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### Qingdao Port International Co., Ltd.

## 青島港國際股份有限公司

(A joint stock company established in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 06198)

### **ANNOUNCEMENT**

# CHANGE OF SECRETARY TO THE BOARD, JOINT COMPANY SECRETARY AND AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE

#### CHANGE OF SECRETARY TO THE BOARD AND JOINT COMPANY SECRETARY

Resignation of the Secretary to the Board, the Joint Company Secretary and Authorised Representative

The board of directors (the "Board") of Qingdao Port International Co., Ltd. (the "Company", together with its subsidiaries, the "Group") hereby announces that due to the adjustment of work arrangements, Mr. LIU Yongxia (劉永霞, "Mr. LIU") tendered his resignation letter to the Board on 15 September 2021 to the effect that Mr. LIU will resign as the secretary to the Board, the joint company secretary of the Company (the "Joint Company Secretary"), and the authorised representative of the Company (the "Authorised Representative") under Rule 3.05 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules").

The resignation letter of Mr. LIU took effect upon the delivery to the Board. Mr. LIU will no longer hold any position in the Company after his resignation from the above positions. Mr. LIU has confirmed that he has no disagreement with the Board and does not have any matters in relation to his resignation that should

be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company. Mr. LIU has also confirmed that he does not have any action or claim, existing or pending, against the Company.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to express its sincere gratitude to Mr. LIU for his invaluable contribution to the Company during his tenure of service and offer its best wishes to him.

### Appointment of the Secretary to the Board and the Joint Company Secretary

The Board further announces that Ms. SUN Hongmei (孫洪梅, "Ms. SUN") has been appointed as the secretary to the Board with a term commencing from 15 September 2021 and ending on the date of the expiration of the third session of the Board, and one of the Joint Company Secretaries with effect from 15 September 2021.

Mr. LEE Kwok Fai Kenneth (李國輝, "**Mr. LEE**") who meets the requirement under Note 1 to Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules has been appointed as one of the Joint Company Secretaries on 21 July 2021. Mr. LEE will work closely with and provide assistance to Ms. SUN in discharging her duties and responsibilities as the Joint Company Secretary.

The biographical details of Ms. SUN are set out below:

Ms. Sun, aged 41, a senior economist (高級經濟師), currently serves as the secretary to the Board of the Company and the deputy head officer (presiding over work) of the general office to the Board. From May 2013 to November 2014, Ms. Sun worked on the pre-IPO restructuring and reorganization of the Group comprehensively. From November 2014 to January 2020, Ms. Sun served successively as the department head assistant (部門主任助理), the deputy department head and the department head of the capital market office (currently known as the general office to the Board) of the Company. Ms. Sun has been serving as a securities affairs representative (證券事務代表) of the Company since January 2019, the deputy head officer (presiding over work) of the general office to the Board since January 2020 and the secretary to the Board of the Company since September 2021.

Ms. Sun obtained a master's degree in literature from Tongji University (同濟大學). Ms. Sun owns the qualification of board secretary issued by the Shanghai Stock Exchange and the qualification of Affiliated Person (聯席成員) issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries (currently known as the Hong Kong Chartered Governance Institute) and has been engaged in the restructuring and reorganization, A share offering and listing, H share offering and listing and private placement of the Company, and has extensive experience in meeting organizing, information disclosure, investor relations management and other securities matters of A-share and H-share listed company.

For biographical details of Mr. LEE, please see the announcement of the Company dated 21 July 2021.

### Waiver Regarding the Qualification and Experience of Joint Company Secretary

Pursuant to Rule 8.17 of the Listing Rules, a listed issuer must appoint a company secretary who meets the requirements under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules. Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules provides that a listed issuer must appoint as its company secretary an individual who, in the opinion of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange"), is capable of discharging the functions of company secretary of the listed issuer by virtue of his/her academic or professional qualifications or relevant experience.

Ms. SUN currently does not possess the qualifications of a company secretary as required under Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules. Nevertheless, considering, among others, (i) Ms. SUN has over 8 years of experience in the general office to the Board of the Company and has established good relations and communication links with the Board, supervisory committee of the Company and the management members of the Group; (ii) Ms. Sun has been involving in overseeing and handling of regulatory and compliance issues of the Company (in both A share and H share regimes) continuously. She possesses practical experience in relation to application of and compliance with the Listing Rules and other relevant laws and regulations through her participation in daily operations of the Company. Ms. Sun will continue to be assisted by the Company's Hong Kong legal adviser, particularly in relation to Hong Kong corporate governance practices and compliance issues, on matters concerning the Company's ongoing compliance with the Listing Rules and the applicable laws and regulations; (iii) Ms. SUN has taken relevant trainings organized by The Hong Kong Chartered Governance Institute, Shanghai Stock Exchange and the Company's legal advisers, and Ms. SUN undertakes that she will take no less than 15 hours of relevant professional training in each of the financial year required under Rule 3.29 of the Listing Rules; and (iv) Mr. LEE will work closely with Ms. SUN on all compliance-related issues in the day-to-day operations of the Company to jointly discharge their duties and responsibilities as the Joint Company Secretaries and

assist Ms. SUN to acquire the relevant experience as required under Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing

Rules, and the Company believes that Ms. SUN is capable of discharging her functions as the Joint

Company Secretary.

The Company has applied to the Stock Exchange for, and the Stock Exchange has granted, a waiver from

strict compliance with the requirements under Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules with respect to the

appointment of Ms. SUN as the Joint Company Secretary for a period of three years from the date of her

appointment as the Joint Company Secretary (the "Waiver Period"). The waiver was granted on the

conditions that (i) Ms. SUN must be assisted by Mr. LEE during the Waiver Period; and (ii) the waiver

could be revoked if there are material breaches of the Listing Rules by the Company. The Company should

announce the reasons, details and conditions of the waiver, and the qualifications and experience of Ms.

SUN. Before the end of the Waiver Period, the Company must demonstrate and seek the confirmation from

the Stock Exchange that Ms. SUN, having had the benefit of Mr. LEE's assistance during the Waiver

Period, has attained the relevant experience and is capable of discharging the functions of company

secretary under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules such that a further waiver will not be necessary. The Stock

Exchange may withdraw or change the waiver if the Company's situation changes.

CHANGE OF AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE

Following the resignation of Mr. LIU as stated above with effect from 15 September 2021, Mr. LIU ceased

to act as the Authorised Representative. Ms. SUN has been appointed in place of Mr. LIU as the Authorised

Representative, with effect from 15 September 2021. Immediately after the aforesaid change, the

Authorised Representatives are Mr. SU Jianguang (蘇建光), the chairman of the Board, and Ms. SUN.

By order of the Board

Qingdao Port International Co., Ltd.

**SU Jianguang** 

Chairman

Qingdao, the PRC, 15 September 2021

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. SU Jianguang and Mr. WANG Xinze, the non-executive Directors are Mr. LI Wucheng, Mr. FENG Boming, Mr. WANG Jun and Ms. WANG Fuling; and the

independent non-executive Directors are Ms. LI Yan, Mr. JIANG Min and Mr. LAI Kwok Ho.

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