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Creative China Holdings Limited
中國創意控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock code: 8368)

**SUPPLEMENTAL ANNOUNCEMENT
CHANGE OF AUDITOR**

Reference is made to the announcement of Creative China Holdings Limited (the “**Company**”) dated 19 December 2025 (the “**Announcement**”) in relation to the change of auditor of the Company. Unless otherwise defined, capitalised terms used herein shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcement.

The Board would like to provide the following information supplemental to the Announcement:

THE DETAILED CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS LEADING TO THE CHANGE OF AUDITOR

The detailed chronology of events leading to the change of auditor is set out below.

- (1) On 8 April 2025, Rongcheng, the original auditors, sent the audit fee quotation for 2025 to the Company, which was HK\$900,000. Upon receipt of the above quotation by the former Chief Financial Officer of the Company, and after discussion by the management of the Company, it was concluded that Rongcheng’s audit fee quotation was higher than expected and an increase of 28.57% as compared to the audit fee HK\$700,000 for 2024 while there is no significant change in the Company’s operations in 2025 compared to 2024. The former Chief Financial Officer of the Company was engaged to assist the Board in negotiating with Rongcheng.
- (2) On 14 October 2025, the Company verbally confirmed with Rongcheng that they would insist on its original quotation after their internal discussion. Rongcheng confirmed that they could not offer a lower audit quotation, and they expressed their intention to consent to the termination of the cooperation between the two parties because the two parties could not reach a consensus on the audit fee. Rongcheng would submit their resignation letter after they and the Company have completed the required administrative procedures.

- (3) On 10 November 2025, after internal deliberation, the Company verbally enquired about the quotations from auditors such as Prism Hong Kong Limited (the “**Prism**”) and Global Link CPA, which concluded that the audit fee quotation for 2025 from Rongcheng was high and inconsistent with the Company’s current operating conditions.
- (4) On 27 November 2025, the Company received official documents on audit fee quotation for 2025 from both Prism and Global Link CPA, which quoted HK\$1,000,000 and HK\$700,000, respectively.
- (5) On 11 December 2025, the Company received the draft resignation letter and draft clearance letter from Rongcheng. The draft resignation letter stated that the ground of resignation was that they and the Company could not reach a consensus on the audit fee for the year ending 31 December 2025.
- (6) On 19 December 2025, a meeting of the Audit Committee and a meeting of the Board were held respectively to approve the change of auditor, to change the auditor for 2025 to Global Link CPA. On the same day, Rongcheng submitted their signed resignation letter to the Company and issued a clearance letter to Global Link CPA.

Rongcheng expressed their consent to terminate the cooperation with the Company on the grounds that they could not reach a consensus on the audit fee with the Company, and the Company received the draft resignation letter in advance. In this regard, the Company concluded that Rongcheng initiated the change of auditor, and the Company complies with the requirement under GEM Listing Rules 13.88.

THE AUDIT FEE PROPOSED BY RONCHENG AND GLOBAL LINK CPA AND THE REASONS FOR THE DIFFERENT FEES

In respect of the audit fee quotation for 2025 provided by Rongcheng, it is estimated that the audit fee would be HK\$900,000, based on the seniority of the audit personnel, the expected manpower hours to be incurred, the applicable fee rates, and commercial reasons.

In respect of the audit fee quotation for 2025 provided by Global Link CPA, it is estimated that the audit fee would be HK\$700,000, based on the seniority of the audit personnel, the expected manpower hours to be incurred, and the applicable fee rates. Global Link CPA would engage a component auditor in the People’s Republic of China (the “**PRC**”) for the insignificant components of the Company, which enable the audit team to lower the overall cost of human resources without jeopardizing the audit quality.

The difference between fees is mainly attributable to the commercial reasons considered by Rongcheng. Rongcheng explained that a higher fee is charged in view of the audit fee remaining at HK\$700,000 since 2022, and no adjustment has been made for inflation over the past two years. Rongcheng explained that the Company has incorporated several PRC subsidiaries in the past two years for business operations. It has also increased their audit scope of work, but it has not been reflected in the fee in the past. In view of their high cost pressure and the increased scope of work, Rongcheng had to adjust the audit fee quotation for 2025. Global Link CPA can lower their cost pressure by engaging a component auditor in the PRC for the insignificant components of the Company. Generally, the fee rates of PRC auditors are lower than those of Hong Kong auditors with the equivalent seniority of audit team members.

The Audit Committee has reviewed the original auditors' audit fee quotation for 2025 and compared it with the audit fee for 2024, and considered several factors in assessing the growth rate of the Audit Fees, including but not limited to: (i) Hong Kong's inflation rate; (ii) the size and the structure of the Group; and (iii) the nature and complexity of the Group's businesses. In 2023, one PRC subsidiary was incorporated and 2 PRC subsidiaries were dissolved. The PRC subsidiary incorporated in 2023 was for an operational strategy to transfer the business from one subsidiary to another. In addition, the Group completed the reorganization on 15 January 2025, and the Group structure has been simplified. The Audit Committee is of the view that the increase in the audit fee was high and unreasonable.

At the same time, the Audit Committee reviewed the audit plan of the incoming auditors, the personnel allocation plan in the breakdown of the audit fee quotation for 2025, and compared them with the original auditors' past audit plans and manpower resource allocation, and concluded that there were no significant differences between the audit plans or personnel allocation of the incoming auditors and those of the original auditors. In addition, in terms of key audit matters for 2025, both incoming auditors and original auditors paid attention to the Company's impairment assessment of trade receivables, and both auditors proposed to engage a third-party expert to review the Company's impairment assessment of trade receivables. It is believed that the audit quality of both auditors would not experience significant different impacts. There were no significant changes in the audit plan or personnel allocation for the auditing of the Company's financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025. Global Link CPA confirmed that the agreed fee is able for them to commensurate with the audit work required.

THE INCOMING AUDITOR'S PROPOSED AUDIT PLAN

Details of the Global Link CPA's proposed audit plan are stated as follows:

Audit Approach and Plan

Global Link CPA has developed a detailed, risk-based audit plan tailored to the Company's specific business and financial reporting environment. The approach begins with a thorough understanding of the Company's operations, internal control framework, and key financial reporting risks.

Proposed Timetable and Procedures

The audit will follow a clear three-phase timeline designed to ensure a reasonable assurance and timely public reporting.

The first phase has been commenced, focusing on planning, risk assessment, and initial fieldwork.

The second phase, from early January through early March 2026, will be dedicated to the final audit, where the Global Link CPA will execute all substantive procedures and complete their testing of the year-end financial statements.

The third phase will occur in mid-March 2026, during which Global Link CPA will finalise the audit result and assist the Company to prepare the results announcement and annual report for public release. Meeting with the Audit Committee will be held from time to time where appropriate.

Resources Committed

Global Link CPA has allocated a dedicated and experienced audit team to the audit engagement. The team possess relevant industry expertise and a thorough understanding of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards requirements. The team is led by two dedicated engagement partners and two managers, supported by a sufficient number of qualified senior and junior member. This structure is designed to ensure the timely and effective execution of the audit according to the agreed timetable.

The Audit Committee assessment regarding the reasonableness of the proposed timeline and the sufficiency of the committed resources is based on several key factors. These include preliminary discussions with the Company's management and those charged with governance, a detailed review of prior year financial statements and prior year audit plan, a careful consideration of the Company's internal reporting timeline and state of readiness and review of the Group's structure as compare to prior year. Based on this evaluation, the Audit Committee believe the resources and timeline are adequate to complete a rigorous audit in full compliance with professional standards.

By order of the Board
Creative China Holdings Limited
Philip Jian Yang
Chairman & Executive Director

Hong Kong, 16 January 2026

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. Philip Jian Yang and Mr. Wang Yong as executive Directors; Mr. Yang Shiyuan and Mr. Ge Xuyu as non-executive Directors; and Ms. Fu Yuehong, Mr. Yau Yan Yuen and Mr. Wang Xinghua as independent non-executive Directors.

This announcement, for which the Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the GEM of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that to the best of their knowledge and belief the information contained in this announcement is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading or deceptive, and there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement herein or this announcement misleading.

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