-owned channel.

Red Sauce has been commissioned by Channel 5 to make ***Bargain Loving Brits in the Sun – Costa Living***. This observational documentary series charts the lives of the Brits who’ve swapped the damp and grey of the UK for a new life in the UK’s most popular holiday destination, Spain. The series will be made by Red Sauce in Manchester.

Red Sauce has also secured a 10-part series commission from Dave, the first time that Zinc has worked with the UKTV-owned channel. ***Special Ops: Crime Squad UK*** gives viewers a unique insight into the workings of the UK’s elite police task forces. With unique access to the highest-level detective techniques used to tackle crimes where ordinary policing has failed to make progress, this gritty but intelligent series will reveal the workings of police operative units made up of the most driven and elite detectives in the country. The series will be made by Red Sauce in London.

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About Zinc Media and Red Sauce

Red Sauce is the home of popular factual, factual entertainment and formats from London and the Regions. It is part of UK factual powerhouse Zinc Media Group, home to some of the UK’s leading content creators.

Launched just a year ago, Red Sauce is led by former producer and Commissioning Editor in BBC Factual, Tom Edwards. His credits include, as Showrunner, Mary Queen of Shops (Optomen for BBC Two), The Undercover Princes (Objective North for BBC Three and BBC One) and Wife Swap (RDF for Channel 4). His Commissioning Editor back catalogue includes many high-profile shows such as: Eat Well for Less, Hugh's War on Waste, DIY SOS, and Nigel Slater's Simple Cooking (all for BBC One); The House That 100k Built, Alex Polizzi: The Fixer, Rick Stein's Long Weekends, Mary Berry's Absolute Favourites (all for BBC Two); and Conspiracy Coach Trip, Premier League's Most Amazing Moments, and Strictly Soulmates (all BBC Three). Red Sauce announced the appointment of Ben Smith as Executive Producer in November last year.

Red Sauce sits alongside five more award-winning and critically acclaimed television production labels at Zinc Media Group:

- **Blakeway**, the home of high-quality specialist factual programmes focusing on history, archaeology, natural history, arts and music
- **Brook Lapping**, the home of exceptional current affairs, contemporary history and investigations
- **Films of Record**, the home of outstanding access documentaries and one of the UK's longest established television companies
- **Tern Television**, the multi-award-winning Nations factual producer with production centres in Glasgow, Aberdeen and Belfast
- **Supercollider**, the home of 'genre-blending' content for TV and brands

The Group also includes **Zinc Communicate**, a division producing TV and digital content for brands, businesses and partners including TV and online-first content, graphics and animation, web design and hosting, video production, publishing and advertising sales. It includes Zinc's new Branded Content Division, headed by Dominic de Terville, launched last summer.