

大众食品控股有限公司

(incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 708)

ANNOUNCEMENT

This announcement is made pursuant to Rule 13.09(2) of the Listing Rules.

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The Board will however continue to closely monitor the situation and make the necessary announcements should there be any developments.

The Board would also like to highlight that as part of the Group's normal course of business, its management constantly monitors reports of viral outbreaks in the PRC. Furthermore, as the Group's production facilities are located all over the PRC, the management is able to quickly respond to such outbreaks if needed, by isolating and quarantining its facility in an affected area, with minimal or no impact on the other remaining facilities.

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It has been come to the attention of the Board that there may be certain other market rumours about the operations and affairs of the Company.

The Board takes a very serious view of any malicious or false rumours about the Company and will be carrying out investigations in relation to such rumours as well as the source of these rumours and will report the matter to the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, the Singapore Exchange Trading Securities Limited and the relevant Commercial Affairs Department for their necessary action.

Hong Kong, 1st June, 2005

* for identification purpose only

As at the date of this announcement, the board of directors of the Company comprises of Mr. Ming Kam Sing, Mr. Zhou Lian Kui and Mr. Zhou Lian Liang being the Executive Directors, and Mr. Chng Hee Kok, Mr. Chan Kin Sang and Dr. Ow Chin Hock being the Independent Non-Executive Directors.

Please also refer to the published version of this announcement in the (China Daily)