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## **Huafang Group Inc.**

花房集团公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 3611)

### (1) QUARTERLY UPDATES ON STATUS OF RESUMPTION; (2) FURTHER DELAY IN PUBLICATION OF 2022 AUDITED ANNUAL RESULTS AND DESPATCH OF THE 2022 ANNUAL REPORT; AND (3) CONTINUED SUSPENSION OF TRADING

This announcement is made by Huafang Group Inc. (the "Company", together with its subsidiaries, the "Group") pursuant to Rules 13.09 and 13.24A of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the "Listing Rules") on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") and the Inside Information Provisions (as defined under the Listing Rules) under Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong).

References are made to the announcements of the Company (i) dated March 20, 2023 in relation to the date of Board meeting; (ii) dated March 30, 2023 in relation to the unaudited annual results announcement for the year ended December 31, 2022; (iii) dated April 3, 2023 and April 25, 2023 in relation to, among other things, delay in publication of the audited consolidated final results for the year ended December 31, 2022 (the "2022 Audited Annual Results") and suspension of trading; and (iv) dated June 23, 2023 in relation to the Resumption Guidance (collectively, the "Announcements"). Unless the context requires otherwise, capitalized terms used herein shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcements.

#### RESUMPTION GUIDANCE

As disclosed in the announcement of the Company dated June 23, 2023, the Company received a letter from the Stock Exchange, in which, inter alia, the Stock Exchange sets out the following Resumption Guidance:

(i) publish all outstanding financial results required under the Listing Rules and address any audit modifications;

- (ii) conduct an appropriate independent investigation, assess the impact on the Company's business operation and financial position, announce the findings and take appropriate remedial actions:
- (iii) conduct an independent internal control review and demonstrate that the Company has in place adequate internal control and procedures to comply with the Listing Rules;
- (iv) demonstrate the Company's compliance with Rule 13.24 of the Listing Rules; and
- (v) announce all material information for the Company's shareholders and investors to appraise its position.

#### UPDATED INFORMATION

#### LATEST BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

The Group is principally engaged in offering video- and audio-based live entertainment and social networking services to its users.

Since the suspension of trading in the Shares on April 3, 2023 and up to the date of this announcement, the Group continued to operate its business by implementing its business strategies and the live streaming and video- and audio-based social networking products operated by the Group are accessed and used by its users as usual. The Group will also provide its financial information for the six months ended June 30, 2023 in due course and in an appropriate manner.

#### INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION

The Company is currently negotiating with a potential independent investigator (the "Independent Investigator") to conduct an independent investigation (the "Independent Investigation") to assess the impact of the Frozen Accounts and the Investigation on the Company's business operation and financial position. The Independent Investigator will produce a report of findings on the Independent Investigation and recommendations for remedial actions to the Audit Committee and the Company's auditors. The Company expects to complete engaging the Independent Investigator within July 2023. The Company will make further announcement on the material developments and progress of the Independent Investigation in due course.

#### APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL CONTROL CONSULTANT

The Company has been seeking to engage an independent internal control consultant (the "Internal Control Consultant"), to conduct an independent internal control review (the "Internal Control Review") and demonstrate that the Company has in place adequate internal control and procedures to comply with the Listing Rules. The Company is currently communicating with several potential independent internal control consultants and expects to complete engaging the Internal Control Consultant within July 2023. The Company will make further announcement on the material developments and progress of the Internal Control Review in due course.

#### DEMONSTRATE COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 13.24 OF THE LISTING RULES

The Board considers that the Company has always complied with Rule 13.24 of the Listing Rules given that the Group is carrying out its business with a sufficient level of operations including the live streaming and video- and audio-based social networking products operated by the Group, the management team and staff and its large and active user base and assets of sufficient value including the Group's tangible and intangible assets and working capital for supporting its business operations. The Board will continue to assess and monitor the impact of the suspension of trading on the operations and financial performance of the Company.

# FURTHER DELAY IN PUBLICATION OF 2022 AUDITED ANNUAL RESULTS AND DESPATCH OF THE 2022 ANNUAL REPORT

As disclosed in the Announcements, the Company expects to publish the 2022 Audited Annual Results and despatch the 2022 Annual Report on or before June 30, 2023, subject to the actual progress of the Investigation. As stated above, the Company is currently negotiating with the Independent Investigator to conduct the Independent Investigation to assess the impact of the Frozen Accounts and the Investigation on the Company's business operation and financial position and further communicating with its auditors. Accordingly, the publication of the 2022 Audited Annual Results and despatch of the 2022 Annual Report will be further delayed. The expected date of publication will be announced as and when appropriate.

#### OTHER UPDATED INFORMATION

The Company is taking appropriate steps to fulfil the Resumption Guidance and will update the shareholders of the Company and potential investors on, among others, such progress in due course.

#### CONTINUED SUSPENSION OF TRADING

At the request of the Company, trading in the shares of the Company on the Stock Exchange was suspended with effect from 9:00 a.m. on April 3, 2023 pending the publication of the 2022 Audited Annual Results, and will remain suspended pending fulfilment of the Resumption Guidance and any supplement or modification thereto.

By Order of the Board **Huafang Group Inc.** 花房集团公司 **Mr. ZHOU Hongyi** *Chairman* 

Hong Kong, June 30, 2023

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Ms. YU Dan as executive director; Mr. ZHOU Hongyi, Mr. CHEN Shengmin and Mr. ZHAO Dan as non-executive directors; and Mr. CHEN Weiguang, Mr. LI Bing and Ms. QIAN Aimin as independent non-executive directors.