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Arla Foods Invests EUR 300Mn in New Cheese Dairy in Sweden

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Arla Foods commits approximately EUR 300 million to a new cheese dairy at its production site in GÃ¶tene, Sweden. The project will expand capacity, strengthen supply resilience and accelerate innovation across Arlaâ??s production network. At the same time, the investment will boost Swedish cheese production, jobs, food security and regional growth.

The investment reflects Arlaâ??s long-term commitment to healthy living and resilient food systems. By building modern, efficient capacity in Sweden, Arla will scale high-quality, nutritious dairy for consumers, enhance food security across its markets, and accelerate innovation in core cheese categories.

â??Global demand for reliable, nutritious protein continues to grow, and dairy plays a vital role in healthy diets and resilient food systems. We are investing at scale to build modern, efficient capacity that serves consumers across our markets, strengthens food security and advances innovation. GÃ¶tene will be a cornerstone in this network,â? says Peder Tuborgh, CEO of Arla Foods and adds, â??The clear political commitment in Sweden to increase food production and self-sufficiency has been a key factor for this decision.â•

GÃ¶tene is already one of Arlaâ??s largest production sites, with approximately 600 employees and round-the-clock operations producing butter and spreads, milk powder and cheese. With the new cheese dairy, GÃ¶tene is expected to receive around 1 billion kg of milk per year, roughly double todayâ??s volume, strengthening skills, jobs and regional development. The investment is expected to create both new full-time positions at the dairy and indirectly many more among farmers and suppliers.

The investment complements Arlaâ??s broader programme of growth projects across key markets.â?¯In 2025 alone, the cooperative committed to a high investment level of EUR 731 million across markets.

â??We are investing consistently across our markets to build the capacity and capabilities that matter most: quality, flexibility and efficiency. Projects in our key markets strengthen our portfolio in important categories and help us serve customers reliably. GÃ¶tene is a clear example of that approach, a focused investment that positions our cooperative strongly for the years ahead,â• says Peder Tuborgh.