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(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 8341)

PROPOSALS FOR RE-ELECTION OF RETIRING DIRECTORS, GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE NEW SHARES AND TO REPURCHASE SHARES, AMENDMENTS TO THE MEMORANDUM AND ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION AND NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A notice convening the AGM of Aeso Holding Limited to be held at Portion 2, 12/F, The Center, 99 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong on Thursday, 28 September 2023, at 4:00 p.m. is set out on pages 20 to 24 of this circular. Whether or not you are able to attend the AGM, you are requested to complete the enclosed form of proxy in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return it to the Company's Hong Kong branch share registrar and transfer office, Tricor Investor Services Limited at 17/F, Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong as soon as possible and in any event not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the AGM or any adjournment thereof. Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude you from attending and voting in person at the AGM or any adjournment thereof if you so wish.

This circular, for which the Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the GEM Listing Rules for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that to the best of their knowledge and belief, the information contained in this circular is accurate and complete in all material aspects and not misleading or deceptive, and there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement herein or this circular misleading.

CHARACTERISTICS OF GEM

GEM has been positioned as a market designed to accommodate small and mid-sized companies to which a higher investment risk may be attached than other companies listed on the Stock Exchange. Prospective investors should be aware of the potential risks of investing in such companies and should make the decision to invest only after due and careful consideration.

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DEFINITIONS

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

"AGM" the annual general meeting of the Company to be held at

Portion 2, 12/F, The Center, 99 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong on Thursday, 28 September 2023, at 4:00 p.m., notice of which is set out on pages 20 to 24 of this

circular;

"Articles" or the articles of association of the Company adopted on 22

"Articles of Association" December 2016 and effective on 13 January 2017;

"Board" the board of Directors;

"Business Day" means a day on which the Stock Exchange is open for the

business of dealing in securities;

"close associate(s)" has the same meaning as defined in the GEM Listing

Rules;

"Companies Act" the Companies Act (as revised), formerly known as the

Companies Law, Cap. 22 (Law 3 of 1961, as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands, as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time;

"Company" Aeso Holding Limited, a company incorporated in the

Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability and the Shares of which are listed on the GEM

(stock code: 8341);

"core connected person(s)" has the same meaning as defined in the GEM Listing

Rules;

"Director(s)" the director(s) of the Company;

"GEM" the GEM of the Stock Exchange;

"GEM Listing Rules" the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on GEM;

"Group" the Company and its subsidiaries;

DEFINITIONS

"HK\$" Hong Kong dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong; "Hong Kong" the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC; "Invested Entity" any entity in which any member of the Group holds an equity interest; "Issue Mandate" the general and unconditional mandate to allot, issue and deal with Shares (and securities convertible into Shares) representing up to a maximum of 20% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of passing of the resolution; "Latest Practicable Date" 23 August 2023, being the latest practicable date prior to the printing of this circular for ascertaining certain information contained in this circular; "Memorandum" the memorandum of association of the Company adopted on 22 December 2016 and effective on 13 January 2017; "PRC" the People's Republic of China, excluding Hong Kong for the purposes of this circular; "Repurchase Mandate" the general and unconditional mandate to repurchase Shares up to 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of the passing of the relevant resolution; "SFO" the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong); "Share(s)" ordinary share(s) of US\$0.01 each in the share capital of the Company; "Shareholder(s)" holder(s) of the Shares;

Securities and Futures Commission;

has the meaning ascribed thereto under the GEM Listing

the Code on Takeovers and Mergers issued by the

The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited;

Rules;

"Stock Exchange"

"Takeovers Code"

"substantial shareholder"

DEFINITIONS					
"US\$"	United States dollars, the lawful currency of the United				
ОЗФ	States; and				
··%"	per cent.				



AESO HOLDING LIMITED 艾碩控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 8341)

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Mr. Chan Siu Chung (Chairman)

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Mr. Zhang Hai Wei

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28 August 2023

To the Shareholders

Dear Sir or Madam,

PROPOSALS FOR RE-ELECTION OF RETIRING DIRECTORS, GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE NEW SHARES AND TO REPURCHASE SHARES, AMENDMENTS TO THE MEMORANDUM AND ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION AND NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this circular is to give you information regarding the resolutions to be proposed at the AGM including ordinary resolutions for, inter alia, (i) the re-election of the retiring Directors; and (ii) granting to the Directors the Issue Mandate and the Repurchase Mandate, and (iii) special resolutions for the proposed amendments to the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

RE-ELECTION OF RETIRING DIRECTORS

Pursuant to the Articles, (i) Mr. Cheung Hiu Tung will retire at the AGM and, being eligible, offer himself for re-election as an executive Director; and (ii) Ms. Lai Wing Sze will retire at the AGM and, being eligible, offer herself for re-election as an independent non-executive Director. biographical details of the retiring Directors proposed to be re-elected at the AGM are set out in Appendix I of this circular.

ISSUE MANDATE AND REPURCHASE MANDATE

At the AGM, separate ordinary resolutions will be proposed to seek the approval of the Shareholders to grant to the Directors general and unconditional mandates to:

- (a) allot, issue and otherwise deal with additional Shares (and securities convertible into Shares) representing up to a maximum of 20% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of passing of the relevant resolution and authorising the addition to the mandate to allot, issue and deal with further Shares to include the aggregate nominal amount of such Shares (if any) repurchased by the Company pursuant to the Repurchase Mandate referred to in paragraph (b) below; and
- (b) repurchase Shares up to 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of passing of the relevant resolution.

The Issue Mandate and the Repurchase Mandate will end on the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company; or
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by law or the Articles to be held; or
- (iii) the revocation or variation of the relevant resolution by an ordinary resolution of the Shareholders in general meeting.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the issued share capital of the Company comprised 80,000,000 Shares. On the basis that no further Shares will be issued or repurchased following the Latest Practicable Date and prior to the date of the AGM, the Company will be allowed to issue a maximum of 16,000,000 Shares under the Issue Mandate and to repurchase a maximum of 8,000,000 Shares under the Repurchase Mandate, representing not more than 20% and 10% of the issued share capital of the Company respectively as at the date of passing of such resolutions.

An explanatory statement in relation to the Repurchase Mandate is set out in Appendix II to this circular containing the particulars required by the GEM Listing Rules to enable the Shareholders to make an informed view on whether to vote for or against the resolution to be proposed at the AGM in relation to the Repurchase Mandate.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE MEMORANDUM AND ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

The Board proposes to amend the existing Memorandum and Articles of Association in order to bring the Memorandum and Articles of Association in line with the latest legal and regulatory requirements, including the amendments made to Appendix 3 to the GEM Listing Rules which took effect on 1 January 2022.

The proposed amendments to the Memorandum and Articles of Association ("Proposed Amendments") are summarised below:

- 1. to specify that the Company shall hold an annual general meeting within six months after the end of the Company's financial year;
- 2. to provide that all Shareholders shall have the right to speak at a general meeting of the Company;
- 3. to provide that in addition to the right to convene an extraordinary general meeting on the requisition of one or more Shareholder(s) holding not less than one-tenth (1/10th) of the voting rights on a one vote per share basis in the share capital of the Company at general meetings, such Shareholder(s) shall also have the right to add resolutions to the meeting agenda of a general meeting;
- 4. to provide that the branch register of Shareholders in Hong Kong may be closed on terms equivalent to section 632 of the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 622 of the Laws in Hong Kong); and
- to make other necessary amendments for updating the Memorandum and Articles of Association and better aligning with the wording in the applicable laws of Cayman Islands and the GEM Listing Rules.

For details of the Proposed Amendments, please refer to Appendix III to this circular.

AGM

The notice convening the AGM is set out on pages 20 to 24 of this circular. A form of proxy for use at the AGM is enclosed. Whether or not you are able to attend the AGM, you are requested to complete and return the form of proxy in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and deposit it with the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at 17/F, Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong as soon as

possible and in any event not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding of the AGM or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be). Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude you from attending and voting in person at the AGM or any adjournment thereof should you so wish.

Pursuant to Rule 17.47(4) of the GEM Listing Rules, any vote of shareholders at a general meeting must be taken by poll except where the chairman of the meeting, in good faith, decides to allow a resolution which relates purely to a procedural or administrative matter to be voted on by a show of hands. Accordingly, each of the resolutions set out in the notice of the AGM will be put to the vote by way of a poll.

To the best of the Directors' knowledge, information and belief, having made all reasonable enquiries, no Shareholder is required to abstain from voting on the resolutions to be proposed at the AGM.

GENERAL

The English text of this circular shall prevail over the Chinese text.

RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

This circular, for which the Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the GEM Listing Rules for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that to the best of their knowledge and belief the information contained in this circular is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading or deceptive, and there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement contained herein or this circular misleading.

RECOMMENDATION

The Directors consider that the re-election of the retiring Directors, the granting of the Issue Mandate and the Repurchase Mandate and the Proposed Amendments to the Memorandum and Articles of Association are in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole. The Directors therefore recommend the Shareholders to vote in favour of each of the resolutions set out in the notice of the AGM.

By Order of the Board

Aeso Holding Limited

Chan Siu Chung

Executive Director and Chairman

APPENDIX I BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF RETIRING DIRECTORS

The following are the biographical details on the retiring Directors who have offered themselves for re-election at the AGM.

Mr. Cheung Hiu Tung

Mr. Cheung Hiu Tung ("Mr. Cheung"), aged 46, joined the Group in October 2008 and Mr. Cheung was appointed as the executive director of the Group on 1 November 2019. Mr. Cheung has over 22 years of experience in the building and construction industry. Mr. Cheung completed a 75-day Measurement Technician Training Course delivered by Construction Industry Training Authority in Hong Kong in November 1996. He obtained a certificate in quantity surveying and a higher certificate in quantity surveying from Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education in Hong Kong in July 2000 and July 2002, respectively.

Mr. Cheung was appointed for an initial term of three years commencing on the date of the letter of appointment. His remuneration is HK\$975,000 per annum, which commensurate with his duties and responsibilities.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Cheung has not held any directorship in the last three years in public companies the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Cheung held 800,000 share options of the Company. Save as disclosed above, Mr. Cheung does not have any interests in shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO. He does not have any relationships with any directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholder of the Company for the purpose of the GEM Listing Rules.

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Ms. Lai Wing Sze

Ms. Lai Wing Sze ("Ms. Lai"), aged 34, joined the Group as the independent non-executive director on 24 May 2019. She obtained a bachelor degree of arts from the University of Derby. Ms. Lai has extensive working experience in Hong Kong and overseas. Prior to joining the Company, Ms. Lai had held various managerial and supervisory positions in certain multinational corporations.

Ms. Lai was appointed for an initial term of three years commencing on the date of the letter of appointment. Her remuneration is HK\$120,000 per annum, which commensurate with her duties and responsibilities.

Save as disclosed above, Ms. Lai has not held any directorship in the last three years in public companies the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Ms. Lai does not have any interests in shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO. She does not have any relationships with any directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholder of the Company for the purpose of the GEM Listing Rules.

This appendix serves as an explanatory statement, as required by the GEM Listing Rules, to provide information to you with regard to the Repurchase Mandate.

1. GEM LISTING RULES RELATING TO THE REPURCHASE OF SECURITIES

The GEM Listing Rules permit companies whose primary listings are on the Stock Exchange to repurchase their securities (which shall include, where the context permits, shares of all classes and securities which carry a right to subscribe or purchase shares) on the Stock Exchange subject to certain restrictions amongst which the GEM Listing Rules provide that the shares proposed to be repurchased by a company must be fully paid-up and all repurchases of shares by a company with a primary listing on the Stock Exchange must be approved in advance by an ordinary resolution of shareholders either by way of general mandate to the directors to make such repurchases or by specific approval of a particular transaction.

2. SHARE CAPITAL

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the issued share capital of the Company comprised 80,000,000 Shares. Subject to the passing of the proposed resolution granting the Repurchase Mandate and on the basis that no Shares are allotted and issued or repurchased by the Company prior to the AGM, the Company would be allowed under the Repurchase Mandate to repurchase a maximum of 8,000,000 Shares, representing 10% of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of passing the proposed resolution on the Repurchase Mandate.

3. REASONS FOR THE REPURCHASE

The Directors believe that the ability to repurchase Shares is in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole. Repurchases may, depending on the market conditions and funding arrangements of the Company at the time, result in an increase in net asset value and/or earnings per Share. The Directors are seeking a general mandate to repurchase Shares so as to give the Company flexibility to do so if and when appropriate. The number(s) of Shares to be repurchased on any occasion and the price and other terms upon which the same are repurchased will be decided by the Directors at the relevant time having regard to the circumstances then pertaining.

Whilst it is not possible to anticipate in advance any specific circumstance in which the Directors might think it appropriate to repurchase Shares, a repurchase would be effected where the resulting reduction in the issued capital of the Company was considered beneficial. The Directors believe that an ability to repurchase Shares gives the Company additional flexibility that would be beneficial. Shareholders can be assured that the Directors would only make such repurchases in circumstances where they consider them to be in the interest of the Company because they consider the Shares can be purchased on favourable terms.

4. FUNDING OF REPURCHASES

Repurchases made pursuant to the Repurchase Mandate would be funded out of funds legally available for the purpose in accordance with the Company's memorandum of association, the Articles, the Companies Law and other applicable laws of the Cayman Islands. A listed company may not repurchase its own securities on GEM for a consideration other than cash or for settlement otherwise than in accordance with the trading rules of the Stock Exchange. Under the Companies Law, repurchases by the Company may only be made out of profits of the Company or out of the proceeds of a fresh issue of Shares made for the purpose, or, if so authorised by the Articles and subject to the provisions of the Companies Law, out of capital.

Any premium payable on a redemption or purchase over the par value of the Shares to be purchased must be provided for out of profits of the Company or out of the Company's share premium account, or, if so authorised by the Articles and subject to the provisions of the Companies Law, out of capital.

Taking into account the current working capital position of the Company, the Directors consider that, if the Repurchase Mandate was to be exercised in full, it might have a material adverse effect on the working capital and/or the gearing position of the Company as compared with the position as at 31 March 2023, being the date of its latest published audited financial statements. However, the Directors do not intend to make any repurchases to such an extent as would, in the circumstances, have a material adverse effect on the working capital requirements or the gearing position of the Company which in the opinion of the Directors are from time to time appropriate for the Company.

5. SHARE PRICES

The highest and lowest prices at which the Shares were traded on the Stock Exchange in each of the previous twelve months immediately prior to the Latest Practicable Date were as follows:

Month	Highest	
	HK\$	HK\$
2022		
August	0.480	0.410
September	0.430	0.310
October	0.400	0.330
November	0.350	0.310
December	0.320	0.260
2023		
January	0.275	0.241
February	0.275	0.240
March	0.235	0.200
April	0.223	0.200
May	0.220	0.200
June	0.200	0.200
July	0.200	0.181
August (up to the Latest Practicable Date)	0.196	0.150

6. DIRECTORS' INTERESTS

To the best of the knowledge of the Directors having made all reasonable enquiries, there are no Directors or close associates of the Directors who have a present intention, in the event that the Repurchase Mandate is granted by the Shareholders, to sell any of the Shares to the Company.

7. TAKEOVERS CODE AND THE PUBLIC FLOAT REQUIREMENT

If a Shareholder's proportionate interest in the voting rights of the Company increases on the Company exercising its powers to repurchase Shares pursuant to the Repurchase Mandate, such increase will be treated as an acquisition for the purpose of Rule 32 of the Takeovers Code. As a result, a Shareholder or group of Shareholders acting in concert (as defined in the Takeovers Code) could obtain or consolidate control of the Company and become obliged to make a mandatory offer in accordance with Rules 26 and 32 of the Takeovers Code.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, according to the register of members kept by the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO and so far as was known to, or could be ascertained after reasonable enquiry by the Directors, the following persons were directly or indirectly interested in 10% or more of the number of the issued shares that carry a right to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of the Company:

			Approximate
			percentage of
			shareholding if
	Number of	Approximate	the Repurchase
	issued Shares	percentage of	Mandate is
Name	held/interested	shareholding	exercise in full
Acropolis Limited (Note)	10,600,000	13.25%	14.72%
Mr. Chan Siu Chung (Note)	11,800,000	14.75%	16.39%

Note: Mr. Chan Siu Chung held 10,600,000 Shares through Acropolis Limited in which Mr. Chan Siu Chung is the sole director and shareholder. Also, Mr. Chan Siu Chung held 1,200,000 shares options of the Company directly.

On the basis that the issued share capital of the Company remains unchanged up to date of the AGM, in the event that the Repurchase Mandate is exercised in full, the increase in shareholding of the above shareholders would not give rise to an obligation to make a mandatory offer in accordance with Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the Directors have no intention to exercise the Repurchase Mandate to such an extent that will result in a requirement of any of the above shareholder(s) or any other persons to make a general offer under the Takeovers Code or the number of Shares in the hands of the public falling below the prescribed minimum percentage of 25%.

The Directors are not aware of any consequences which could arise under the Takeovers Code as a consequence of any repurchases pursuant to the Repurchase Mandate in full.

8. CORE CONNECTED PERSONS

No core connected persons of the Company have notified the Company that they have a present intention to sell any of the Shares to the Company and no such persons have undertaken not to sell any of the Shares held by them to the Company in the event that the Repurchase Mandate is granted by the Shareholders.

9. UNDERTAKING OF THE DIRECTORS

The Directors have undertaken to the Stock Exchange that, so far as the same may be applicable, they will exercise the power of the Company to make repurchases of the Shares pursuant to the Repurchase Mandate in accordance with the GEM Listing Rules, the applicable laws of Cayman Islands and the regulations set out in the memorandum of association and Articles of the Company.

10. SECURITIES REPURCHASES MADE BY THE COMPANY

During the six months preceding the Latest Practicable Date, the Company had not repurchased any of the Company's listed securities (whether on the Stock Exchange or otherwise).

The following are the Proposed Amendments to the existing Memorandum and Articles of Association. Unless otherwise specified, clauses, paragraphs and article numbers referred to herein are clauses, paragraphs and article numbers of the existing Memorandum and Articles of Association.

- 1. Amend the following clause in the Articles of Association:
 - 5(a). If at any time the share capital of the Company is divided into different classes of Shares, all or any of the special rights attached to any class (unless otherwise provided for by the terms of issue of the Shares of that class) may, subject to the provisions of the Companies Law, be varied or abrogated either with the consent in writing of the holders of not less than three-quarters in nominal value of the issued Shares of the voting rights of the holders of Shares of that class or with the sanction of a Special Resolution passed at a separate general meeting of the holders of the Shares of that class. To every such separate general meeting the provisions of these Articles relating to general meetings shall mutatis mutandis apply, provided that:
 - (i) the necessary quorum (other than at an adjourned meeting) shall be not less than—two persons holding (or, in the case of a Shareholder being a corporation, by its duly authorised representative) or representing by proxy one-third in nominal value—of the issued Shares of that class. In the event of any adjourned meeting as a result of a lack of quorum, two Shareholders present in person (or in the case of the Shareholder being a corporation, by its duly authorised representative) or by proxy (whatever the number of Shares held by them) shall be a quorum; and
 - (ii) any holder of Shares of the class present in person (or in the case of the Shareholder being a corporation, by its duly authorised representative) or by proxy may demand a poll.
- 2. Amend the following clause in the Articles of Association:
 - 17(d). The Register may by notice to Shareholders be closed at such time or for such period not exceeding in the whole 30 days in each year as the Board may determine, which may be extended for no more than 30 days in respect of any year by an Ordinary Resolution of the Shareholders passed in that year (or such longer period as the members of the Company may by Ordinary Resolution determine, provided that such period shall not be extended beyond 60 days in any year).

- 3. Insert the following new clauses to the Articles of Association:
 - 17(e). The notice mentioned above in Article 17(d) shall be given:
 - (i) in accordance with the GEM Listing Rules; or
 - (ii) by advertisement in a newspaper circulating generally in Hong Kong.
 - 17(f). The Company shall, on demand, provide any person who is entitled to inspect the Register seeking to inspect a Register or part of a Register that is closed under this Articles with a certificate signed by the Company Secretary of the Company stating the period for which, and by whose authority, it is closed.
- 4. Amend the following clause in the Articles of Association:
 - 62. At all times during the Relevant Period other than the year of the Company's adoption of these Articles, the Company shall in each <u>financial</u> year hold a general meeting as its annual general meeting in addition to any other meeting in that year and shall specify the meeting as such in the notice calling it; and <u>such</u> annual general meeting shall be held within six months after the end of its previous financial yearnot more than 15 Months (or such longer period as may be authorised by the HK Stock Exchange) shall elapse between the date of one annual general meeting of the Company and that of the next. The annual general meeting shall be held in the Relevant Territory or elsewhere as may be determined by the Board and at such time and place as the Board shall appoint. A meeting of the Shareholders or any class thereof may be held by means of such telephone, electronic or other communication facilities as permit all persons participating in the meeting to communicate with each other simultaneously and instantaneously, and participation in such a meeting shall constitute presence at such meetings.
- 5. Insert the following new clause to the Articles of Association:
 - 63A. Any Shareholder who is entitled to attend the general meeting shall have the right to (a) speak at the general meeting; and (b) vote at a general meeting except where a Shareholder is required by the GEM Listing Rules to abstain from voting to approve the matter under consideration, and subject to Article 80 below.

- 6. Amend the following clause in the Articles of Association:
 - 64. The Board may, whenever it thinks fit, convene an extraordinary general meeting. Extraordinary general meetings shall also be convened on the requisition of one or more Shareholders holding, as at the date of deposit of the requisition, not less than one-tenth of the voting rights at general meetings on a one vote per Share basis in the share capital of the Company paid up capital of the Company having the right of voting at general meetings. Such requisition shall be made in writing to the Board or the Secretary for the purpose of requiring an extraordinary general meeting to be called by the Board for the transaction of any business specified in such requisition. Such meeting shall be held within two Months after the deposit of such requisition. If within 21 days of such deposit, the Board fails to proceed to convene such meeting, the requisitionist(s) himself (themselves) may do so in the same manner, and all reasonable expenses incurred by the requisitionist(s) by the Company.
- 7. Insert the following new clause to the Articles of Association:
 - 64A. Any one or more Shareholders holding, at the date of deposit of the requisition, not less than one tenth of the voting rights on a one vote per Share basis in the share capital of the Company shall have the right to, upon reasonable notice, raise requisition to the Board for adding resolutions to the meeting agenda of a general meeting.
- 8. Amend the following clause in the Articles of Association:
 - 65. An annual general meeting of the Company shall be called by at least 21 days' (and not less than 20 clear business days') notice in writing, and a general meeting of the Company, other than an annual general meeting, shall be called by at least 14 days' (and not less than 10 clear business days') notice in writing. The notice shall be exclusive of the day on which it is served or deemed to be served and of the day for which it is given, and shall specify the place, the day, the hour and the agenda of the meeting and particulars of the resolutions to be considered at that meeting and in case of special business (as defined in Article 67), the general nature of that business, and shall be given, in manner hereinafter mentioned or in such other manner, if any, as may be prescribed by the Company in general meeting, to such persons as are, under these Articles, entitled to receive such notices from the Company, provided that a meeting of the Company shall notwithstanding that it is called by shorter notice than that specified in this Article be deemed to have been duly called if it is so agreed:

- (a) in the case of a meeting called as the annual general meeting, by all the Shareholders entitled to attend and vote thereat; and
- (b) in the case of any other meeting, by a majority in number of the Shareholders having a right to attend and vote at the meeting, being a majority together holding not less than 95 per cent of the total voting rights at the meeting of all members of the Company.
- 9. Amend the following clause in the Articles of Association:
 - 93(b). Where a Shareholder is a Clearing House (or its nominee(s)), it may (subject to Article 94) appoint proxies or authorise such person or persons as it thinks fit to act as its representative or representatives, who enjoy rights equivalent to the rights of other Shareholder, at any meeting of the Company (including but not limited to any general meeting, creditors meeting) or at any meeting of any class of Shareholders, provided that if more than one person is so authorised, the authorisation shall specify the number and class of Shares in respect of which each such representative or proxy is so authorised. A person so authorised pursuant to the provisions of this Article shall be deemed to have been duly authorised without further evidence of the facts and be entitled to exercise the same rights and powers on behalf of the Clearing House (or its nominee(s)) which he represents as that Clearing House (or its nominee(s)) could exercise as if such person were an individual Shareholder, including the right to speak and the right to vote, and where a show of hand is allowed, the right to vote individually on a show of hands.
- 10. Amend the following clause in the Articles of Association:
 - 113. The Board shall have power from time to time and at any time to appoint any person as a Director either to fill a casual vacancy or as an additional Director, provided that the number of Directors so appointed shall not exceed the maximum number determined from time to time by the Shareholders in general meeting. Any Director appointed by the Board to fill a casual vacancy shall hold office only until the first annual general meeting of the Company after his appointment and be subject to re-election at such meeting. Any Director appointed by the Board as an addition to the existing Board shall hold office only until the next following annual general meeting of the Company after his appointment and shall then be eligible for re-election. Any Director appointed under this Article shall not be taken into account in determining the Directors or the number of Directors who are to retire by rotation at an annual general meeting.

- 11. Amend the following clauses in the Articles of Association:
 - 177(a). The Company shall at each annual general meeting, by Ordinary Resolution, appoint one or more firms of auditors to hold office until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting on such terms and with such duties as may be agreed with the Board, but if an appointment is not made, the Auditors in office shall continue in office until a successor is appointed. A Director, officer or employee of any such Director, officer or employee shall not be appointed Auditors of the Company. The Board may fill any casual vacancy in the office of Auditors, but while any such vacancy continues the surviving or continuing Auditors (if any) may act. The remuneration of the Auditors shall be fixed by or on the authority of the Company in the annual general meeting by Ordinary Resolution except that in any particular year the Company in general meeting may delegate the fixing of such remuneration to the Board and the remuneration of any Auditors appointed to fill any casual vacancy may be fixed by the Board.
 - 177(b). The Shareholders may, at any general meeting convened and held in accordance with these Articles, remove the Auditors by Special-Ordinary Resolution at any time before the expiration of the term of office and shall, by Ordinary Resolution, at that meeting appoint new auditors in its place for the remainder of the term and fix the new auditor's remuneration or delegate the fixing of such remuneration to the Board.
- 12. Insert the following new clause to the Articles of Association:
 - 198. Unless otherwise determined by the Directors, the financial year end of the Company shall be 31 March in each year.
- 13. Replace all references to "Companies Law" to "Companies Act" in the Memorandum and Articles of Association.



(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 8341)

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of Aeso Holding Limited (the "**Company**") will be held on Thursday, 28 September 2023 at 4:00 p.m. at Portion 2, 12/F, the Center, 99 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong for the following purposes:

- To receive, consider and adopt the audited Financial Statements of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2023 and the Reports of the Directors and the Auditors thereon:
- 2. To re-appoint McMillan Woods (Hong Kong) CPA Limited as auditor of the Company and to authorise the board of directors (the "Board" or "Directors") of the Company to fix their remuneration.
- 3. To re-elect Mr. Cheung Hiu Tung as an executive Director.
- 4. To re-elect Ms. Lai Wing Sze as an independent non-executive Director.
- 5. To authorise the Board to fix the Directors' remuneration.

As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without modifications, the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions:

ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

6(A). "**THAT:**

(i) subject to paragraph (iii), the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional ordinary shares of US\$0.01 each in the capital of the Company ("Shares") and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such powers be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;

- (ii) the approval in paragraph (i) shall authorise the Directors during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such powers after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (iii) the aggregate nominal amount of Shares allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted, whether pursuant to an option or otherwise, by the Directors pursuant to the approval in paragraph (i), otherwise than pursuant to:
 - (a) a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined); or
 - (b) the exercise of rights of subscription or conversion under the terms of any warrants issued by the Company or any securities which are convertible into Shares; or
 - (c) an issue of Shares upon the exercise of subscription rights under any option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to officers and/or employees and/or business associates of the Company or any subsidiaries and/or any other persons of Shares or rights to acquire Shares.

shall not exceed 20% of the aggregate nominal amount of the existing share capital of the Company in issue as at the date hereof and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and

(iv) for the purpose of this resolution:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of the resolution until whichever is the earlier of:

- (a) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company; or
- (b) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by law or the Company's Articles to be held; or
- (c) the revocation or variation of this resolution by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting.

"Rights Issue" means an offer of Shares open for a period fixed by the Directors to holders of ordinary shares on the register of members of the Company on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such Shares, subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of, any recognized regulatory body or any stock exchange in any relevant jurisdiction."

6(B). "THAT:

- (i) the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period of all powers of the Company to repurchase its Shares on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange"), subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and requirements of the Stock Exchange as amended from time to time be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (ii) the aggregate nominal amount of securities of the Company repurchased by the Company pursuant to paragraph (i) during the Relevant Period, shall be no more than 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of existing issued share capital of the Company as at the date of passing of this resolution and the authority pursuant to paragraph (i) shall be limited accordingly; and
- (iii) for the purpose of this resolution, "**Relevant Period**" means the period from the date of passing of this resolution until whichever is the earlier of:
 - (a) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company; or
 - (b) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by law or the Company's Articles to be held; or
 - (c) the revocation or variation of this resolution by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting."

6(C). "THAT conditional upon the resolutions set out in paragraphs 6(A) and 6(B) contained in the notice convening the meeting of which this resolution forms part (the "Notice") being passed, the aggregate nominal amount of Shares repurchased by the Company after the date of passing this resolution (up to a maximum of 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of this resolution) shall be added to the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital that may be allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) by the directors of the Company pursuant to the resolution set out in paragraph 6(A) contained in the Notice."

As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without modifications, the following resolution as a special resolution:

SPECIAL RESOLUTION

7. "THAT the proposed amendments to the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company as set out in Appendix III to this circular of the Company dated 28 August 2023 be and are hereby approved and adopted."

By Order of the Board

Aeso Holding Limited

Chan Siu Chung

Executive Director and Chairman

Hong Kong, 28 August 2023

Head Office and Principal Place of Business in Hong Kong: 18/F, The Pemberton, 22-26 Bonham Strand, Sheung Wan Hong Kong

Notes:

- 1. At the date of this notice, the Board comprises three Executive Directors, namely Mr. Chan Siu Chung (Executive Director and Chairman), Mr. Cheung Hiu Tung and Mr. Zhang Hai Wei and three Independent Non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Yeung Chun Yue, David, Ms. Lai Wing Sze and Ms. Yu Wan Ki.
- 2. In order to be valid, the form of proxy, together with the power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of that power or authority, must be deposited with the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at 17/F, Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding of the Annual General Meeting or any adjournment meeting (as the case may be). A form of proxy for use at the Annual General Meeting is enclosed herewith.
- 3. The instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing under the hand of the appointor or of his attorney authorised in writing, or if the appointor is a corporation, either under seal or under the hand of an officer or attorney duly authorised.
- 4. A member entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting (or at any adjournment thereof) is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend the meeting and vote in his stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- 5. Where there are joint registered holders of any share, any one of such persons may vote at the Annual General Meeting (or at any adjournment thereof), either personally or by proxy, in respect of such share as if he were solely entitled thereto, but if more than one of such joint holders be present the meeting personally or by proxy, that one of the said persons so present whose name stands first on the register in respect of such share shall alone be entitled to vote in respect thereof.
- 6. The register of members of the Company will be closed from Monday, 25 September 2023 to Thursday, 28 September 2023, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of Shares will be registered. In order to be entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting, all properly completed transfer forms accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the branch share registrar and transfer office of the Company in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at 17/F, Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, 22 September 2023.
- 7. At the Annual General Meeting (or at any adjournment thereof), the chairman will put each of the above resolutions to the vote by way of a poll as required under the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on GEM of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. The poll results is expected to be published on the website of the Company at www.aeso.hk and the website of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited at www.hkexnews.hk on 28 September 2023.
- 8. A circular containing the information regarding, *inter alia*, the Directors proposed to be re-elected and the general mandates to issue shares and repurchase shares of the Company has been despatched to the shareholders of the Company.
- 9. The Chinese translation of this notice is for reference only. In case of any inconsistency, the English version shall prevail.