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Link Holdings Limited

華星控股有限公司*

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 8237)

DELAY IN DESPATCH OF THE RESPONSE DOCUMENT IN RELATION TO MANDATORY CONDITIONAL CASH OFFERS BY OCTAL CAPITAL LIMITED ON BEHALF OF ACE KINGDOM ENTERPRISES CORPORATION TO ACQUIRE ALL OF THE ISSUED SHARES AND ALL OF THE CONVERTIBLE BONDS OF LINK HOLDINGS LIMITED (OTHER THAN THOSE ALREADY OWNED BY ACE KINGDOM ENTERPRISES CORPORATION AND PARTIES ACTING IN CONCERT WITH IT)

References are made to (i) the announcement dated 23 February 2023 issued by Ace Kingdom Enterprises Corporation (the “**Offeror**”) in relation to the Offers, (ii) the response announcement (the “**Response Announcement**”) dated 1 March 2023 issued by the Company pursuant to Rule 3.2 and Rule 3.8 of the Takeovers Code; and (iii) the Offer Document dated 16 March 2023 issued by the Offeror in relation to the Offers. Unless otherwise defined, capitalised terms used in this letter shall have the same meanings as ascribed to them in the Response Announcement.

DELAY IN DESPATCH OF THE RESPONSE DOCUMENT

The Offer Document was despatched by the Offeror on 16 March 2023. According to Rule 8.4 of the Takeovers Code, the Company should send to its shareholders within 14 days of the posting of the Offer Document, i.e. 30 March 2023, a circular containing the information set out in Schedule II of the Takeovers Code together with any other information it considers to be relevant to enable its shareholders to reach a properly informed decision on the Offers. The Executive’s consent is required if the offeree board circular, i.e. the Response Document, may not be posted within this period.

As additional time is required to finalise certain information to be included in the Response Document, an application has been made to the Executive pursuant to Rule 8.4 of the Takeovers Code for its consent to an extension of time to despatch the Response Document to a date falling on or before 12 April 2023. The Offeror has agreed to an extension of the first closing date of the Offers by the number of days in respect of which the delay in the posting of the Response Document is agreed. The Executive has granted its consent for such extension.

Further announcement(s) in relation to the despatch of the Response Document will be made by the Company as and when appropriate.

By order of the Board
Link Holdings Limited
Datuk Siew Pek Tho
Executive Director and Chairman

Hong Kong, 30 March 2023

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Director is Datuk Siew Pek Tho; and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Thng Bock Cheng John, Mr. Chan So Kuen and Mr. Simon Luk.

The Directors jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this announcement and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this announcement have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this announcement, the omission of which would make any statements in this announcement misleading.

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