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## DISCLOSEABLE TRANSACTION

# NEW LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE OPENING OF A NEW CUE RESTAURANT AT THE NEW TOWN PLAZA

Reference is made to the disclosable transaction announcement issued by the Company dated 11 April 2022 in relation to the renewal of the Parkview Lease. Unless otherwise defined, terms used herein shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcement.

The Board is pleased to announce that on 1 September 2022 (after trading hours), the Group through a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company entered into the New Lease.

The agreement in respect of the New Lease is still subject to the execution by the Landlord.

The Parkview Lease and the New Lease are entered into with the same Landlord at the same shopping mall.

## LISTING RULES IMPLICATIONS

All of the Applicable Percentage Ratios in respect of the Lease Assets of the New Lease are less than 5%, however when aggregated together as the two leases are entered into with the same landlord at the same shopping mall, one or more of the Applicable Percentage Ratios in respect of the Aggregated Lease Assets exceed(s) 5% but less than 25%, therefore the Aggregated Lease Assets constitutes a discloseable transaction of the Company under Chapter 19 of the GEM Listing Rules and is subject to the reporting and announcement requirements under the GEM Listing Rules.

## INTRODUCTION

Reference is made to the disclosable transaction announcement issued by the Company dated 11 April 2022 (the "**Announcement**") in relation to the renewal of the lease of our Parkview Restaurant at the New Town Plaza in Shatin (the "**Parkview Lease**"). Unless otherwise defined, terms used herein shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcement.

The Board is pleased to announce that on 1 September 2022 (after trading hours), the Group through a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company entered into a new lease agreement for the opening of a new café restaurant under the brand *CUE by Rin Horiuchi* (the "**New Lease**") in Hong Kong.

The agreement in respect of the New Lease is still subject to the execution by the Landlord.

The Parkview Lease and the New Lease are entered into with the same Landlord at the same shopping mall.

To the best of the Directors' knowledge, information and belief having made all reasonable enquiries, as at the date of this announcement, the Landlord is an independent third party of the Company and not connected persons of the Company.

Details of the two Leases are as follows:

## (1) Parkview Lease

Parkview Restaurant – New Town Plaza, Shatin, Hong Kong

Date of the agreement:	6 July 2022
Location:	Shop 117, New Town Plaza, Shatin, Hong Kong
Commencement:	1 October 2022

The Lease Assets for the Parkview Lease amounted to approximately HK\$24,529,000.

#### (2) New Lease

## CUE by Rin Horiuchi – New Town Plaza, Shatin, Hong Kong

Date signed by the Group:	1 September 2022
Location:	Shop 126, New Town Plaza, Shatin, Hong Kong
Commencement:	1 November 2022

The Lease Assets for the New Lease amounted to approximately HK\$15,162,000.

The terms of the Parkview Lease and the New Lease were determined after arm's length negotiations between the Landlord and the Group, with reference to the prevailing market rentals for properties of similar type, age and location.

## INFORMATION ON THE LANDLORD

The Landlord is major property developer and operator of premium shopping malls in Hong Kong. Other shopping malls owned and managed by the Landlord includes the APM, Metroplaza, Park Central, V City, V Walk and Yoho Mall. The Landlord is listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange. For the year ended 30 June 2021, the Landlord recorded revenue of approximately HK\$85.3 billion of which approximately HK\$15.2 billion were from the Hong Kong property rental business.

Located in Shatin, New Town Plaza, which includes HomeSquare, is the flagship shopping mall of the Landlord located adjacent to the MTR Shatin Station and is one of the largest shopping complex in Hong Kong covering approximately two million square foot with over 350 retail shops as well as over 50 restaurants (source: shkp.com and newtownplaza.com.hk).

## **REASONS AND BENEFITS**

Due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, securing good restaurant locations has become less competitive and the Board believes that opening new restaurants in high footfall traffic shopping malls such as the New Town Plaza is in line with the business strategy of the Group and is in the best interest of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole.

### IMPLICATIONS UNDER THE GEM LISTING RULES

All of the Applicable Percentage Ratios in respect of the Lease Assets of the New Lease are less than 5%, however when aggregated together as the two leases are entered into with the same landlord at the same shopping mall, one or more of the Applicable Percentage Ratios in respect of the Aggregated Lease Assets exceed(s) 5% but less than 25%, therefore the Aggregated Lease Assets constitutes a discloseable transaction of the Company under Chapter 19 of the GEM Listing Rules and is subject to the reporting and announcement requirements under the GEM Listing Rules.

#### INFORMATION ON THE COMPANY

The Group is a Hong Kong restaurant group serving a variety of cuisines, mainly Vietnamese, Chinese, Japanese and Western cuisines targeting mid-to-high-end customer segments. Since the opening of our first restaurant, Urawa Japanese restaurant, in December 2007, we have been expanding our restaurant network in Hong Kong through our multi-brand business model. Currently, we own and operate a total of 38 full service restaurants strategically located in first tier and/or premium shopping malls or on street levels in prime areas and business districts, covering Hong Kong Island, Kowloon and New Territories and Shanghai.

#### DEFINITIONS

In this announcement, unless context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the following meanings:

"Aggregated Lease Assets"	Aggregate of the Lease Assets of the New Lease and the Parkview Lease
"Applicable Percentage Ratios"	applicable percentage ratios (as defined under the GEM Listing Rules)
"Board" or "Directors"	the board of directors of the Company
"Company"	Taste • Gourmet Group Limited, a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability and the shares of which are listed on GEM
"connected person(s)"	have the meaning ascribed to it under the GEM Listing Rules
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"Landlord"	Sun Hung Kai Properties Limited, a limited liability company incorporated in Hong Kong whose shares are listed on the Main board of the Stock Exchange (stock code: 00016)
"Lease Assets"	The right-of-use asset(s) represents a lessee's license to hold, operate, or occupy a leased item over the term of the lease
"Stock Exchange"	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
"independent third party(ies)"	third party(ies) independent of and not connected with the Company and connected persons of the Company
"Main Board"	Main Board of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange
"Shareholders"	shareholders of the Company
"subsidiaries"	have the meaning ascribed to it under the GEM Listing Rules
"%"	per cent

#### By Order of the Board **WONG Ngai Shan** *Chairman and Executive Director*

#### Hong Kong, 1 September 2022

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises:

Executive Directors:	Independent Non-executive Directors:	
WONG Ngai Shan <i>(Chairman)</i>	CHAN Yuen Ting	
CHAN Wai Chun (Chief Executive Officer)	TSANG Siu Chun	
LOW Soon Huat (Chief Operating Officer)	WANG Chin Mong	
YU Man To Gerald Maximillian (Chief Financial Officer and Company Secretary)		

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