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## HUA LIEN INTERNATIONAL (HOLDING) COMPANY LIMITED 華聯國際(控股)有限公司\*

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability) (Stock Code: 969)

## **CHANGE OF AUDITORS**

The Board announces that HLM & Co. has resigned as the auditors of the Company with effect from 16 January 2013. HLM CPA Limited has been appointed as the auditors of the Company on 29 January 2013 to fill the casual vacancy following the resignation of HLM & Co. with effect from 16 January 2013 and will hold office until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company.

The board (the "Board") of directors (the "Directors") of Hua Lien International (Holding) Company Limited (the "Company", together with its subsidiaries, the "Group") hereby announces that HLM & Co. has resigned as the auditors of the Company with effect from 16 January 2013 due to the internal corporate reorganization of the accounting practice of HLM & Co. as detailed below. The Board has resolved and hereby further announces that HLM CPA Limited, Certified Public Accountants, Hong Kong, has been appointed as the auditors of the Company on 29 January 2013 to fill the casual vacancy following the resignation of HLM & Co. with effect from 16 January 2013 and will hold office until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company.

On 29 January 2013, the Company was informed that the accounting practice of HLM & Co. as partnership has been reorganized and taken over by HLM CPA Limited as limited company on 16 January 2013. Consequently, HLM & Co. has to resign as auditors of the Company and HLM CPA Limited will continue to serve as auditors of the Company both with effect from 16 January 2013. To ensure a smooth transition and to maintain the continuity of professional services provided by HLM & Co., after careful consideration, the audit committee of the Company (the "Audit Committee") considered and recommended to the Board that it would be in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders as a whole to engage HLM CPA Limited as auditors of the Company. The Board adopted the recommendations of the Audit Committee and on 29 January 2013 appointed HLM CPA Limited as auditors of the Company with effect from 16 January 2013 and will hold office until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company.

HLM & Co. has confirmed that there are no circumstances connected with its resignation which it considered should be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company.

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Both the Board and the Audit Committee confirmed that there is no disagreement between the Company and HLM & Co. and there are no circumstances in respect of the change of auditors which the Board and the Audit Committee considered should be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company.

By order of the Board Hua Lien International (Holding) Company Limited Tang Jianguo Chairman

Hong Kong, 29 January 2013

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises six directors, of which three are executive directors, namely Mr. Han Hong, Mr. Hu Yebi and Mr. Tang Jianguo and three are independent non-executive directors, namely Dr. Zheng Liu, Mr. Yu Chi Jui and Ms. Li Xiao Wei.