### **MEMORANDUM**

### **AND**

### ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

(Inclusive of alterations made up to 26th May, 2006)

**OF** 

# CHINA MERCHANTS HOLDINGS (INTERNATIONAL) COMPANY LIMITED

招商局國際有限公司

Incorporated the 28th day of May, 1991.

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# THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 32) SPECIAL RESOLUTION

**OF** 

### CHINA MERCHANTS HOLDINGS (INTERNATIONAL) COMPANY LIMITED

招商局國際有限公司

PASSED ON THE 26TH DAY OF MAY 2006

At the Annual General Meeting of the above-named Company held at The Ballroom, Level 3, JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong, Pacific Place, 88 Queensway, Hong Kong on Friday, 26 May 2006 at 9:30 a.m., the following resolution was duly passed as a Special Resolution:-

### SPECIAL RESOLUTION

"THAT the Articles of Association of the Company be and is hereby amended by deleting the last sentence of the existing Article 97 and substituting therefor the following sentence:

"Any Director so appointed by the Directors shall hold office only until the next following general meeting of the Company (in the case of filling a casual vacancy) or until the next following annual general meeting of the Company (in the case of an addition to the existing Directors), and shall then be eligible for re-election.""

(Sd.) Fu Yuning

FU YUNING
(Chairman)

# THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 32) SPECIAL RESOLUTION

OF

### CHINA MERCHANTS HOLDINGS (INTERNATIONAL) COMPANY LIMITED

招商局國際有限公司

### PASSED ON THE 10TH DAY OF MAY 2005

At the Annual General Meeting of the above-named Company held at Level 39, Atrium Room, Island Shangri-La, Hong Kong, Pacific Place, Supreme Court Road, Hong Kong on Tuesday, 10 May 2005 at 9:30 a.m., the following resolution was duly passed as a Special Resolution:-

### SPECIAL RESOLUTION

"THAT the Articles of Association of the Company be and are hereby amended in the following manner:-

(a) Article 91

by deleting the existing Article 91 in its entirety and substituting therefor the following new Article:

- 91. Subject to the manner of retirement by rotation of Directors as from time to time prescribed under the Listing Rules, at each annual general meeting one-third of the Directors for the time being (or, if their number is not a multiple of three (3), then the number nearest to but not less than one-third) shall retire from office by rotation provided that every Director (including those appointed for a specific term) shall be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years.
- (b) Article 102

by deleting the last sentence "A managing director and a Director holding any other executive office shall not be subject to retirement by rotation.""

(Sd.) Li Yi

LI Yi

(Chairman of the meeting)

# THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 32) SPECIAL RESOLUTION OF

### CHINA MERCHANTS HOLDINGS (INTERNATIONAL) COMPANY LIMITED

招商局國際有限公司

### PASSED ON THE 8TH DAY OF JUNE 2004

At the Annual General Meeting of the above-named Company held at the Ballroom of JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong, Pacific Place, 88 Queensway, Hong Kong on Tuesday, 8 June 2004 at 9:30 a.m., the following resolution was duly passed as a Special Resolution:-

### SPECIAL RESOLUTION

### "THAT:

(a) the following definition be inserted immediately before the definition of "these Articles" in Article 1(1) of the Company's Articles of Association:

""Associates" has the same meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules;"

(b) the following definition be inserted immediately before the definition of "Office" in Article 1(1) of the Company's Articles of Association:

""Listing Rules" the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange;"

(c) Article 65 of the Company's Articles of Association be deleted and replaced with the following:

"65

Subject to any rights or restrictions attached to any shares and subject to Article 68A, at any general meeting on a show of hands every member who (being an individual) is present in person or by proxy or (being a corporation) is present by proxy or by a duly authorised representative who is not himself a member entitled to vote, shall have one vote, and on a poll every member present in person or by proxy or by a duly authorised representative shall have one vote for every share of which he is the holder which is fully paid-up (but so that no amount paid up or credited as paid up on a share in advance of calls or instalments shall be treated for the purposes of this Article as paid up on the share).";

(d) the following article be inserted immediately after Article 68 of the Company's Articles of Association:

"68A

Where a member is, under the Listing Rules, required to abstain from voting on any resolution or restricted to voting only for or only against any resolution, any votes cast by or on behalf of such member in contravention of such requirement or restriction shall not be counted.";

- (e) Article 94(b) of the Company's Articles of Association be deleted and replaced with the following:
  - "94(b) after the despatch of the notice of the general meeting and at least seven days before the date appointed for holding the meeting, notice executed by a member qualified to vote on the appointment or reappointment has been given to the Company of the intention to propose that person for appointment or reappointment, stating the particulars which would, if he were appointed or reappointed, be required to be included in the Company's register of Directors, together with notice executed by that person of his willingness to be appointed or reappointed.";
- (f) Article 111(1) of the Company's Articles of Association be deleted and replaced by the following:
  - "111(1) Save as otherwise provided by these Articles, a Director shall not vote (nor be counted in the quorum) at a meeting of the Directors on any resolution concerning a matter in which he or any of his Associates has, directly or indirectly, a material interest (other than an interest in shares, debentures or other securities of, or otherwise in, the Company), unless his or his Associates' interest arises only because the case falls within one or more of the following sub-paragraphs:-
    - (a) the giving of any security or indemnity either:-
      - (i) to the Director or his Associate(s) in respect of money lent or obligations incurred or undertaken by him or any of them at the request of or for the benefit of the Company or any of its subsidiaries; or
      - (ii) to a third party in respect of a debt or obligation of the Company or any of its subsidiaries for which the Director or his Associate(s) has himself/themselves assumed responsibility in whole or in part and whether alone or jointly under a guarantee or indemnity or by the giving of security;
    - (b) any proposal concerning an offer of shares or debentures or other securities of or by the Company or any other company which the Company may promote or be interested in for subscription or purchase where the Director or his Associate(s) is/are or is/are to be interested as a participant in the underwriting or sub-underwriting of the offer;
    - (c) any proposal concerning any other company in which the Director or his Associate(s) is/are interested only, whether directly or indirectly, as an officer or executive or shareholder or in which the Director or his Associate(s) is/are beneficially interested in shares of that company, provided that the Director and any of his Associates are not in aggregate beneficially interested in 5% or more of the issued shares of any class of such company (or of any third company through which his interest or that of his Associates is derived) or of the voting rights;

- (d) any proposal or arrangement concerning the benefit of employees of the Company or its subsidiaries including:-
  - (i) the adoption, modification or operation of any employees' share scheme or any share incentive or share option scheme under which the Director or his Associate(s) may benefit; or
  - (ii) the adoption, modification or operation of a pension fund or retirement, death or disability benefits scheme which relates both to Directors, his Associates and employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries and does not provide in respect of any Director, or his Associate(s), as such any privilege or advantage not generally accorded to the class of persons to which such scheme or fund relates; and
- (e) any contract or arrangement in which the Director or his Associate(s) is/are interested in the same manner as other holders of shares or debentures or other securities of the Company by virtue only of his/their interest in shares or debentures or other securities of the Company."

(Sd.) FU Yuning

FU Yuning

(Chairman)

# COMPANIES ORDINANCE (Chapter 32) SPECIAL RESOLUTION

OF

# CHINA MERCHANTS HOLDINGS (INTERNATIONAL) COMPANY LIMITED

PASSED ON 5th June 2002

The following resolution was passed as a SPECIAL RESOLUTION at the Annual General Meeting of the Company held on 5th June 2002 at Level 5, Tianshan Room, Island Shangri-La, Pacific Place, Supreme Court Road, Hong Kong:-

### SPECIAL RESOLUTION

### "THAT:

- (a) Article 1(6) (a) of the Company's Articles of Association be deleted and replaced by the following:
  - "(a) references to writing include references to typewriting, printing, lithography, photography facsimile, telex messages, electronic means of communication and any other modes of representing or reproducing words in a legible and non-transitory form;";
- (b) Article 130 of the Company's Articles of Association be deleted and replaced by the following:
  - "130. A copy of the Directors' and auditors' reports accompanied by copies of the balance sheet and every document required by the Ordinance to be annexed to the balance sheet and profit and loss account or income and expenditure account shall, not less than twenty-one clear days before the annual general meeting before which they are to be laid, be sent to every member and holder of debentures of the Company, and to the auditors; provided that this Article shall be subject to Article 130B and shall not require a copy of those documents to be sent to any person of whose address the Company is not aware, to more than one of the joint holders of any shares or debentures, nor to any person to whom the Company has duly sent a copy of a summary financial report (as defined in the Ordinance) in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance and Article 130A. If all or any of the shares in or debentures of the Company are listed or dealt in on any stock exchange, there shall at the time be forwarded to the secretary of that stock exchange such number of copies of each of those documents as may be required by the regulations of that stock exchange.";

- (c) the following Article 130A be added to the Company's Articles of Association:
  - "130A. Subject to Article 130B, a copy of a summary financial report in the form and containing the contents as required by the Ordinance shall be sent by the Company in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance to a person who has been offered and agreed, in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance, to be sent a copy of such summary financial report.";
- (d) the following Article 130B be added to the Company's Articles of Association:
  - "130B. Where a person has, in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance where applicable, consented to treat the publication or the making available of the relevant financial documents and/or the summary financial report (each as defined in the Ordinance) on a computer network or by such other means as discharging the Company's obligation under the Ordinance to send a copy of the relevant financial documents and/or the summary financial report (each as defined in the Ordinance), then the publication or the making available by the Company, in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance where applicable, on such computer network or by such other means of the relevant financial documents or the summary financial report (each as defined in the Ordinance) shall, in relation to each consenting person, be deemed to discharge the Company's obligations under Article 130 and/or Article 130A.";
- (e) Article 132 of the Company's Articles of Association be deleted and replaced by the following:
  - "132. Any notice, document or communication to be given or issued by the Company shall be in writing in any one or more languages to the members, may be served by the Company upon any member either personally or by sending it by mail, postage prepaid, addressed to such member at his registered address or leaving it at that address, and in any case where the registered address of a member is outside Hong Kong, by prepaid airmail, or may be delivered, sent or otherwise made available using electronic or other means to such member. In the case of joint holders of a share, all notices shall be given to the joint holder whose name stands first in the register of members in respect of the joint holding and notice so given shall be sufficient notice to all the joint holders. A member whose registered address is not within Hong Kong may either give to the Company an address within Hong Kong or an address outside Hong Kong and notices may be sent to him at either address.";
- (f) Article 135 of the Company's Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety;
- (g) Article 136 of the Company's Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety and replaced by the following:
  - "136. Subject to these Articles and any restriction under the Ordinance or any rule of the Stock Exchange, any notice to be given by the Company to the members or any of them shall be sufficiently given if Published in the Newspapers.";
- (h) the following Article 137A be added to the Company's Articles of Association:
  - "137A. A notice sent by way of electronic means shall be deemed to have been given at the time when the notice was either sent as an electronic mail or posted on the official website of the Company.";

- (i) Article 138 of the Company's Articles of Association be deleted and replaced by the following:
  - "138. Any notice, document or communication delivered or sent by mail to, or left at the registered address of or made available using electronic or other means to any member, in pursuance of these Articles, shall, notwithstanding such member be then deceased or bankrupt, and whether or not the Company have notice of his decease or bankruptcy, be deemed to have been duly served in respect of any shares held by such member, whether held solely or jointly with other persons by such member, until some other person be registered in his stead as the holder or joint holder thereof, and such service shall for all purposes of these Articles be deemed a sufficient service of such notice, document or communication on his executors, administrators or assigns and all persons (if any) jointly interested with him in any such share."

(Sd.) Dr. Fu Yuning

Dr. Fu Yuning Chairman of the Meeting

# THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 32) ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

OF

## CHINA MERCHANTS HOLDINGS (INTERNATIONAL) COMPANY LIMITED

招商局國際有限公司

### PASSED ON THE 25TH DAY OF MAY, 1999

At an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above-named Company held at Jade Ball Room, 3rd Floor, Furama Hotel, 1 Connaught Road Central, Hong Kong on Tuesday, 25th May, 1999 at 9:30 a.m., the following resolutions were duly passed as Ordinary Resolutions:-

#### **ORDINARY RESOLUTION NO. 1**

"THAT the Acquisitions (as defined in the circular to shareholders dated 27th April, 1999 (the "Circular")) pursuant to the Sale and Purchase Agreements (as defined in the Circular, and a copy of each of which has been produced to this meeting marked "A" and "B" respectively and signed by the Chairman hereof for the purpose of identification) be and are hereby approved; and that any one Director of the Company be and is hereby authorised to sign, execute, perfect, deliver and do all such documents, deeds, acts, matters and things as he may in his discretion consider necessary or desirable on behalf of the Company for the purpose of or in connection with the completion of the Acquisitions or the exercise or enforcement of any of the Company's rights under the Sale and Purchase Agreements."

#### ORDINARY RESOLUTION NO. 2

"THAT the Parent Bond Issue (as defined in the Circular) pursuant to the Purchase Agreement (as defined in the Circular, and a copy of which has been produced to this meeting marked "C" and signed by the Chairman hereof for the purpose of identification) be and is hereby approved; and that the Directors be and are hereby authorised to issue shares in the Company pursuant to exercise of conversion rights attached to the Parent Bonds; and that any one Director of the Company be and is hereby authorised to sign, execute, perfect, deliver and do all such documents, deeds, acts, matters and things as he may in his discretion consider necessary or desirable on behalf of the Company for the purpose of or in connection with the completion of the Parent Bond Issue or the exercise or enforcement of any of the Company's rights under the Purchase Agreement."

### **ORDINARY RESOLUTION NO. 3**

"THAT the authorised share capital of the Company be and is hereby increased from HK\$230,000,000 to HK\$300,000,000 by the creation of 700,000,000 new ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each."

### **ORDINARY RESOLUTION NO. 4**

### "THAT:

(a) subject to paragraph (c) and pursuant to Section 57B of the Companies Ordinance, the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares in the capital of the

Company or securities convertible into such shares or options, warrants or similar rights to subscribe for any shares in the Company or convertible securities and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such power be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;

- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) shall be in addition to any other authorisation given to the Directors of the Company and shall authorise the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements and options which would or might require the exercise of such power after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital 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 approval in paragraph (a) of this Resolution during the Relevant Period, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue; (ii) 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 of the Company; (iii) any option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to officers and/or employees of the Company and/or any of its subsidiaries of shares or rights to acquire shares of the Company; or (iv) any scrip dividend or similar arrangement providing for the allotment of shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on shares of the Company in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company, shall not exceed 20 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue and the said approval shall be limited accordingly;
- (d) for the purposes of this Resolution:

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

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Articles of Association of the Company or any applicable law to be held; and
- (iii) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this Resolution by ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting.

"Rights Issue" means an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the Directors of the Company to holders of shares of the Company on the register on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares (subject to such exclusion or other arrangements as the Directors of the Company 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 recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory outside Hong Kong); and

(e) the general mandate given to the Directors of the Company to allot, issue and deal with, conditionally or unconditionally, additional shares in the capital of the Company at the annual general meeting held on 28 May, 1998 be and is hereby revoked with effect from the date of this meeting."

(Sd.) Zhang Dachun

Zhang Dachun

(Chairman)

### THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 32)

### ORDINARY RESOLUTION OF

## CHINA MERCHANTS HOLDINGS (INTERNATIONAL) COMPANY LIMITED

I hereby certify that at the Extraordinary General Meeting (the "Meeting") of China Merchants Holdings (International) Company Limited (the "Company") held on Monday, 29 December 1997 at Taishan Room, 5th Floor, Island Shangri-La Hong Kong, the following resolution was passed:-

"THAT resolution No. 1 as set out in the notice convening the Meeting dated 26 November 1997 be and is hereby passed as an Ordinary Resolution."

I also certify that resolution No. 1 referred to above is as follows in the notice convening the Meeting dated 26 November 1997:-

### **ORDINARY RESOLUTION NO. 1**

"THAT the authorised share capital of the Company be and is hereby increased from HK\$200,000,000 to HK\$230,000,000 by the creation of 300,000,000 new shares of HK\$0.10 each; and THAT the Subscription (as defined in the circular to shareholders dated 26 November 1997 (the "Circular")) pursuant to the Subscription Agreement (as defined in the Circular, a copy of which agreement has been produced to this meeting marked "A" and signed by the Chairman hereof for the purpose of identification) be and is hereby approved and confirmed; and any one Director of the Company be and is hereby authorised to sign, execute, perfect, deliver and do all such documents, deeds, acts, matters and things as he may in his discretion consider necessary or desirable on behalf of the Company for the purpose of or in connection with the implementation of the Subscription including the allotment and issue of new shares in the Company pursuant thereto or the exercise or enforcement of any of the Company's rights thereunder and to make and agree such variations of a non-material nature as he may in his discretion consider to be desirable and in the interest of the Company and the common seal of the Company be affixed to any instrument in the presence of any two Directors of the Company as may be required for the above purposes."

(Sd.) Zhao Qing Sheng

Zhao Qing Sheng Director [COPY]

# COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 32)

香港法例第32章 公司條例

# CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION ON CHANGE OF NAME

公司更改名稱 註冊證書

I hereby certify that 本人謹此證明

### CHINA MERCHANTS HAI HONG HOLDINGS COMPANY LIMITED

招商局海虹集團有限公司

having by special resolution changed its name, is now incorporated under 經 通 過 特 別 決 議 , 已 將 其 名 稱 更 改 , 該 公 司 的 註 册 名 the name of 稱 現 為

# CHINA MERCHANTS HOLDINGS (INTERNATIONAL) COMPANY LIMITED 招商局國際有限公司

Issued by the undersigned on 16 June 1997. 本證書於一九九七年六月十六日簽發。

(Sd.) MISS H. CHANG

for Registrar of Companies Hong Kong 香港公司註冊處處長 (公司註冊主任 張巧雯 代行)

### THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 32)

### ORDINARY RESOLUTION OF

## CHINA MERCHANTS HOLDINGS (INTERNATIONAL) COMPANY LIMITED

I hereby certify that at the Extraordinary General Meeting (the "Meeting") of China Merchants Holdings (International) Company Limited (the "Company") held on Thursday, 29 May 1997 at Taishan Room, 5th Floor, Island Shangri-La Hong Kong, the following resolution was passed:-

"THAT resolution No. 1 as set out in the notice convening the Meeting dated 13 May 1997 be and is hereby passed as an Ordinary Resolution."

I also certify that resolution No. 1 referred to above is as follows in the notice convening the Meeting dated 13 May 1997:-

### **ORDINARY RESOLUTION NO. 1**

"THAT the authorised share capital of the Company be and is hereby increased from HK\$120,000,000 to HK\$200,000,000 by the creation of 800,000,000 new shares of HK\$0.10 each; and THAT the Subscription (as defined in the circular ("Circular") despatched to the shareholders of the Company, and a copy of which has been produced to this meeting marked "A" and signed by the Chairman hereof for the purpose of identification) pursuant to the Subscription Agreement (as defined in the Circular, and a copy of which has been produced to this meeting marked "B" and signed by the Chairman hereof for the purpose of identification) be and is hereby approved and confirmed; and any one Director of the Company be and is hereby authorised to sign, execute, perfect, deliver and do all such documents, deeds, acts, matters and things as he may in his discretion consider necessary or desirable on behalf of the Company for the purpose of or in connection with the implementation of the Subscription including the allotment and issue of new shares in the Company pursuant thereto or the exercise or enforcement of any of the Company's rights thereunder and to make and agree such variations of a non-material nature as he may in his discretion consider to be desirable and in the interests of the Company and any two Directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to sign any instrument to which a seal may be required to be affixed for the above purposes."

(Sd.) Zhao Qing Sheng

Director

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## CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION 公司更改名稱

ON CHANGE OF NAME

註冊證書

I hereby certify that 本人兹證明

### HAI HONG HOLDINGS COMPANY LIMITED

海虹集團有限公司

having by special resolution changed its name, is now incorporated under the name of 經 通 過 特 別 決 議 案 , 已 將 其 名 稱 更 改 , 該 公 司 現 在 之 註 册 名 稱 為

### CHINA MERCHANTS HAI HONG HOLDINGS COMPANY LIMITED

招商局海虹集團有限公司

Given under my hand this Twenty-Eighth day of July One Thousand Nine Hundred 簽署於一九九四年七月二十八日。 and Ninety Four.

(Sd.) MRS. R. CHUN

P. Registrar of Companies Hong Kong 香港公司註冊處處長 (公司註冊主任 泰梁素芳 代行)

### THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 32)

### ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

OF

### HAI HONG HOLDINGS COMPANY LIMITED

(海虹集團有限公司)

### PASSED ON THE 6TH DAY OF JULY 1994

At the Extraordinary General Meeting of the above-named company held at Victoria Ballroom III, 3rd Floor, Hotel Victoria, 200 Connaught Road Central, Hong Kong at 10:00 a.m. on 6th July 1994, Ordinary Resolution No.1 to 5 (as appeared in the Notice convening the said meeting) below were duly passed:

#### ORDINARY RESOLUTION NO.1

"THAT the Acquisitions (as defined in the circular ("Circular") dated 20th June 1994 and despatched to shareholders of the Company, a copy of which has been produced to this meeting marked "A" and signed by the Chairman hereof for the purpose of identification) pursuant to the Agreements (also as defined in the Circular, a copy of each of which has been produced to this meeting marked "B" and "C" respectively and signed by the Chairman hereof for the purpose of identification), be and are hereby approved and confirmed; and the Placing and the Subscription pursuant to the Placing and Subscription Agreement (as defined in the Circular, a copy of which has been produced to this meeting marked "D" and signed by the Chairman hereof for the purpose of identification) be and is hereby approved and confirmed; and any one director of the Company be and is hereby authorised on behalf of the Company to sign, execute, perfect, deliver and do all such documents, deeds, acts, matters and things as he may in his discretion consider necessary or desirable for the purpose of or in connection with the implementation of the Acquisitions, the Placing and the Subscription including the allotment and issue of new shares in the Company pursuant thereto or the exercise or enforcement of any of the Company's rights thereunder and to make and agree such variations of a non-material nature in the terms of the same as he may in his discretion consider to be desirable and in the interests of the Company and any two directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to sign autographically any instrument to which a seal may be required to be affixed for the above purposes."

### **ORDINARY RESOLUTION NO.2**

"THAT conditional upon completion of the Agreements (save as regards any matter which is dependent upon this resolution), the authorised share capital of the Company be and is hereby increased from HK\$50,000,000 to HK\$120,000,000 by the creation of 700,000,000 new shares of HK\$0.10 each."

### **ORDINARY RESOLUTION NO.3**

"THAT conditional upon completion of the Agreements:

(a) subject to paragraph (c) below, the exercise by the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with the shares in the capital of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such power be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;

- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) above shall be in addition to any other authorisation given to the directors of the Company and shall authorise the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such power after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted by the directors of the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined); (ii) 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 of the Company; (iii) any option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to officers and/or employees of the Company and/or any of its subsidiaries of shares or rights to acquire shares of the Company; or (iv) any scrip dividend or similar arrangement providing for the allotment of shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on shares of the Company in accordance with the Articles of Association of the company, shall not exceed 20% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company existing immediately following the issue of new shares under the Placing and Subscription Agreement described in Ordinary Resolution No.l above.
- (d) for the purpose of this Resolution:

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

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this Resolution by ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting; and
- (iii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Articles of Association of the Company or any applicable laws to be held; and

"Right Issue" means an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the directors of the Company to holders of shares on the register on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares (subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the directors of the Company 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 recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory outside Hong Kong)."

### **ORDINARY RESOLUTION NO.4**

"THAT conditional upon completion of the Agreements:

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) below, the exercise by the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to repurchase its own shares and warrants on the Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange on which the securities of the Company may be listed and recognised by the Securities and Futures Commission and the Stock Exchange for this purpose, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and the requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange or of any other stock exchange as amended from time to time, be and is hereby approved;
- (b) the aggregate nominal amount of shares of the Company which may be repurchased by the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above during the Relevant

Period shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue immediately following the issue of new shares under the Placing and Subscription Agreement described in Ordinary Resolution No.1 above and the aggregate number of warrants which may be repurchased pursuant to such approval shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate amount of warrants of the Company outstanding on the date of passing of this Resolution and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and

(c) for the purpose of this Resolution:

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

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this Resolution by ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting; and
- (iii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Articles of Association of the Company or any applicable laws to be held."

### **ORDINARY RESOLUTION NO.5**

"THAT conditional upon Ordinary Resolutions No.3 and No.4 being passed and becoming effective, the aggregate nominal amount of the number of shares in the capital of the Company which are repurchased by the Company under the authority granted to the directors as mentioned in Ordinary Resolution No.4 shall be added to the aggregate nominal amount of share capital that may be allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted by the directors of the Company pursuant to Ordinary Resolution No.3, provided that the amount of share capital repurchased by the Company shall not exceed 10% of the total nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue immediately following the issue of new shares under the Placing and Subscription Agreement described in Ordinary Resolution No.1 above."

(Sd.) Jiang Bo	
Chairman	

### THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 32)

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

OF

### HAI HONG HOLDINGS COMPANY LIMITED

(海虹集團有限公司)

Passed on the 28th June, 1994

assed on the 20th June, 1999

At the Annual General Meeting of shareholders of the Company duly convened and held at Victoria Ballroom I, 3/F, Hotel Victoria, 200 Connaught Road, Central, Hong Kong at 10:00 a.m. on 28th June, 1994, the Special Resolutions (as appeared in the Notice convening the said meeting) below were duly passed:

- (1) "THAT the Articles of Association of the Company be amended in the following manner:
  - (a) the existing Article 37 be deleted in its entirety and substituted by the word "Deleted".
  - (b) the existing Article 65 be deleted in its entirety and substituted by the following new Article 65:

'Subject to any rights or restrictions attached to any shares, at any general meeting on a show of hands every member who (being an individual) is present in person or by proxy or (being a corporation) is present by proxy or by a duly authorised representative who is not himself a member entitled to vote, shall have one vote, and on a poll every member present in person or by proxy or by a duly authorised representative shall have one vote for every share of which he is the holder which is fully paid-up (but so that no amount paid up or credited as paid up on a share in advance of calls or instalments shall be treated for the purposes of this Article as paid up on the share).'."

(2) "THAT the name of the Company be changed from 'Hai Hong Holdings Company Limited 海虹集團有限公司' to 'China Merchants Hai Hong Holdings Company Limited 招商局海虹集團有限公司'."

(Sd.) Jiang Bo

Chairman

### THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 32)

SPECIAL AND ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

### HAI HONG HOLDINGS COMPANY LIMITED

(海虹集團有限公司)

Passed on the 26th day of June, 1992

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At an Extraordinary General Meeting of shareholders of the Company duly convened and held at 15th Floor, Three Exchange Square, Central, Hong Kong on Friday, the 26th day of June, 1992 at 10:35 a.m., the following resolutions were duly passed as Special and Ordinary Resolutions of the Company:-

### SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

- (1) "THAT the Company be converted into a public company."
- (2) "THAT the Articles of Association, a copy of which was tabled at the meeting marked "A" and signed by the Chairman for the purpose of identification, be and are hereby adopted as the new Articles of Association of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of the existing Articles of Association."

### ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

- (3) "THAT in accordance with Article 46 (b) of the existing Articles of Association of the Company the existing 7,500 issued shares of \$1.00 each and the existing 2,500 unissued shares of \$1.00 each in the share capital of the Company be and are hereby subdivided into 100,000 shares of \$0.10 each."
- (4) "THAT conditional on the Listing Committee of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("the Stock Exchange") granting listing of and permission to deal in the shares of HK\$0.10 each of the Company ("Shares") in issue, and the Shares to be issued as mentioned in the prospectus of the Company intended to be dated and issued generally on the 30th day of June, 1992 (the "Prospectus"), a printed proof of which was tabled at the meeting marked "B" and signed by the Chairman for the purpose of identification, (and such listing and permission not being revoked prior to the despatch of the definitive share certificates) and agreeing to grant listing of and permission to deal in any Shares which may fall to be issued upon the exercise of the subscription rights attaching to the Warrants (as hereinafter defined) and on the obligations of Peregrine Capital Limited, China Development Finance Co., (H.K.) Ltd., U.B. Securities Limited and Paribas Asia Limited under an underwriting agreement to be made with the Company, referred to in Appendix VII of the Prospectus, a

draft of which was tabled at the meeting marked "C" and signed by the Chairman for the purpose of identification, being unconditional and not being terminated in accordance with the terms thereof or otherwise, in each case on or before 30th July, 1992:-

- 4.1 the authorised share capital of the Company be and is increased from \$10,000.00 to \$50,000,000.00 by the creation of an additional 499,900,000 Shares ranking pari passu with the existing issued and unissued Shares in all respects;
- 4.2 the proposed offer by the Company for subscription of 61,250,000 new Shares (the "New Issue") at a price of \$1.50 per Share upon the terms as set out in the Prospectus be and is hereby approved and the directors of the Company be and they are hereby unconditionally authorised to effect the same and to allot and issue the new Shares pursuant thereto;
- 4.3 the creation of warrants conferring rights to subscribe up to \$88,200,000.00 in cash for shares at an initial subscription price of \$1.80 per Share (subject to adjustment) at any time between 15th July, 1992 and 30th June, 1994 both dates inclusive as set out in an instrument by way of deed poll constituting the warrants (the "Warrants") in the document marked "D" now produced to the meeting and signed by the Chairman for the purpose of identification be and is hereby approved and that any two of the directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to execute the same under the Common Seal of the Company and that the directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to issue the Warrants to holders of Shares on the register of members after completion of the New Issue and the capitalisation issue referred to in Resolution (5) in the proportion of one Warrant for every five shares then held and to allot and issue any Shares which may fall to be issued on the exercise of the subscription rights attaching to the Warrants; and
- 4.4 conditionally on the Listing Committee of the Stock Exchange granting listing of and permission to deal in the shares to be issued pursuant to the share option scheme (the "Share Option Scheme") for directors and employees of the Company and its subsidiaries (a copy of which has been submitted to the meeting marked "E" and signed by the Chairman for the purpose of identification), the Share Option Scheme be and is hereby approved and that the directors of the Company be and they are hereby authorised to implement the same and to issue and allot Shares to directors and employees pursuant thereto."
- (5) 5.1 "THAT subject to and conditional upon the share premium account of the Company being credited as a result of the New Issue, the directors be and are hereby authorised to allot and issue a total of 183,675,000 Shares credited as fully paid up at par to the holders of shares on the register of members of the Company in proportion as nearly as may be to their respective shareholdings as at the close of business on 26th June, 1992 (or as they may direct) by way of capitalisation of the sum of \$18,367,500.00 standing to the credit of the share premium account of the Company."
- (6) 6.1 "THAT subject to paragraph 6.3 and pursuant to section 57B of the Companies Ordinance, the exercise by the directors during the Relevant Period (as defined in paragraph 6.4 below) of all powers of the Company to allot shares and to make and grant offers, agreements and options which would or might require shares to be allotted be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;

- 6.2 the approval mentioned in paragraph 6.1 shall authorise the directors during the Relevant Period to make and grant offers, agreements and options which would or might require shares to be allotted after the end of the Relevant Period;
- 6.3 the aggregate nominal amount of share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) by the directors pursuant to the approval mentioned in paragraph 6.1, otherwise than pursuant to shares issued as a result of a Rights Issue or pursuant to the exercise of options granted under the Share Option Scheme or of subscription rights attaching to the Warrants, shall not exceed 20 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the enlarged issued share capital of the Company in issue and to be issued as mentioned in the Prospectus and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- 6.4 for the purposes of this Resolution (6):-

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earlier of:-

- (a) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (b) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this resolution by ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting; or
- (c) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Articles of Association of the Company or any applicable law of Hong Kong to be held.

"Rights Issue" means an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the directors to holders of shares on the register 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 legal or practical problems under the laws of, or the requirements of any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory outside Hong Kong)."

- (7) 7.1 "THAT the exercise by the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period of all the powers of the Company to purchase Shares and Warrants, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
  - 7.2 the aggregate nominal amount of Shares to be purchased by the Company pursuant to the approval mentioned in paragraph 7.1 shall not exceed 10 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue at the date of this resolution and as enlarged by (i) the New Issue and (ii) the capitalisation issues mentioned in paragraphs 4.4 and (5) and the maximum number of Warrants that may be repurchased pursuant to the approval mentioned in paragraph 7.1 above shall not exceed 10 per cent of the Warrants in issue immediately following the issue of the Warrants on the terms and conditions of the Prospectus and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and

7.3 for the purpose of this Resolution (7):-

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earlier of:-

- (a) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (b) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this Resolution by ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting; or
- (c) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Articles of Associations of the Company or any applicable law of Hong Kong to be held; and
- 7.4 the authority granted to the directors of the Company under Resolution (6) be and is hereby enlarged by the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company purchased pursuant to the authority granted under this Resolution (7) at any time between the passing of this Resolution (7) and the exercise of the powers granted under Resolution (6)."

(Sd.) Chan Wei Wah

Chairman

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### CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

公司更改名稱

### ON CHANGE OF NAME

註冊證書

I hereby certify that 本人兹證明

### ATTINGTON INVESTMENT LIMITED

having by special resolution changed its name, is now incorporated under the name of 經 通 号 別 決 議 , 已 將 其 名 稱 更 改 , 該 公 司 現 在 之 註 册 名 稱 為

### HAI HONG HOLDINGS COMPANY LIMITED

海虹集團有限公司

Given under my hand this Twenty-fifth day of February One Thousand Nine Hundred 簽署於一九九二年二月二十五日。 and Ninety-two.

(Sd.) Mrs. V. Yam

P. Registrar General (Registrar of Companies) Hong Kong 香港註冊總署署長暨公司註冊官 (註冊主任 任李韻文 代行)

### [COPY]

### CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

公司註冊證書

### I HEREBY CERTIFY that

本人兹證明

### ATTINGTON INVESTMENT LIMITED

is this day incorporated in Hong Kong under the Companies Ordinance, and 於 本 日 在 香 港 依 據 公 司 條 例 註 册 成 為 that this company is limited. 有 限 公 司 。

GIVEN under my hand this Twenty-eighth day of May, One Thousand Nine § 署於一九九一年五月二十八日。 Hundred and Ninety-one.

(Sd.) Mrs. V. Yam
p. Registrar General
(Registrar of Companies)
Hong Kong
香港註冊總署署長暨公司註冊官
(註冊主任 任李韻文 代行)

### THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE

### COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES

### MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

OF

## CHINA MERCHANTS HOLDINGS (INTERNATIONAL) COMPANY LIMITED

招商局國際有限公司

- \*1. The name of the Company is "CHINA MERCHANTS HOLDINGS (INTERNATIONAL) COMPANY LIMITED 招商局國際有限公司".
- 2. The registered office of the Company will be situate in Hong Kong.
- 3. The objects for which the Company is established are:-
  - (1) To carry on all or any of the businesses of general merchants, traders, commission agents, importers, exporters, shippers and ship-owners, refrigerators, charterers, forwarding agents, sales agents, and sub-agents for manufacturers, agents and sub-agents for carriers, brokers and agents for brokers, purchasing agents, wharfingers, warehousemen, furnishers, tourist and travel agents, auctioneers, appraisers, valuers, surveyors, del credere agents, personal and promotional representatives, factors, shop-keepers, antique dealers, stevedores, packers, storers, fishermen and trawlers, saddlers, builders, contractors, metallurgists, and undertakers of all kinds of works, enterprises or projects whatsoever.
  - (2) To import, export, buy, prepare, treat, manufacture, render marketable, sell, exchange, barter, pledge, charge, make advances on and otherwise deal in or turn to account produce, goods, materials, commodities, and merchandise generally in their prepared, manufactured or raw state and to undertake, carry on and execute all kinds of financial, commercial, trading, engineering and other manufacturing operations and all businesses wholesale or retail.
  - (3) To carry on business as financiers, capitalists, financial agents, underwriters (but not in respect of life, marine or fire insurance), concessionaires, brokers and merchants and to undertake and carry on and execute all kinds of financial, commercial, trading and other operations. To carry on all or any of the activities of stockbrokers and dealers in mutual funds and investments of all kinds.
  - (4) To subscribe for, conditionally or unconditionally to underwrite, issue on commission or otherwise, take, hold, deal in, and, convert stocks, shares, and securities of all kinds.
  - \* Pursuant to a Special Resolution passed on 13th February, 1992, the name of the Company was changed to Hai Hong Holdings Company Limited 海虹集團有限公司 on 25th February, 1992

Pursuant to a Special Resolution passed on 28th June, 1994, the name of the Company was changed to China Merchants Hai Hong Holdings Company Limited 招商局海虹集團有限公司 on 28th July, 1994.

Pursuant to a Special Resolution passed on 29th May, 1997, the name of the Company was changed to China Merchants Holdings (International) Company Limited 招商局國際有限公司 on 16th June, 1997.

- (5) To carry on the business of an investment and holding company and for that purpose to acquire and hold, either in the name of the Company or that of any nominee and to use, sell, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, or otherwise deal with or dispose of shares, stocks, bonds, debentures, debenture stocks, notes, obligations and securities issued or guaranteed by any person or company, and to acquire and hold as aforesaid property of any other kind.
- (6) To carry on the business of an Investment Trust Company or any part or parts of the business usually carried on by such company.
- (7) To borrow or raise money with or without security or secure the payment of money by way of mortgage or in such other manner as the Company shall think fit and in particular by the issue of debentures or debenture stock, perpetual or otherwise, charged upon all or any of the Company's properties (both present and future) including its uncalled capital and to redeem or pay off any such securities and to borrow money on any terms and conditions upon the security of mortgages or pledges of or upon all or any part of the property of the Company or upon any calls on members made or to be made or without any such mortgage or pledge and to borrow or receive on deposit at interest or otherwise money, stock, funds, shares, securities or other properties and also by similar mortgage, charge, debenture or lien to secure and guarantee the performance by the Company or any other person or company of any obligation undertaken by the Company or any other person or company as the case may be.
- (8) To vest any real or personal property, rights or interest acquired by or belonging to the Company in any person or company on behalf of or for the benefit of the Company, and with or without any declared trust in favour of the Company.
- (9) To acquire by purchase, lease, exchange or otherwise and sell land, buildings and hereditaments of any tenure or description and any estate or interest therein and any rights over or connected with land and to develop and to turn the same and/or any other property in which the Company may be interested to account as may seem expedient or to contribute to, subsidize or otherwise assist or take part in developing and turning to account any property and develop and turn to account the resources of any property, whether belonging to the Company or not, and in particular, but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, by laying out and preparing the same for afforestation and for building purposes, constructing, altering, pulling down, decorating, maintaining, furnishing, improving and managing buildings of all kinds, roads, harbours, bridges, reservoirs, water courses, ways, plantations, fortifications, hydraulic-works, mills, smelting works, factories, furnaces, viaducts and other works, enterprises and projects of all descriptions and by leasing or otherwise dealing with the same and by advancing money to and entering into contracts and agreements of all kinds with builders, contractors, tenants and others.
- (10) To sell, let on lease, exchange, deal with or otherwise dispose of all the property of the Company or any part thereof or its rights, interests and privileges for such consideration as the Company may think fit and in particular for shares, debentures or securities of any other company.
- (11) To acquire and undertake the whole or any part of the business, goodwill and assets of any person, firm or company carrying on or proposing to carry on any of the businesses which the Company is authorised to carry on and as part of the consideration for such acquisition to undertake all or any of the liabilities of such person, firm or company or to acquire an interest in, amalgamate with or enter into partnership or into any arrangement for sharing profits or for co-operation or for limiting competition or for mutual assistance with any such person, firm or company and to give or accept by way of consideration for any of the acts or things aforesaid or property acquired, any shares, debentures, debenture stock or securities that may be agreed upon and to hold and retain or sell, mortgage and deal with any shares, debentures, debenture stock or securities so received.

- (12) To advertise, market and sell the products of the Company and of any other person and to carry on the business of advertisers or advertising agents or of a marketing and selling organization.
- (13) To carry on business as proprietors and/or managers of hotels, motels, inns, lodging-houses, apartment houses, restaurants, refreshment and tea rooms, cafes and milk and snack bars, nightclubs and clubs of all kinds, tavern, beer-house and lodging-house keepers, licensed victuallers, wine, beer and spirit merchants, brewers, maltsters, distillers, importers and manufacturers of aerated, mineral and artificial waters and other drinks, and as caterers and contractors in all their respective branches and as managers and/or proprietors of theatres, cinemas, dance-halls, concert halls, stadiums, billiard rooms, bowling centres and all places of entertainment and radio and television stations and studios.
- (14) To carry on all or any of the businesses whether together or separately of proprietors, promoters, producers, organizers, and managers of all kinds of public entertainments, sports, recreation, competitions, and amusements whether indoor or outdoor and in connection therewith to purchase, lease, hire, construct, provide, operate, equip, furnish and fit out any necessary or convenient land, buildings, facilities, structures, apparatus, and equipment.
- (15) To provide or procure the provision by others of every and any service, need, want or requirement of any business nature required by any person, firm or company in or in connection with any business carried on by them.
- (16) To carry on the business of manufacturers, producers, refiners, developers, and dealers in all kinds of materials, chemicals, substances, commodities, and products whether synthetic, natural, or artificial, including in particular but without limitation to the foregoing, plastics, resins, textiles, fabrics, fibres, feather goods, leather, hair, rubber, balata and goods and articles made from the same and compounds, intermediates, derivatives, and by-products thereof, whether for wearing attire, or personal or household use or ornament.
- (17) To carry on business as timber merchants, sawmill proprietors, coopers, cask markers, joiners, carpenters, cabinet makers, and to buy, sell, prepare for market, import, export, and deal in timber and wood of all kinds, and to manufacture and deal in articles of all kinds in the manufacture of which timber or wood is used.
- (18) To carry on business as drapers and hosiers, fashion artists, dressagents, tailors, dressmakers, clothiers, milliners, spinners, weavers, hatters, glovers, boot and shoe manufacturers, embroiderers, hemstitchers, plaiters, pleaters, knitters, lacemakers, costumiers, furriers, pelmet makers, stencillers, painters, dyers, cleaners, washers, renovators, men's, women's and children's and school outfitters, naval, military, colonial, tropical and general outfitters, engineers, electricians, wood and metal workers, tanners, rope manufacturers, iron-mongers, and hardware dealers, goldsmiths, silversmiths, watchmakers, and jewellers, fancy goods dealers, depository and repository proprietors, proprietors of transportation services for passengers, animals, mails, and goods by air, sea, inland waterways and land, upholsterers, furniture dealers, money-changers and any other business which may seem to the Company capable of being carried on in connection with the above and calculated directly or indirectly to enhance the value or render profitable any of the Company's property or rights.
- (19) To carry on business as general chemists and druggists and to buy, sell, import, export, refine, prepare and otherwise deal in all kinds of pharmaceutical, medicinal, and chemical preparations, articles and compounds (whether of animal, vegetable or mineral origin) toilet requisites, cosmetics, paints, pigments, oils and oleangious and saponaceous substances, perfumes and all kinds of unguents and ingredients.
- (20) To establish, maintain, and operate sea, air, and land transport enterprises (public and private) and all ancillary services and, for these purposes or as independent undertakings,

to purchase, take in exchange, charter, hire, build, construct, own, work, manage, and otherwise trade with any kind of ship, vessel, aircraft, flying machine, vehicle, cycle, coach, wagon, or carriage (however powered), with all necessary and convenient equipment, engines, tackle, gear, furniture, fittings and stores or any shares or interests in ships, vessels, aircraft, flying machine, motor and other vehicles, cycle, carriage, coach or wagon, including shares, stocks, or securities in any of the above modes of transport over which the Company has rights of ownership or any other interest, and to maintain, repair, fit out, refit, improve, insure, alter, sell, exchange or let out on hire or hire purchase, or otherwise deal with and dispose of any ship, vessel, aircraft, flying machine, vehicle, cycle, carriage, coach, wagon, shares, stock, and securities, or any of the engines, tackle, gear, furniture, equipment, and stores of the Company.

- (21) To establish and carry on in Hong Kong and any other countries schools at or by means of which students in any manner whether by post, personal attendance or otherwise may obtain education and instruction and particularly in or with regard to but without being limited to architecture, architectural, mechanical, geometrical and other drawing and designing, surveying, mapping, book-keeping, shorthand, speed-reading, typewriting and other secretarial training, civil, mechanical, electrical marine and other engineering, building and other constructional work, heating and ventilation, electronics, chemistry, mining, metallurgy, geology, commerce, spinning, weaving and sign-writing and painting, agriculture, horticulture, dairy and other farming, and stock and other breeding, forestry, professions ancillary to medicine, law, languages, mathematics, seamanship, navigation, geography and history, music, arts, elocution, journalism, games, sports, recreation exercise and pastimes, economics, commerce, industry, and all other subjects whatsoever that may be included in a commercial, technical, scientific, classical or academic education, or may be conducive to knowledge of or skill in any trade, pursuit or calling and to provide for the giving and holding of lectures, scholarships, exhibitions, classes and meetings for the promotion or advancement of education.
- (22) To provide a school or schools, lecture class or examination room or rooms, office or offices, board, lodging and attendance and all other necessaries and conveniences for or to students, teachers, lecturers, clerks, employees and officers instructed or employed temporarily or otherwise by the Company, and to afford them facilities for study, research, cultivation, teaching and performance of the tasks and duties allotted to them respectively.
- (23) To carry on all or any of the business of booksellers, book manufacturers, bookbinders, printers, publishers and proprietors of newspapers, magazines, books, periodicals, tickets, programmes, brochures, promotional literature and other publications whatsoever of all description, machine, letterpress and copperplate printers, rollform and automatic printers, colour printers, lithographers, type founders, stereotypers, electrotypers, photographic printers, engravers, diesinkers, designers, draughtsmen, newsagents, pressagents, journalists, literary agents, stationers, manufacturers of and dealers in engravings, prints, pictures, and drawings advertising agents and contractors, artists, sculptors, designers, decorators, illustrators, photo-graphers and dealers in photographic supplies and equipment of all kinds, film makers, producers and distributors, publicity agents, display specialists and any other business, which may seem to the Company capable of being carried on in connection with the above.
- (24) To acquire, sell, own, lease, let out to hire, administer, manage, control, operate, construct, repair, alter, equip, furnish, fit out, decorate, improve and otherwise deal in works, buildings, and conveniences of all kinds which expression without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing shall include railways, tramways, docks, harbours, piers, wharves, canals, reservoirs, embankments, dams, irrigation, reclamation, sewage, drainage and sanitary works, water, gas, oil, motor, electrical, telephonic, telegraphic and power supply works.

- (25) To buy, sell, manufacture, construct, repair, alter, convert, refit, salve, raise, fit out, rig out, scrap, let on hire and otherwise deal in timber, iron, steel, metal, glass, minerals, ores, machinery, rolling-stock, plant, equipment, utensils, instruments, implements, tools, apparatus, appliances, materials, fuels, and products and commodities of all kinds and of whatever substance and for any purpose whatsoever.
- (26) To carry on the trade or business of steel makers, steel converters, iron-masters, colliery proprietors, coke manufacturers, miners, smelters, millwrights, carpenters joiners, boiler makers, plumbers, brass founders, building material suppliers and manufacturers, tinplate manufacturers and iron founders in all their respective branches and to purchase, take on lease, or otherwise acquire any mines, wells, quarries, and metalliferous land and any interests therein and to explore, work, exercise, develop and otherwise turn to account the same; to crush, win, get, quarry, smelt, calcine, refine, dress, amalgamate, and otherwise process and prepare for market ores, metals, precious stones, and mineral substances of all kinds and to carry on any other metallurgical operations which may seem conducive to the Company's objects.
- (27) To act as business consultants and advisers and to employ experts to investigate and examine into the condition, prospects, value, character and circumstances, of any business concerns and undertakings, and generally of any assets, property, or rights.
- (28) To insure with any company or person against losses, damages, risks and liabilities of all kinds which may affect the Company and to act as agents and brokers for placing insurance risks of all kinds in all its branches.
- (29) To appoint sales agents to sell any of the products of the Company and any goods, foods, stores, chattels and things for which the Company are agents or in any other way whatsoever interested or concerned in any part of the world.
- (30) To lend and advance money or give credit to such persons or companies and on such terms as may seem expedient, and in particular to customers and others having dealings with the Company, and to guarantee the performance of any contract or obligation and the payment of money of or by any such persons or companies, and generally to give guarantees and indemnities (except life, fire and marine insurance indemnities).
- (31) To undertake and execute any trusts the undertaking whereof may seem desirable and also to undertake the office of executor, administrator, treasurer or registrar and to keep for any company, government, authority or body any register relating to any stocks, funds, shares or securities or to undertake any duties in relation to the registration of transfers, the issue of certificates or otherwise.
- (32) To receive and hold for its own use, benefit on behalf or in trust or otherwise moneys and other property and estates, real, personal, and mixed, of whatever kind and nature and the same to invest, reinvest, manage, settle, control, sell and dispose of in any manner and to collect, manage, invest, reinvest, adjust, and in any manner to dispose of the income, profits, and interest arising therefrom upon such terms as may be agreed upon between the Company and the persons contracting with it.
- (33) To obtain any order in council, enactment or ordinance for enabling the Company to carry any of its objects into effect or for effecting any modification of the Company's constitution or for any other purpose which may seem expedient and to oppose any proceedings or applications which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to prejudice the Company's interests.
- (34) To pay all expenses incidental to the formation or promotion of the Company or any other company and the conduct of its business and to remunerate any person or company for

services rendered in placing or assisting to place or guaranteeing the placing of any of the shares in or debentures or other securities of the Company or in or about the promotion, formation or business of the Company or of any other company promoted wholly or in part by the Company.

- (35) To grant pensions, allowances, gratuities and bonuses to employees or ex-employees of the Company or of any company which is a subsidiary of the Company or in or about the promotion, formation or business of the Company, subsidiary company or dependants of such persons and to procure the establishment and maintenance of or participate in or contribute to any non-contributory or contributory pension or super-annuation fund or life assurance scheme for the benefit of such employees or ex-employees or their dependants and to establish and support or to aid in the establishment and support of any schools and any educational, scientific, literary, religious, public, municipal or charitable institution, or trade societies, whether such societies be solely connected with the business carried on by the Company or its predecessors in business or not and any club or other establishment calculated to advance the interests of the Company or any such subsidiary company or the persons employed by the Company or any such subsidiary company or its predecessors in business and to subscribe to any trade protection society or guild or any other association for the protection or encouragement of trade.
- (36) To remunerate or make donations (in cash or by the issue of fully or partly paid shares or debentures of the Company or any other company or in any other manner the Directors may think fit) to any person or persons, whether Directors, officers or agents of the Company or not, for services rendered or to be rendered in the conduct of the Company's business or in placing or assisting to place any shares in the capital of, or any debentures, debenture stock or other securities of the Company or any other company formed or promoted by the Company or in which the Company may be interested or in or about the formation or promotion of the Company or any other company as aforesaid.
- (37) To do all or any of the above things in any part of the world and as principals, agents, contractors, or otherwise, and by or through agents, contractors or otherwise and either alone or in conjunction with others.
- (38) To carry on business and maintain branches abroad in any part of the world for all or any of the purposes herein set forth.
- (39) To acquire or take over all or any property, rights and liabilities of any other company and hold shares in any such company and to guarantee the payment of any debentures or other securities issued by any such company.
- (40) To distribute any of the properties of the Company whether upon a distribution of assets or a division of profits among members in specie or otherwise.
- (41) (a) To act as directors, accountants, secretaries and registrars of companies incorporated by law or societies or organizations (whether incorporated or not).
  - (b) To hold in trust as trustees or nominees of any person or persons, company, corporation, or any charitable or other institution in any part of the world, whether incorporated or not, and to manage, deal with and turn to account, any real and personal property of any kind.
  - (c) To act as nominees, trustees or agents for the receiving, payment, loan, repayment, transmission, collection and investment of money, and for the purchase, sale, improvement, development and management of any real or personal property, including business concerns and undertaking, both in Hong Kong and abroad.

- (42) To carry on any other business which may seem to the Company capable of being conveniently carried on in connection with its business or calculated directly or indirectly to enhance the value of or render profitable any of the Company's property or rights.
- (43) To apply for, purchase, or otherwise acquire any patents, patent rights, copyrights, trade marks, formulae, licences, concessions, and the like, conferring any exclusive or non-exclusive or limited right to use, or any secret or other information as to, any invention which may seem capable of being used for any of the purposes of the Company, or the acquisition of which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to benefit the Company; and to use, exercise, develop, or grant licences in respect of, or otherwise turn to account, the property, rights, or information so acquired.
- (44) To amalgamate or enter into partnership or into any arrangement for sharing of profits, union of interest, co-operation, joint adventure, reciprocal concession, or otherwise, with any person or company carrying on or engaged in or about to carry on or engage in any business or transaction which the Company is authorized to carry on or engage in, or any business or transaction capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectly to benefit the Company.
- (45) To take, or otherwise acquire, and hold shares, debentures, or other securities of any other company.
- (46) To enter into any arrangements with any Government or authority, supreme, municipal, local, or otherwise, that may seem conducive to the Company's objects, or any of them; and to obtain from any such Government or authority any rights, privileges, and concessions which the Company may think desirable to obtain; and to carry out, exercise, and comply with any such arrangements, rights, privileges, and concessions.
- (47) To establish and support or aid in the establishment and support of associations, institutions, funds, trusts, and conveniences calculated to benefit employees or directors or past employees or directors of the Company or of its predecessors in business, or the dependants or connections of any such persons; and to grant pensions and allowances; and to make payments towards insurance; and to subscribe or guarantee money for charitable or benevolent objects, or for any exhibition, or for any public, general, or useful object.
- (48) To promote any other company or companies for the purpose of acquiring or taking over all or any of the property, rights and liabilities of the Company, or for any other purpose which may seem directly or indirectly calculated to benefit the Company.
- (49) To purchase, take on lease or in exchange, hire, and otherwise acquire any real and personal property and any rights or privileges which the Company may think necessary or convenient for the purposes of its business, and in particular any land, buildings, easements, machinery, plant and stock-in-trade.
- (50) To construct, improve, maintain, develop, work, manage, carry out, or control any buildings, works, factories, mills, roads, ways, tramways, railways, branches or sidings, bridges, reservoirs, watercourses, wharves, warehouses, electric works, shops, stores, and other works and conveniences which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to advance the Company's interests; and to contribute to, subsidize, or otherwise assist or take part in the construction, improvement, maintenance, development, working, management, carrying out, or control thereof.
- (51) To invest and deal with the moneys of the Company not immediately required in such manner as may from time to time be thought fit.
- (52) To lend and advance money or give credit to any person or company; to guarantee, and give guarantees or indemnities for the payment of money or the performance of contracts or obligations by any person or company; to secure or undertake in any way the repayment of moneys lent or advanced to or the liabilities incurred by any person or company; and otherwise to assist any person or company.

- (53) To borrow or raise or secure the payment of money in such manner as the Company may think fit and to secure the same or the repayment or performance of any debt, liability, contract, guarantee or other engagement incurred or to be entered into by the Company in any way and in particular by the issue of debentures perpetual or otherwise, charged upon all or any of the Company's property (both present and future), including its uncalled capital; and to purchase, redeem, or pay off any such securities.
- (54) To remunerate any person or company for services rendered, or to be rendered, in placing or assisting to place or guaranteeing the placing of any of the shares in the Company's capital or any debentures, or other securities of the Company, or in or about the organization, formation, or promotion of the Company or the conduct of its business.
- (55) To draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange, bills of lading and other negotiable or transferable instruments.
- (56) To sell or dispose of the undertaking of the Company or any part thereof for such consideration as the Company may think fit, and in particular for shares, debentures or securities of any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of the Company.
- (57) To adopt such means of making known and advertising the business and products of the Company as may seem expedient.
- (58) To apply for, secure, acquire by grant, legislative enactment, assignment, transfer, purchase, or otherwise, and to exercise, carry out, and enjoy any charter, licence, power, authority, franchise, concession, right, or privilege, which any Government or authority or any corporation or other public body may be empowered to grant; and to pay for, aid in, and contribute towards carrying the same into effect; and to appropriate any of the Company's shares, debentures, or other securities and assets to defray the necessary costs, charges, and expenses thereof.
- (59) To apply for, promote, and obtain any statute, order, regulation, or other authorization or enactment which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to benefit the Company; and to oppose any bills, proceedings, or applications which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to prejudice the Company's interests.
- (60) To procure the Company to be registered or recognized in any country or place outside Hong Kong.
- (61) To sell, improve, manage, develop, exchange, lease, dispose of, turn to account, or otherwise deal with all or any part of the property and rights of the Company.
- (62) To issue and allot fully or partly paid shares in the capital of the Company in payment or part payment of any real or personal property purchased or otherwise acquired by the Company or any services rendered to the Company.
- (63) To distribute any of the property of the Company among the members in kind or otherwise but so that no distribution amounting to a reduction of capital shall be made without the sanction required by law.
- (64) To take or hold mortgages, liens, and charges to secure payment of the purchase price, or any unpaid balance of the purchase price, of any part of the Company's property of whatsoever kind sold by the Company, or any money due to the Company from purchasers and others.
- (65) To carry out all or any of the objects of the Company and do all or any of the above things in any part of the world and either as principal, agent, contractor or trustee, or otherwise, and by or through trustees or agents or otherwise, and either alone or in conjunction with others.

- (66) To do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objects and the exercise of the powers of the Company.
- (67) To carry on any other business whether manufacturing or otherwise which may seem to the Company capable of being conveniently carried on in connection with any of the above business or objects or calculated directly or indirectly to enhance the value or render profitable any of the Company's property or rights for the time being.

### It is hereby declared that:

- (i) where the context so admits the word "company" in this clause shall be deemed to include any government or any statutory, municipal or public body or any body corporate or incorporated association including a partnership or other body of persons whether or not incorporated and, if incorporated, whether or not a company within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 32), and whether domiciled in Hong Kong or elsewhere;
- (ii) the objects specified in each of the paragraphs of this clause shall be regarded as independent objects, and accordingly shall in no way be limited or restricted (except where otherwise expressed in such paragraphs) by reference to or inference from the terms of any other paragraph, but may be carried out in as full and ample a manner and construed in as wide a sense as if each of the said paragraphs defined the objects of a separate and distinct company.
- 4. The liability of the members is limited.
- \*5. The share capital of the Company is HK\$500,000,000 divided into 5,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each and the Company shall have the power to divide the original or any increased capital into several classes, and to attach thereto any preferential, deferred, qualified or other special rights, privileges, restrictions or conditions.
- \* Pursuant to an Ordinary Resolution passed on 26th June, 1992, the authorised capital of the Company was sub-divided from HK\$10,000.00 divided into 10,000 ordinary shares of HK\$1.00 each to HK\$10,000.00 divided into 100,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each.

Pursuant to an Ordinary Resolution passed on 26th June, 1992, the authorised capital of the Company was increased from HK\$10,000.00 divided into 100,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each to HK\$50,000,000.00 divided into 500,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each.

Pursuant to an Ordinary Resolution passed on 6th July, 1994, the authorised capital of the Company was increased from HK\$50,000,000.00 divided into 500,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each to HK\$120,000,000,000 divided into 1,200,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each with effect from 8th July, 1994.

Pursuant to an Ordinary Resolution passed on 29th May, 1997, the authorised capital of the Company was increased from HK\$120,000,000.00 divided into 1,200,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each to HK\$200,000,000 divided into 2,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each.

Pursuant to an Ordinary Resolution passed on 29th December, 1997, the authorised capital of the Company was increased from HK\$200,000,000.00 divided into 2,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each to HK\$230,000,000 divided into 2,300,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each.

Pursuant to an Ordinary Resolution passed on 25th May, 1999, the authorised capital of the Company was increased from HK\$230,000,000.00 divided into 2,300,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each to HK\$300,000,000 divided into 3,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each.

Pursuant to an Ordinary Resolution passed on 25th January, 2006, the authorised capital of the Company was increased from HK\$300,000,000.00 divided into 3,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each to HK\$500,000,000 divided into 5,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each.

WE, the several persons, whose names, addresses and descriptions are hereto subscribed, are desirous of being formed into a company in pursuance of this Memorandum of Association, and we respectively agree to take the number of shares in the capital of the Company set opposite to our respective names:

Names, Addresses and Descriptions of Subscribers	Number of Shares taken by each Subscriber
For and on behalf of GROSVENOR NOMINEES LIMITED (Sd.) By Lawrence Chik-Yuen Cheung  Director 3101 Jardine House 1 Connaught Place Hong Kong Corporation	1
For and on behalf of GREAT CHINA NOMINEES LIMITED (Sd.) By Lawrence Chik-Yuen Cheung  Director 3101 Jardine House 1 Connaught Place Hong Kong Corporation	1
Total Number of Shares Taken	2

Dated the 17th day of May, 1991. WITNESS to the above signatures:

(Sd.) Elizabeth Ka-Yee Kan Director 3101 Jardine House 1 Connaught Place Hong Kong

### THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE

### COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES

### ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

**OF** 

# CHINA MERCHANTS HOLDINGS (INTERNATIONAL) COMPANY LIMITED

招商局國際有限公司

### **PRELIMINARY**

1. (1) In these Articles the following words bear the following meanings:-

"Associates" has the same meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules;

"these Articles" the Articles of Association of the Company in their present

form and all supplementary amended or substituted articles

for the time being in force;

"the Board" the board of directors for the time being of the Company or

(as the context may require) the majority of directors present

and voting at a meeting of the directors;

"clear days" in relation to the period of a notice, that period excluding the

day when the notice is given or deemed to be given and the day for which it is given or on which it is to take effect;

"Disclosure of Interests Ordinance" subject to paragraph 3 of this Article, the Securities (Disclosure of Interests) Ordinance (Chapter 396 of the Laws

of Hong Kong);

"dollars" and "\$" dollars in the lawful currency of Hong Kong;

"executed" any mode of execution;

"the Group" the Company and any subsidiary or subsidiaries of the

Company;

"holder" in relation to shares, the member whose name is entered in the

register of members as the holder of the shares;

"Listing Rules" the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock

Exchange;

"Office" the registered office of the Company;

"the Ordinance" subject to paragraph (3) of this Article, the Companies

Ordinance (Chapter 32 of the Laws of Hong Kong) and includes every other ordinance incorporated therein or substituted therefor and in the case of any such substitute the references in these Articles to the provisions of the ordinance shall be read as references to the provisions substituted

therefor in the new ordinance;

"paid up" paid up or credited as paid up;

"Published in the Newspaper"

has the meaning assigned to it by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities of the Stock Exchange from time to time;

"the seal"

the common seal from time to time of the Company and an official seal (if any) kept by the Company by virtue of section 73A of the Ordinance, or either of them as the case may require;

"secretary"

the secretary of the Company or any other person authorised to perform the duties of the secretary of the Company,

including a joint, assistant or deputy secretary;

"the Stock Exchange"

The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

- (2) Save as aforesaid and unless the context otherwise requires, words or expressions contained in these Articles bear the same meaning as in the Ordinance (except any statutory modification thereof not in force when these Articles become binding on the Company).
- (3) A reference in these Articles to any statute or provision of a statute includes a reference to any statutory modification or re-enactment of it for the time being in force.
- (4) A reference to any Article by number is to the particular Article of these Articles.
- (5) In these Articles, unless the context otherwise requires:-
  - (a) words in the singular include the plural, and vice versa;
  - (b) words importing any gender shall include all genders; and
  - (c) a reference to a person includes a reference to a body corporate and to an unincorporated body of persons.
- (6) In these Articles:
  - references to writing include references to typewriting, printing, lithography, photography facsimile, telex messages, electronic means of communication and any other modes of representing or reproducing words in a legible and non-transitory form;
  - (b) references to "other" and "otherwise" shall not be construed ejusdem generis where a wider construction is possible;
  - (c) references to a power are to a power of any kind, whether administrative, discretionary or otherwise; and
  - (d) references to a committee of the Directors are to a committee established in accordance with these Articles, whether or not comprised wholly of the Directors.
- (7) The headings are inserted for convenience only and do not affect the construction of these Articles.
- The regulations contained in Table A do not apply to the Company. 2.

### SHARE CAPITAL

- \*3. The authorised share capital of the Company is HK\$500,000,000.00 divided into 5,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each.
- 4. Subject to the provisions of the Ordinance and without prejudice to any special rights or restrictions for the time being attaching to any existing shares or any class of shares, any share may be issued upon such terms and conditions and with such preferred, deferred or special rights or such restrictions whether in regard to dividend, voting, return of capital or otherwise, as the Company may by ordinary resolution determine (or, if the Company has not so determined, as the Directors may determine).
- 5. Subject to the provisions, if any, of the Memorandum of Association, any preference share may, with the sanction of a special resolution of the Company be issued on terms that it is, or at the option of the Company is liable, to be redeemed on such terms and in such manner as the Company may by special resolution determine.
- 6. Subject to the provisions of the Ordinance and these Articles, the unissued shares in the Company shall be at the disposal of the Directors, who may offer, allot, grant options over or otherwise dispose of them to such persons and on such terms as the Directors think fit. The Directors may issue warrants to subscribe for any class of shares or securities of the Company on such terms as they may from time to time determine.
- 7. The Company may exercise the powers of paying commissions conferred by the Ordinance. Subject to the provisions of the Ordinance, any such commission may be satisfied by the payment of cash or by the allotment of fully or partly paid shares or partly in one way and partly in the other. The Company may also on any issue of share capital pay such brokerage as may be lawful.
- 8. Except as required by law, no person shall be recognised by the Company as holding any share upon any trust and (except as otherwise provided by these Articles or by law) the Company shall not be bound by or recognise any interest in any share except an absolute right to the entirety of it in the holder.
- \* Pursuant to an Ordinary Resolution passed on 26th June, 1992, the authorised capital of the Company was sub-divided from HK\$10,000.00 divided into 10,000 ordinary shares of HK\$1.00 each to HK\$10,000.00 divided into 100,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each.

Pursuant to an Ordinary Resolution passed on 26th June, 1992, the authorised capital of the Company was increased from HK\$10,000.00 divided into 100,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each to HK\$50,000,000.00 divided into 500,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each.

Pursuant to an Ordinary Resolution passed on 6th July, 1994, the authorised capital of the Company was increased from HK\$50,000,000.00 divided into 500,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each to HK\$120,000,000.00 divided into 1,200,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each with effect from 8th July, 1994.

Pursuant to an Ordinary Resolution passed on 29th May, 1997, the authorised capital of the Company was increased from HK\$120,000,000.00 divided into 1,200,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each to HK\$200,000,000 divided into 2,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each.

Pursuant to an Ordinary Resolution passed on 29th December, 1997, the authorised capital of the Company was increased from HK\$200,000,000.00 divided into 2,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each to HK\$230,000,000 divided into 2,300,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each.

Pursuant to an Ordinary Resolution passed on 25th May, 1999, the authorised capital of the Company was increased from HK\$230,000,000.00 divided into 2,300,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each to HK\$300,000,000 divided into 3,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each.

Pursuant to an Ordinary Resolution passed on 25th January, 2006, the authorised capital of the Company was increased from HK\$300,000,000.00 divided into 3,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each to HK\$500,000,000 divided into 5,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each.

### VARIATION OF RIGHTS

- 9. Subject to the provisions of the Ordinance, if at any time the capital of the Company is divided into different classes of shares, the rights attached to any class may be varied, either while the Company is a going concern or during or in contemplation of a winding up:-
  - (a) in such manner (if any) as may be provided by those rights; or
  - (b) in the absence of any such provision, with the consent in writing of the holders of three-quarters in nominal value of the issued shares of that class, or with the sanction of a special resolution passed at a separate meeting of the holders of the shares of that class,

but not otherwise. To every such separate meeting the provisions of these Articles relating to general meetings shall apply, except that the necessary quorum at any such meeting other than an adjourned meeting shall be two persons together holding or representing by proxy at least one-third in nominal value of the issued shares of the class in question and at an adjourned meeting shall be one person holding shares of the class in question or his proxy.

- 10. Unless otherwise expressly provided by the rights attached to any shares, those rights:-
  - (a) shall be deemed to be varied by the reduction of the capital paid up on those shares and by the creation or issue of further shares ranking in priority for payment of a dividend or in respect of capital or which confer on the holders voting rights more favourable than those conferred by the first-mentioned shares;
  - (b) shall otherwise be deemed not to be varied by the creation or issue of further shares ranking pari passu with or subsequent to the first-mentioned shares; and
  - (c) shall be deemed not to be varied by the purchase by the Company of any of its own shares.

### SHARE CERTIFICATES

- 11. (a) The Directors shall cause to be kept a register of the members and there shall be entered therein the particulars required under the Ordinance.
  - (b) Every holder of shares shall be entitled without payment to one certificate for all the shares of each class held by him (and, upon transferring a part of his holding of shares of any class, to a certificate for the balance of that holding) or, upon payment for every certificate after the first of \$2 (or such sum as the Directors may determine and be permitted under the rules prescribed by the Stock Exchange), to several certificates each for one or more of his shares. Every certificate shall be issued under the seal and shall specify the number, class and distinguishing numbers (if any) of the shares to which it relates and the amount or respective amounts paid up on them. The Company shall not be bound to issue more than one certificate for shares held jointly by several persons and delivery of a certificate or certificates to one joint holder shall be a sufficient delivery to all of them.

- (c) If a share certificate is defaced, worn-out, lost or destroyed, it may be renewed on:-
  - (i) payment of such fee (if any) not exceeding \$2 (or such higher amount as may from time to time be determined by the Directors and permitted under the rules prescribed by the Stock Exchange); and
  - (ii) such other terms (if any) as to evidence and indemnity and payment (in the case of loss or destruction) of any exceptional expenses incurred by the Company in investigating evidence as the Directors may determine but otherwise free of charge, and (in the case of defacement or wearing-out) on delivery up of the old certificate.

#### LIEN

- 12. The Company shall have a first and paramount lien on every share (not being a fully paid share) for all amounts (whether presently payable or not) payable at a fixed time or called in respect of that share. The Directors may declare any share to be wholly or in part exempt from the provisions of this Article. The Company's lien on a share shall extend to all amounts payable in respect of it.
- 13. The Company may sell, in such manner as the Directors determine, any share on which the Company has a lien if an amount in respect of which the lien exists is presently payable and is not paid within fourteen clear days after notice has been given to the holder of the share, or the person entitled to it in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of the holder, demanding payment and stating that if the notice is not complied with the shares may be sold.
- 14. To give effect to the sale the Directors may authorise some persons to execute an instrument of transfer of the share sold to, or in accordance with the directions of, the purchaser. The purchaser shall not be bound to see to the application of the proceeds of sale nor shall his title to the share be affected by any irregularity in or invalidity of the proceedings in reference to the sale.
- 15. The net proceeds of the sale, after payment of the costs, shall be applied in payment of so much of the amount for which the lien exists as is presently payable, and any residue shall (upon surrender to the Company for cancellation of the certificate for the share sold and subject to a like lien for any amount not presently payable as existed upon the share before the sale) be paid to the person entitled to the share at the date of the sale.

### CALLS ON SHARES AND FORFEITURE

- 16. Subject to the terms of allotment, the Directors may make calls upon the members in respect of any amounts unpaid on their shares (whether in respect of nominal value or premium) and each member shall (subject to receiving at least fourteen clear days' notice specifying when and where payment is to be made) pay to the Company as required by the notice the amount called on his shares. A call may be required to be paid by instalments. A call may, before receipt by the Company of an amount due under it, be revoked in whole or in part and payment of a call may be postponed in whole or part. A person upon whom a call is made shall remain liable for calls made upon him notwithstanding the subsequent transfer of the shares in respect of which the call was made.
- 17. A call shall be deemed to have been made at the time when the resolution of the Directors authorising the call was passed.
- 18. The joint holders of a share shall be jointly and severally liable to pay all calls in respect of it.

- 19. If a call or an instalment of a call remains unpaid after it has become due and payable, the person from whom it is due shall pay interest on the amount unpaid, from the day it became due and payable until it is paid, at the rate fixed by the terms of allotment of the shares in question or in the notice of the call or, if no rate is fixed, at such rate not exceeding 10 per cent. per annum as the Directors may determine, but the Directors may waive payment of the interest wholly or in part.
- 20. An amount payable in respect of a share on allotment or at any fixed date, whether in respect of nominal value or premium or as an instalment of a call, shall be deemed to be a call and if it is not paid these Articles shall apply as if that sum had become due and payable by virtue of a call.
- 21. Subject to the terms of allotment, the Directors may differentiate between the holders in the amounts and times of payment of calls on their shares.
- 22. The Directors may receive from any member willing to advance all or any part of the amount unpaid on the shares held by him (beyond the sums actually called up) as a payment in advance of calls, and such payment shall, to the extent of it, extinguish the liability on the shares in respect of which it is advanced. The Company may pay interest on the amount so received, or so much of it as exceeds the sums called up on the shares in respect of which it has been received, at such rate (if any) as the member and the Directors agree.
- 23. If a call or an instalment of a call remains unpaid after it has become due and payable the Directors may give to the person from whom it is due not less than fourteen clear days' notice requiring payment of the amount unpaid together with any interest which may have accrued. The notice shall name the place where payment is to be made and shall state that if the notice is not complied with the shares in respect of which the call was made will be liable to be forfeited. If the notice is not complied with, any shares in respect of which it was given may, before the payment required by the notice has been made, be forfeited by a resolution of the Directors and the forfeiture shall include all dividends and other amounts payable in respect of the forfeited shares and not paid before the forfeiture.
- 24. Subject to the provisions of the Ordinance, a forfeited share may be sold, re-allotted or otherwise disposed of on such terms and in such manner as the Directors determine either to the person who was before the forfeiture the holder or to any other person and, at any time before the disposition, the forfeiture may be cancelled on such terms as the Directors determine. Where for the purposes of its disposal a forfeited share is to be transferred to any person, the Directors may authorise someone to execute an instrument of transfer of the share to that person.
- 25. A person any of whose shares have been forfeited shall cease to be a member in respect of them and shall surrender to the Company for cancellation the certificate for the shares forfeited but shall remain liable to the Company for all amounts which at the date of forfeiture were presently payable by him to the Company in respect of those shares with interest at the rate at which interest was payable on those amounts before the forfeiture or, if no interest was so payable, at such rate not exceeding 10 per cent. per annum as the Directors may determine from the date of forfeiture until payment, but the Directors may waive payment wholly or in part or enforce payment without any allowance for the value of the shares at the time of forfeiture of for any consideration received on their disposal.
- 26. A statutory declaration by a Director or the secretary that a share has been forfeited on a specified date shall be conclusive evidence of the facts stated in it as against all persons claiming to be entitled to the share and the declaration shall (subject to the execution of an instrument of transfer, if necessary) constitute a good title to the share and the person to whom the share is disposed of shall not be bound to see to the application of the consideration, if any, nor shall his title to the share be affected by any irregularity in or invalidity of the proceedings relating to the forfeiture or disposal of the share.

### TRANSFER OF SHARES

- 27. The instrument of transfer of a share may be in any usual form or in any other form which the Directors approve and shall be executed by or on behalf of the transferor and, where the share is not fully paid, by or on behalf of the transferee.
- 28. The Directors may, in their absolute discretion and without giving any reason, refuse to register the transfer of a share which is not fully paid. They may also refuse to register a transfer of a share unless the instrument of transfer:-
  - (a) is lodged, duly stamped, at the Office or at such other place as the Directors may appoint and is accompanied by the certificate for the share to which it relates, such other evidence as the Directors may reasonably require to show the right of the transferor to make the transfer and a fee of \$2 (or such higher amount as may from time to time be determined by the Directors and permitted under the rules of the Stock Exchange);
  - (b) is in respect of only one class of share; and
  - (c) is in favour of not more than four transferees.
- 29. If the Directors refuse to register a transfer of a share, they shall within two months after the date on which the transfer was lodged with the Company send to the transferee notice of the refusal.
- 30. The registration of transfers of shares or of any class of shares may be suspended at such times and for such periods (not exceeding thirty days in any year) as the Directors may determine.
- 31. Subject to the provisions of these Articles and the rules of the Stock Exchange, no other fee shall be charged for the registration of any instrument of transfer or other document relating to or affecting the title to any share.
- 32. The Company shall be entitled to retain any instrument of transfer which is registered, but any instrument of transfer which the Directors refuse to register shall (except in the case of fraud) be returned to the person lodging it when notice of the refusal is given.
- 33. Nothing in these Articles shall preclude the Directors from recognising a renunciation of the allotment of any share by the allottee in favour of some other person.

## TRANSMISSION OF SHARES

- 34. If a member dies the survivor or survivors where he was a joint holder, or his personal representatives where he was a sole holder or the only survivor of joint holders, shall be the only persons recognised by the Company as having any title to his interest; but nothing in this Article shall release the estate of a deceased member from any liability in respect of any share which had been jointly held by him.
- 35. A person becoming entitled to a share in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of a member may, upon such evidence being produced as the Directors may properly require, elect either to become the holder of the share or to have some person nominated by him registered as the transferee. If he elects to become the holder he shall give notice to the Company to that effect. If he elects to have another person registered he shall execute an

instrument of transfer of the share to that person. All the provisions of these Articles relating to the transfer of shares shall apply to the notice or instrument of transfer as if it were an instrument of transfer signed by the member and the death or bankruptcy of the member had not occurred.

- 36. A person becoming entitled to a share by reason of the death or bankruptcy of a member shall have the rights to which he would be entitled if he were the holder of the share, except that he shall not, before being registered as the holder of the share, be entitled in respect of it to attend or vote at any general meeting or at any separate meeting of the holders of any class of shares. Provided always that the Directors may at any time give notice requiring any such person to elect either to be registered himself or to transfer the share, and if the notice is not complied within 90 days the Directors may thereafter withhold payment of all dividends, bonuses or other moneys payable in respect of the share until the requirements of the notice have been complied with.
- 37. Deleted.

## **UNTRACED MEMBERS**

- 38. (1) The Company shall have the power to cease sending dividend warrants by post if such warrants have not been cashed on two consecutive occasions.
  - (2) The Company shall be entitled to sell at the best price reasonably obtainable any share held by a member, or any share to which a person is entitled by transmission, if:-
    - (a) for a period of 12 years no cheque or warrant for amounts payable in respect of the share sent and payable in a manner authorised by these Articles has been cashed and no communication has been received by the Company from the member or person concerned;
    - (b) during that period at least three dividends in respect of the share have become payable;
    - (c) the Company has, after the expiration of that period, by an advertisement Published in the Newspapers and by notice to the Stock Exchange if shares of the class concerned are listed on that exchange, given notice of its intention to sell such share; and
    - (d) the Company has not during the further period of three months after the date of the advertisement and prior to the sale of the share received any communication from the member or person concerned.
  - (3) To give effect to the sale the Company may appoint any person to execute an instrument of transfer of the share, and the instrument shall be as effective as if it had been executed by the registered holder of, or person entitled by transmission to, the share. The purchaser shall not be bound to see to the application of the proceeds of sale, nor shall his title to the share be affected by any irregularity in or invalidity of the proceedings relating to the sale. The Company shall be indebted to the member or other person entitled to the share for an amount equal to the net proceeds of the sale, but no trust or duty to account shall arise and no interest shall be payable in respect of the proceeds of sale.

### **STOCK**

- 39. The Company may by ordinary resolution convert any paid up shares into stock and re-convert any stock into paid up shares of any denomination.
- 40. A holder of stock may transfer it or any part of it in the same manner, and subject to the same provisions of these Articles as would have applied to the shares from which the stock arose if they had not been converted, or as near thereto as circumstances admit, but the Directors may fix the minimum amount of stock transferable at an amount not exceeding the nominal amount of any of the shares from which the stock arose.
- 41. A holder of stock shall, according to the amount of the stock held by him, have the same rights as if he held the shares from which the stock arose: provided that no such right (except participation in dividends and in the assets of the Company) shall be conferred by an amount of stock which would not, if existing in shares, have conferred that right.
- 42. All the provisions of these Articles applicable to paid up shares shall apply to stock, and the words "share" and "member" shall include "stock" and "stockholder" respectively.

### ALTERATIONS OF CAPITAL

- 43. The Company may by ordinary resolution:-
  - (a) increase its share capital by the creation of new shares of such amount as the resolution prescribes;
  - (b) consolidate all or any of its share capital into shares of larger amount than its existing shares;
  - (c) subject to the provisions of the Ordinance, sub-divide its shares, or any of them, into shares of smaller amount than is fixed by the memorandum of association of the Company;
  - (d) determine that, as between the shares resulting from such a sub-division, any of them may have any preference or advantage as compared with the others; and
  - (e) cancel shares which, at the date of the passing of the resolution, have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person, and diminish the amount of its share capital by the amount of the shares so cancelled.
- 44. Whenever as a result of a consolidation of shares any members would become entitled to fractions of a share, the Directors may on behalf of those members sell to any person (including, subject to the provisions of the Ordinance, the Company) the shares representing the fractions for the best price reasonably obtainable and distribute the net proceeds of sale in due proportion among those members or retain the net proceeds for the benefit of the Company, and the Directors may authorise some person to execute an instrument of transfer of the share to or in accordance with the directions of the purchaser. The transferee shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money nor shall his title to the share be affected by any irregularity in or invalidity of the proceedings in reference to the sale.
- 45. Subject to the provisions of the Ordinance, the Company may by special resolution reduce its share capital, any capital redemption reserve and any share premium account, in any way.

### PURCHASE OF OWN SHARES

46. Subject to the provisions of the Ordinance and the rules of the Stock Exchange, the Company may purchase its own shares or any securities which carry a right to subscribe or purchase its own shares in accordance with the provisions of any code governing the purchase of securities which may be applicable to the Company.

## **GENERAL MEETINGS**

- 47. The Company shall in each 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 not more than fifteen months 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 at such time and place as the Board shall appoint. All general meetings other than annual general meetings shall be called extraordinary general meetings.
- 48. The Directors may call general meetings and on a member's requisition under section 113 of the Ordinance shall forthwith convene an extraordinary general meeting for a date not later than eight weeks after receipt of the requisition. If there are not within Hong Kong sufficient Directors to call a general meeting, any Director or, if there is no Director within Hong Kong, any member of the Company may call a general meeting.
- 49. An annual general meeting and a meeting called for the passing of a special resolution shall be called by twenty-one days' notice in writing at the least, and a meeting of the Company other than an annual general meeting or a meeting for the passing of a special resolution shall be called by at least fourteen 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 and the hour of meeting and, in case of special business, 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 subject to the provisions of the Companies Ordinance, 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:-
  - (i) in the case of a meeting called as the annual general meeting, by all the members entitled to attend and vote thereat; and
  - (ii) in the case of any other meeting, by a majority in number of the members having a right to attend and vote at the meeting, being a majority together holding not less than ninety-five per cent. in nominal value of the shares giving that right.
- 50. The accidental omission to give notice of a meeting to, or the non-receipt of notice of a meeting by, any person entitled to receive notice shall not invalidate the proceedings at that meeting.

## PROCEEDINGS AT GENERAL MEETINGS

51. All business shall be deemed special that is transacted at an extraordinary general meeting. All business that is transacted at an annual general meeting shall also be deemed special, with the exception of declaring dividends, the consideration of the accounts and balance sheet and the reports of the Directors and auditors and other documents required to be annexed to the balance sheet, the appointment of Directors in the place of those retiring (whether by rotation or otherwise) and the reappointment of the retiring auditors (other than retiring auditors who have been appointed by the Directors to fill a casual vacancy) and the fixing of the remuneration of the auditors.

- 52. No business shall be transacted at any meeting unless a quorum is present. Two persons entitled to vote upon the business to be transacted, each being a member or a proxy for a member or a duly authorised representative of a corporation which is a member, shall be a quorum.
- 53. If a quorum is not present within half an hour after the time appointed for holding the meeting, or if during a meeting a quorum ceases to be present, the meeting, if convened on the requisition of or by members, shall be dissolved. In any other case it shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time and place, or to such day, time and place as the Directors may determine. If at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting, the meeting shall be dissolved.
- 54. The chairman (if any) of the board of Directors, or in his absence the vice-chairman (if any), or in the absence of both of them some other Director nominated by the Directors, shall preside as chairman of the meeting, but if neither the chairman nor the vice-chairman nor such other Director (if any) is present within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting and willing to act, the Directors present shall elect one of their number present to be chairman and, if there is only one Director present and willing to act, he shall be chairman.
- 55. If no Director is willing to act as chairman, or if no Director is present within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting, the members present and entitled to vote shall choose one of their number to be chairman.
- 56. A Director shall, notwithstanding that he is not a member, be entitled to attend and speak at any general meeting and at any separate meeting of the holders of any class of shares.
- 57. Without prejudice to any other power of adjournment he may have under these Articles or at common law, the chairman may, with the consent of a meeting at which a quorum is present (and shall if so directed by the meeting), adjourn the meeting from time to time and from place to place, but no business shall be transacted at an adjourned meeting other than business which might properly have been transacted at the meeting had the adjournment not taken place. When a meeting is adjourned for fourteen days or more, at least seven clear days' notice shall be given specifying the time and place of the adjourned meeting and the general nature of the business to be transacted. Otherwise it shall not be necessary to give notice of an adjournment.
- 58. A resolution put to the vote of a meeting shall be decided on a show of hands unless before, or on the declaration of the result of, the show of hands a poll is duly demanded. Subject to the provisions of the Ordinance, a poll may be demanded:-
  - (a) by the chairman; or
  - (b) by not less than five members having the right to vote at the meeting; or
  - (c) by a member or members representing not less than one-tenth of the total voting rights of all the members having the right to vote at the meeting; or
  - (d) by a member or members holding shares conferring a right to vote on the resolution on which an aggregate sum has been paid up equal to not less than one-tenth of the total sum paid up on all the shares conferring that right.
- 59. Unless a poll is duly demanded, a declaration by the chairman that a resolution has been carried or carried unanimously, or by a particular majority, or lost, or not carried by a particular majority, and an entry to that effect in the minutes of the meeting, shall be conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against the resolution.

- 60. The demand for a poll may, before the poll is taken, be withdrawn but only with the consent of the chairman, and a demand so withdrawn shall not be taken to have invalidated the result of a show of hands declared before the demand was made.
- 61. A poll shall be taken as the chairman directs, and he may appoint scrutineers (who need not be members) and fix a time and place for declaring the result of the poll. The result of the poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting at which the poll was demanded.
- 62. In the case of an equality of votes, whether on a show of hands or on a poll, the chairman shall be entitled to a casting vote in addition to any other vote he may have.
- 63. A poll demanded on the election of a chairman or on a question of adjournment shall be taken forthwith. A poll demanded on any other question shall be taken either forthwith or at such time and place as the chairman directs, not being more than thirty days after the poll is demanded. The demand for a poll shall not prevent the continuance of a meeting for the transaction of any business other than the question on which the poll was demanded. If a poll is demanded before the declaration of the result of a show of hands and the demand is duly withdrawn, the meeting shall continue as if the demand had not been made.
- 64. No notice need be given of a poll not taken forthwith if the time and place at which it is to be taken are announced at the meeting in respect of which it is demanded. In any other case, at least seven clear days' notice shall be given specifying the time and place at which the poll is to be taken.

## **VOTES OF MEMBERS**

- 65. Subject to any rights or restrictions attached to any shares and subject to Article 68A, at any general meeting on a show of hands every member who (being an individual) is present in person or by proxy or (being a corporation) is present by proxy or by a duly authorised representative who is not himself a member entitled to vote, shall have one vote, and on a poll every member present in person or by proxy or by a duly authorised representative shall have one vote for every share of which he is the holder which is fully paid-up (but so that no amount paid up or credited as paid up on a share in advance of calls or instalments shall be treated for the purposes of this Article as paid up on the share).
- 66. In the case of joint holders the vote of the senior who tenders a vote shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint holders, and seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names of the holders stand in the register of members.
- 67. A member of unsound mind or in respect of whom an order has been made by any court having jurisdiction (whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere) in lunacy may vote, on a show of hands or on a poll, by his committee, receiver, curator bonis, or other person in the nature of a committee, receiver or curator bonis appointed by that court, who may on a poll vote by proxy. Evidence to the satisfaction of the Directors of the authority of the person claiming the right to vote shall be deposited at the Office, or at such other place as is specified in accordance with these Articles for the deposit of instruments of proxy, not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the right to vote is to be exercised, and in default the right to vote shall not be exercisable.
- 68. No member shall have the right to vote at any general meeting or at any separate meeting of the holders of any class of shares, either in person or by representative or proxy, in respect of any share held by him unless all amounts presently payable by him in respect of that share have been paid.

- 68A. Where a member is, under the Listing Rules, required to abstain from voting on any resolution or restricted to voting only for or only against any resolution, any votes cast by or on behalf of such member in contravention of such requirement or restriction shall not be counted.
- 69. No objection shall be raised to the qualification of any voter or to the counting of, or failure to count, any vote, except at the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the vote objected to is tendered. Subject to any objection made in due time, every vote counted and not disallowed at the meeting shall be valid and every vote disallowed or not counted shall be invalid. Any objection made in due time shall be referred to the chairman whose decision shall be final and conclusive.
- 70. On a poll votes may be given either personally or by proxy or (in the case of a corporate member) by a duly authorised representative. A member entitled to more than one vote need not, if he votes, use all his votes or cast all the votes he uses the same way. A proxy need not be a member.
- 71. An instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing in any usual form or in any other form which the Directors may approve and shall be executed by or on behalf of the appointor. A corporation may execute a form of proxy either under its common seal or under the hand of a duly authorised officer. A member may appoint more than one proxy to attend on the same occasion. Deposit of an instrument of proxy shall not preclude a member from attending and voting at the meeting or at any adjournment of it.
- 72. The instrument appointing a proxy and any power of attorney or other authority under which it is executed or a notarially certified copy of that power or authority may:-
  - (a) be deposited at the Office or at such other place in Hong Kong as is specified in the notice convening the meeting, or in any instrument of proxy sent out by the Company in relation to the meeting, not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the person named in the instrument proposes to vote; or
  - (b) where a poll is not taken forthwith but is taken not more than 48 hours after it was demanded, be delivered at the meeting to the chairman or to the secretary or to any Director;

and an instrument of proxy which is not deposited or delivered in a manner so pemitted shall be invalid.

- 73. A vote given or poll demanded by proxy or by the duly authorised representative of a corporation shall be valid notwithstanding the previous determination of the authority of the person voting or demanding a poll, unless notice of the determination was received by the Company at the Office, or at such other place at which the instrument of proxy was duly deposited, before the commencement of the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the vote is given or the poll demanded or (in the case of a poll not taken on the same day as the meeting or adjourned meeting) the time appointed for taking the poll.
- 74. The instrument appointing a proxy to vote at a general meeting shall: (i) be deemed to confer authority upon the proxy to demand or join in demanding a poll and to vote on any resolution (or amendment thereto) put to the meeting for which it is given as the proxy thinks fit Provided that any form issued to a member for use by him for appointing a proxy to attend and vote at an extraordinary general meeting or at an annual general meeting at which any special business (determined as provided in Article 51) is to be transacted shall be such as to enable the member, according to his intention, to instruct the proxy to vote

in favour of or against (or, in default of instructions, to exercise his discretion in respect of) each resolution dealing with any such special business; and (ii) unless the contrary is stated therein, be valid as well for any adjournment of the meeting as for the meeting to which it relates.

- 75. No instrument appointing a proxy shall be valid after the expiration of twelve months from the date named in it as the date of its execution, except at an adjourned meeting or on a poll demanded at a meeting or an adjourned meeting in cases where the meeting was originally held within twelve months from such date.
- 76. The Directors may at the expense of the Company send instruments of proxy to the members by post or otherwise (with or without provision for their return prepaid) for use at any general meeting or at any separate meeting of the holders of any class of shares, either in blank or nominating in the alternative the chairman or any other person. If for the purpose of any meeting invitations to appoint as proxy a person or one of a number of persons specified in the invitations are issued at the Company's expense, they shall be issued to all (and not to some only) of the members entitled to be sent a notice of the meeting and to vote at it. The accidental omission to send such an instrument or give such an invitation to, or the non-receipt thereof by, any member entitled to attend and vote at a meeting shall not invalidate the proceedings at that meeting.

## CORPORATION ACTING BY REPRESENTATIVES

77. Any corporation which is a member of the Company may, by resolution of its Directors or other governing body, authorise such person as it thinks fit to act as its representative at any meeting of the Company, or at any separate meeting of the holders of any class of shares. Except as otherwise provided in these Articles, the person so authorised shall be entitled to exercise the same power on behalf of the corporation as the corporation could exercise if it were an individual member of the Company, and the corporation shall for the purposes of these Articles be deemed to be present in person at any such meeting if a person so authorised is present at it.

## **DIRECTORS**

- 78. Unless otherwise determined by the Company by ordinary resolution the number of Directors (other than alternate Directors) shall not be subject to any maximum but shall not be less than two.
- 79. A Director shall not require a share qualification but shall nevertheless be entitled to attend and speak at all general meetings of the Company and of any class of members of the Company.
- 80. (1) The Directors shall be entitled to receive by way of remuneration for their services such sum as shall from time to time be determined by the Company in general meeting, such sum (unless otherwise directed by the resolution by which it is voted) to be divided amongst the Directors in such proportions and in such manner as the Board may agree, or failing agreement, equally, except that in such event any Director holding office for less than the whole of the relevant period in respect of which the remuneration is paid shall only rank in such division in proportion to the time during such period for which he has held office. The foregoing provisions shall not apply to a Director who holds any salaried employment or office in the Company except in the case of sums paid in respect of Directors' fees.

- (2) The Directors may also be paid all travelling, hotel and other expenses properly incurred by them in connection with their attendance at meetings of the Directors or of committees of the Directors or general meetings or separate meetings of the holders of any class of shares or otherwise in connection with the discharge of their duties as Directors.
- (3) Any Director who performs services which the Directors consider go beyond the ordinary duties of a Director may be paid such special remuneration (whether by way of bonus, commission, participation in profits or otherwise) as the Directors may determine.

### ALTERNATE DIRECTORS

- 81. Any Director (other than an alternate Director) may appoint any other Director, or any other person approved by resolution of the Directors and willing to act, to be an alternate Director and may remove from office an alternate Director appointed by him.
- 82. An alternate Director shall (unless he is absent from Hong Kong) be entitled to receive notices of meetings of the Directors and of committees of the Directors of which his appointor is a member, to attend and vote at any such meeting at which the Director appointing him is not present, and generally to perform all the functions of his appointor as a Director in his absence, but shall not (unless the Company by ordinary resolution otherwise determines) be entitled to any fees for his services as an alternate Director.
- 83. An alternate Director shall cease to be an alternate Director if his appointor ceases to be a Director; but, if a Director retires by rotation or otherwise but is reappointed or deemed to have been reappointed at the meeting at which he retires, any appointment of an alternate Director made by him which was in force immediately prior to his retirement shall continue after his reappointment.
- 84. An appointment or removal of an alternate Director shall be by notice to the Company executed by the Director making or revoking the appointment or in any other manner approved by the Directors.
- 85. Save as otherwise provided in these Articles, an alternate Director shall be deemed for all purposes to be a Director and shall alone be responsible for his own acts and defaults, and he shall not be deemed to be the agent of the Director appointing him unless he is acting on the instructions of the Director appointing him.

# **POWERS OF DIRECTORS**

- 86. The business of the Company shall be managed by the Directors who, subject to the provisions of the Ordinance, the memorandum of association of the Company and these Articles and to any directions given by special resolution, may exercise all the powers of the Company. No alteration of the memorandum of association of the Company or these Articles and no such direction shall invalidate any prior act of the Directors which would have been valid if that alteration had not been made or that direction had not been given. The powers given by this Article shall not be limited by any special power given to the Directors by these Articles and a meeting of the Directors at which a quorum is present may exercise all powers exercisable by the Directors.
- 87. (1) The Board may from time to time at their discretion exercise all the powers of the Company to raise or borrow or to secure the payment of any sum or sums of money for the purposes of the Company and to mortgage or charge its undertaking, property and uncalled capital or any part thereof.

- (2) The Board may raise or secure the payment or repayment of such sum or sums in such manner and upon such terms and conditions in all respects as they think fit and, in particular by the issue of debentures, debenture stock, bonds or other securities of the Company, whether outright or as collateral security for any debt, liability or obligation of the Company or of any third party.
- (3) Debentures, debenture stock, bonds and other securities may be made assignable free from any equities between the Company and the person to whom the same may be issued.
- (4) Any debentures, debenture stock, bonds or other securities may be issued at a discount, premium or otherwise and with any special privileges as to redemption, surrender, drawings, allotment of shares, attending and voting at general meetings of the Company, appointment of Directors and otherwise.
- (5) (a) The Board shall cause a proper register to be kept, in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Ordinance, of all mortgages and charges specifically affecting the property of the Company and shall duly comply with the requirements of the Companies Ordinance in regard to the registration of mortgages and charges therein specified and otherwise.
  - (b) If the Company issues a series of debentures or debenture stock not transferable by delivery, the Board shall cause a proper register to be kept of the holders of such debentures in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Ordinance.
- (6) Where any uncalled capital of the Company is charged, all persons taking any subsequent charge thereon shall take the same subject to such prior charge, and shall not be entitled, by notice to the members or otherwise, to obtain priority over such prior charge.

## DELEGATION OF DIRECTORS' POWER

- 88. (1) The Directors may delegate any of their powers:-
  - (a) to any managing director, any Director holding any other executive office or any other Director;
  - (b) to any committee consisting of one or more Directors and (if thought fit) one or more other persons; and
  - (c) to any local board or agency for managing any of the affairs of the Company either in Hong Kong or elsewhere.
  - (2) Any such delegation (which may include authority to sub-delegate all or any of the powers delegated) may be subject to any conditions the Directors impose and either collaterally with or to the exclusion of their own powers and may be revoked or varied. The power to delegate under this Article, being without limitation, includes power to delegate the determination of any fee, remuneration or other benefit which may be paid or provided to any Director and is not restricted in its application to sub-paragraphs (a), (b) or (c) of paragraph (1) of this Article by reference to or inference from any other of those sub-paragraphs. Subject as aforesaid, the proceedings of any committee, which comprises two or more members thereof shall be governed by such of these Articles as regulate the proceedings of Directors so far as they are capable of applying.

- 89. The Directors may, by power of attorney or otherwise, appoint any person, whether nominated directly or indirectly by the Directors, to be the agent of the Company for such purposes and subject to such conditions as they think fit, and may delegate any of their powers of such an agent. The Directors may revoke or vary any such appointment or delegation and may also authorise the agent to sub-delegate all or any of the powers vested to him.
- 90. All acts bona fide done by any meeting of the Board or by any such committee or by any person acting as a Director shall, notwithstanding that it shall be afterwards discovered that there was some defect in the appointment of such Director or persons acting as aforesaid or that they or any of them were disqualified, be as valid as if every such person had been duly appointed and was qualified to be a Director or member of such committee.

## APPOINTMENT AND RETIREMENT OF DIRECTORS

- 91. Subject to the manner of retirement by rotation of Directors as from time to time prescribed under the Listing Rules, at each annual general meeting one-third of the Directors for the time being (or, if their number is not a multiple of three (3), then the number nearest to but not less than one-third) shall retire from office by rotation provided that every Director (including those appointed for a specific term) shall be subject to retirement by rotation as least once every three years.
- 92. Subject to the provisions of the Ordinance and to the following provisions of these Articles, the Directors to retire by rotation shall be those who have been longest in office since their last appointment or reappointment, but as between persons who became or were last reappointed Directors on the same day those to retire shall (unless they otherwise agree among themselves) be determined by lot.
- 93. If the Company, at the meeting at which a Director retires by rotation, does not fill the vacancy the retiring Director shall; if willing to act, be deemed to have been reappointed unless at the meeting it is resolved not to fill the vacancy or a resolution for the reappointment of the Director is put to the meeting and lost.
- 94. No person other than a Director retiring by rotation shall be appointed or reappointed a Director at any general meeting unless:-
  - (a) he is recommended by the Directors; or
  - (b) after the despatch of the notice of the general meeting and at least seven days before the date appointed for holding the meeting, notice executed by a member qualified to vote on the appointment or reappointment has been given to the Company of the intention to propose that person for appointment or reappointment, stating the particulars which would, if he were appointed or reappointed, be required to be included in the Company's register of Directors, together with notice executed by that person of his willingness to be appointed or reappointed.
- 95. At a general meeting a motion for the appointment of two or more persons as the Directors by a single resolution shall not be made, unless a resolution that it shall be so made has been first agreed to by the meeting without any vote being given against it, and for the purposes of this Article a motion for approving a person's appointment or for nominating a person for appointment shall be treated as a motion for his appointment.
- 96. Subject as aforesaid, the Company may by ordinary resolution appoint a person who is willing to act to be a Director, either to fill a vacancy or as an additional Director, and may also determine the rotation in which any additional Directors are to retire.

- 97. The Directors may appoint a person who is willing to act to be a Director, either to fill a vacancy or as an additional Director, provided that the appointment does not cause the number of Directors to exceed any number fixed as the maximum number of Directors (if any). Any Director so appointed by the Directors shall hold office only until the next following general meeting of the Company (in the case of filling a casual vacancy) or until the next following annual general meeting of the Company (in the case of an addition to the existing Directors), and shall then be eligible for re-election.
- 98. Subject as aforesaid, a Director who retires at an annual general meeting may be reappointed. If he is not reappointed or deemed to have been reappointed, he shall retain office until the meeting appoints someone in his place or, if it does not do so, until the end of the meeting.

# DISQUALIFICATION AND REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS

- 99. Without prejudice to the provisions of the Ordinance, the Company may, by ordinary resolution, remove a Director before the expiration of his period of office (but such removal shall be without prejudice to any claim to damages for breach of any contract of service between the Director and the Company) and, subject to these Articles, may, by ordinary resolution, appoint another person instead of him. A person so appointed shall be subject to retirement at the same time as if he had become a Director on the day on which the Director in whose place he is appointed was last appointed or reappointed a Director.
- 100. The office of a Director shall be vacated if:-
  - (a) he ceases to be a Director by virtue of any provision of the Ordinance or he becomes prohibited by law from being a Director; or
  - (b) he becomes bankrupt or makes any arrangement or composition with his creditors generally; or
  - (c) he resigns his office by notice in writing to the Company; or
  - (d) in the case of a Director who holds any executive office, his appointment as such is terminated or expires and the Directors resolve that his office be vacated; or
  - (e) he is absent for more than six consecutive months without permission of the Directors from meetings of the Directors held during that period and the Directors resolve that his office be vacated; or
  - (f) he is requested in writing by all the other Directors to resign.
- 101. No person shall be disqualified from being appointed or reappointed as a director and no director shall be requested to vacate that office by reason of his attaining any particular age.

## **DIRECTORS' APPOINTMENTS AND INTERESTS**

102. The Directors may appoint one or more of their number to the office of managing director or to any other executive office under the Company and any such appointment may be made for such term, at such remuneration and on such other conditions as the Directors think fit. Any appointment of a Director to an executive office shall terminate if he ceases to be a Director but without prejudice to any claim to damages for breach of the contract of service between the Director and the Company.

- 103. (1) Subject to the provisions of the Ordinance, and provided that he has disclosed to the Directors the nature and extent of any material interest of his, a Director notwithstanding his office:-
  - (a) may be a party to, or otherwise interested in, any transaction or arrangement with the Company or in which the Company is otherwise interested;
  - (b) may be a Director or other officer of, or employed by, or a party to any transaction or arrangement with, or otherwise interested in, any body corporate promoted by the Company or in which the Company is otherwise interested; and
  - (c) shall not, by reason of his office, be accountable to the Company for any benefit which he derives from any such office or employment or from any such transaction or arrangement or from any interest in any such body corporate;

and no such transaction or arrangement shall be liable to be avoided on the ground of any such interest or benefit.

- (2) For the purposes of this Article:-
  - (a) a general notice given to the Directors that a Director is to be regarded as having an interest of the nature and extent specified in the notice in any transaction or arrangement in which a specified person or class of persons is interested shall be deemed to be a disclosure that the Director has an interest in any such transaction of the nature and extent so specified; and
  - (b) an interest of which a Director has no knowledge and of which it is unreasonable to expect him to have knowledge shall not be treated as an interest of his.

# **DIRECTORS' GRATUITIES AND PENSIONS**

104. The Directors may provide benefits, whether by the payment of gratuities or pensions or by insurance or otherwise, for any Director who has held but no longer holds any executive office or employment with the Company or with any body corporate which is or has been a subsidiary of the Company or a predecessor in business of the Company or of any such subsidiary, and for any member of his family (including a spouse and a former spouse) or any person who is or was dependent on him and may (as well before as after he ceases to hold such office or employment) contribute to any fund and pay premiums for the purchase or provision of any such benefit.

# PROCEEDINGS OF DIRECTORS

- 105. (1) Subject to the provisions of these Articles, the Directors may regulate their proceedings as they think fit.
  - (2) The Board or any committee of the Board may participate in a meeting of the Board of such committee by means of a conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting are capable of hearing each other. A Director may, and the secretary at the request of a Director shall, at any time summon a meeting of the Board. Notice thereof shall be given to each Director and alternate Director either in writing or by telephone, facsimile transmission, telex or telegram at the address from time to time notified to the Company by such Director or in such other manner as the Board may from time to time determine. Provided that notice need not be given to any Director or alternate Director for the time being absent from Hong Kong. A Director may waive notice of any meeting and any such waiver may be prospective or retrospective.

- (3) If a Director notifies the Company in writing of an address in Hong Kong at which notice of meetings of the Directors is to be given to him when he is absent from Hong Kong, he shall, if so absent, be entitled to have notice given to him at that address; but the Company shall not be obliged by virtue of this paragraph to give any Director a longer period of notice than he would have been entitled to had he been present in Hong Kong at that address.
- (4) Questions arising at a meeting shall be decided by a majority of votes. In case of an equality of votes, the chairman shall have a second or casting vote. A Director who is also an alternate Director shall be entitled in the absence of his appointor to a separate vote on behalf of his appointor in addition to his own vote; and an alternate Director who is appointed by two or more Directors shall be entitled to a separate vote on behalf of each of his appointors in the appointor's absence.
- 106. No business shall be transacted at any meeting of the Directors unless a quorum is present. The quorum may be fixed by the Directors and unless so fixed at any other number shall be two. An alternate Director who is not himself a Director shall, if his appointor is not present, be counted in the quorum.
- 107. The continuing Directors or a sole continuing Director may act notwithstanding any vacancies in their number, but, if the number of Directors is less than the number fixed as the quorum, the continuing Directors or Director may act only for the purpose of filling vacancies or of calling a general meeting.
- 108. The Directors may elect from their number, and remove, a chairman and a vice-chairman of the board of Directors. The chairman, or in his absence the vice-chairman, shall preside at all meetings of the Directors, but if there is no chairman or vice-chairman, or if at the meeting neither the chairman nor the vice chairman is present within five minutes after the time appointed for the meeting, or if neither of them is willing to act as chairman, the Directors present may choose one of their number to be chairman of the meeting.
- 109. All acts done by a meeting of the Directors, or of a committee of the Directors, or by a person acting as a Director, shall notwithstanding that it may afterwards be discovered that there was a defect in the appointment of any Director or that any of them were disqualified from holding office, or had vacated office, or were not entitled to vote, be as valid as if every such person had been duly appointed and was qualified and had continued to be a Director and had been entitled to vote.
- 110. A resolution in writing executed by all the Directors other than those absent from Hong Kong or of a committee of the Directors shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Directors or (as the case may be) of that committee, duly convened and held, and may consist of several documents in the like form each executed by one or more Directors, but a resolution executed by an alternate Director need not also be executed by his appointor and, if it is executed by a Director who has appointed an alternate Director, it need not also be executed by an alternate Director in that capacity.
- 111. (1) Save as otherwise provided by these Articles, a Director shall not vote (nor be counted in the quorum) at a meeting of the Directors on any resolution concerning a matter in which he or any of his Associates has, directly or indirectly, a material interest (other than an interest in shares, debentures or other securities of, or otherwise in, the Company), unless his or his Associates' interest arises only because the case falls within one or more of the following sub-paragraphs:-
  - (a) the giving of any security or indemnity either:-

- (i) to the Director or his Associate(s) in respect of money lent or obligations incurred or undertaken by him or any of them at the request of or for the benefit of the Company or any of its subsidiaries; or
- (ii) to a third party in respect of a debt or obligation of the Company or any of its subsidiaries for which the Director or his Associate(s) has himself/ themselves assumed responsibility in whole or in part and whether alone or jointly under a guarantee or indemnity or by the giving of security;
- (b) any proposal concerning an offer of shares or debentures or other securities of or by the Company or any other company which the Company may promote or be interested in for subscription or purchase where the Director or his Associate(s) is/are or is/are to be interested as a participant in the underwriting or sub-underwriting of the offer;
- (c) any proposal concerning any other company in which the Director or his Associate(s) is/are interested only, whether directly or indirectly, as an officer or executive or shareholder or in which the Director or his Associate(s) is/are beneficially interested in shares of that company, provided that the Director and any of his Associates are not in aggregate beneficially interested in 5% or more of the issued shares of any class of such company (or of any third company through which his interest or that of his Associates is derived) or of the voting rights;
- (d) any proposal or arrangement concerning the benefit of employees of the Company or its subsidiaries including:-
  - the adoption, modification or operation of any employees' share scheme or any share incentive or share option scheme under which the Director or his Associate(s) may benefit; or
  - (ii) the adoption, modification or operation of a pension fund or retirement, death or disability benefits scheme which relates both to Directors, his Associates and employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries and does not provide in respect of any Director, or his Associate(s), as such any privilege or advantage not generally accorded to the class of persons to which such scheme or fund relates; and
- (e) any contract or arrangement in which the Director or his Associate(s) is/are interested in the same manner as other holders of shares or debentures or other securities of the Company by virtue only of his/their interest in shares or debentures or other securities of the Company.
- (2) For the purposes of paragraph (1) of this Article and in relation to an alternate Director, an interest of his appointor shall be treated as an interest of the alternate Director without prejudice to any interest which the alternate Director has otherwise.
- (3) Where proposals are under consideration concerning the appointment (including the fixing or varying of terms of appointment) of two or more Directors to offices or employment with the Company or any body corporate in which the Company is interested, the proposals may be divided and considered in relation to each Director separately and (provided he is not by virtue of paragraph (1) of this Article, or otherwise under that paragraph, or for any other reason, precluded from voting) each of the Directors concerned shall be entitled to vote and be counted in the quorum in respect of each resolution except that concerning his own appointment.

- 112. A Director shall not be counted in the quorum present at a meeting in relation to a resolution on which he is not entitled to vote.
- 113. If a question arises at a meeting of the Directors as to the right of a Director to vote, the question may, before the conclusion of the meeting, be referred to the chairman of the meeting (or, if the Director concerned is the chairman, to the other Directors at the meeting), and his ruling in relation to any Director other than himself (or, as the case may be, the ruling of the majority of the other Directors in relation to the chairman) shall be final and conclusive.

## **MINUTES**

- 114. The Director shall cause minutes to be made in books kept for the purpose:-
  - (a) of all appointments of officers made by the Directors; and
  - (b) of all proceedings at meetings of the Company, of the holders of any class of shares in the Company, and of the Directors, and of a committee of the Directors, including the names of the Directors present at each such meeting.

### **SECRETARY**

115. Subject to the provisions of the Ordinance, the secretary and any deputy or assistant secretary shall be appointed by the Directors for such term, at such remuneration and on such other conditions as they think fit; and any secretary so appointed may be removed by them.

## THE SEAL

- 116. The seal shall be used only by the authority of a resolution of the Directors or of a committee of the Directors. The Directors may determine whether any instrument to which the seal is affixed, shall be signed and, if it is to be signed, who shall sign it. Unless otherwise determined by the Directors:-
  - (a) share certificates and, subject to the provisions of any instrument constituting the same, certificates issued under the seal in respect of any debentures or other securities, need not be signed and any signature may be applied to any such certificate by any mechanical or other means or may be printed on it; and
  - (b) every other instrument to which the seal is affixed shall be signed by one Director and by the secretary or another Director.
- 117. Subject to the provisions of the Ordinance, the Company may have an official seal for use in any place abroad.

### **DIVIDENDS**

- 118. The Company may by ordinary resolution declare dividends in accordance with the respective rights of the members, but no dividend shall exceed the amount recommended by the Directors. No dividend shall be payable except out of the profits of the Company.
- 119. The Directors may pay interim dividends if it appears to them that they are justified by the profits of the Company available for distribution. If the share capital is divided into different classes, the Directors may pay interim dividends on shares which confer deferred or non-preferred rights with regard to dividend as well as on shares which confer preferential rights with regard to dividend, but no interim dividend shall be paid on shares carrying deferred or non-preferred rights if, at the time of payment, any preferential

dividend is in arrears. The Directors may also pay at intervals settled by them any dividend payable at a fixed rate if it appears to them that the profits available for distribution justify the payment. If the Directors act in good faith they shall not incur any liability to the holders of shares conferring preferred rights for any loss they may suffer by the lawful payment of an interim dividend on any shares having deferred or non-preferred rights.

- 120. Except as otherwise provided by these Articles or the rights attached to shares, all dividends shall be declared and paid according to the amounts paid up on the shares on which the dividend is paid. If any share is issued on terms that it ranks for dividend as from a particular date, it shall rank for dividend accordingly. In any other case, dividends shall be apportioned and paid proportionately to the amounts paid up on the shares during any portion or portions of the period in respect of which the dividend is paid. For the purpose of this Article, an amount paid up on a share in advance of a call shall be treated, in relation to any dividend declared after the payment but before the call, as not paid up on the share.
- 121. Whenever the Board or the Company in general meeting have resolved that a dividend be paid or declared, the Board may further resolve that such dividend be satisfied wholly or in part by the distribution of specific assets of any kind and in particular of paid up shares, debentures or warrants to subscribe securities of the Company or any other company, or in any one or more of such ways, with or without offering any rights to shareholders to elect to receive such dividend in cash, and where any difficulty arises in regard to the distribution the Board may settle the same as they think expedient, and in particular may disregard fractional entitlements or round the same up or down, and may fix the value for distribution of such specific assets, or any part thereof, and may determine that cash payments shall be made to any members upon the footing of the value so fixed in order to adjust the rights of all parties, and may determine that fractional entitlements shall be aggregated and sold and the benefit shall accrue to the Company rather than to the members concerned, and may vest any such specific assets in trustees as may seem expedient to the Board and may appoint any person to sign and requisite instruments of transfer and other documents on behalf of the persons entitled to the dividend and such appointment shall be effective. Where requisite, a contract shall be filed in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance and the Board may appoint any person to sign such contract on behalf of the persons entitled to the dividend and such appointment shall be effective.
- 122. Any dividend or other money payable in respect of a share may be paid by cheque or warrant sent by post to the registered address of the person entitled or, if two or more persons are other holders of the share or are jointly entitled to it by reason of the death or bankruptcy of the holder, to the registered address of that one of those persons who is first named in the register of members or to such person and to such address as the person or person entitled may in writing direct. Every cheque or warrant shall be made payable to the order of the person or persons entitled or to such other person as the person or persons entitled may in writing direct and payment of the cheque or warrant shall be a good discharge to the Company. Any joint holder or other person jointly entitled to a share as aforesaid may give receipts for any dividend or other money payable in respect of the share.
- 123. No dividend or other money payable in respect of a share shall bear interest against the Company, unless otherwise provided by the rights attached to the share.
- 124. Any dividend which has remained unclaimed for six years from the date when it became due for payment shall, if the Directors so resolve, be forfeited and cease to remain owing by the Company.

- 125. (1) Whenever the Directors or the Company have resolved that a dividend be paid or declared on the share capital of the Company, the Directors may further resolve:-
  - (a) that such dividend be satisfied wholly or in part in the form of an allotment of shares credited as fully paid up on the basis that the shares so allotted shall be of the same class or classes as the class or classes already held by the members and the members will be entitled to elect to receive such dividend (or part thereof) in cash in lieu of such allotment. In such case, the following provisions shall apply:-
    - (i) the basis of any such allotment shall be determined by the Directors;
    - (ii) the Directors, after determining the basis of allotment, shall give not less than two weeks' notice in writing to the members of the right of election accorded to them and shall send with such notice forms of election and specify the procedure to be followed and the place at which and the latest date and time by which duly completed forms of election must be lodged in order to be effective;
    - (iii) the right of election may be exercised in respect of the whole or part of that portion of the dividend in respect of which the right of election has been accorded; and
    - (iv) the dividend (or that part of the dividend to be satisfied by the allotment of shares as aforesaid) shall not be payable in cash on shares in respect whereof the cash election has not been duly exercised ("the non-elected shares") and in lieu and in satisfaction thereof shares shall be allotted credited as fully paid up to the holders of the non-elected shares on the basis of allotment determined as aforesaid and for such purpose the Directors shall capitalise and apply out of any part of the undivided profits of the Company or any part of any reserve or fund of the Company (including any share premium account or capital redemption reserve) as the Directors may determine, a sum equal to the aggregate nominal amount of the shares to be allotted on such basis and apply the same in paying up in full the appropriate number of shares for allotment and distribution to and amongst the holders of the non-elected shares on such basis;
  - or (b) that members entitled to such dividend shall be entitled to elect to receive an allotment of shares credited as fully paid up in lieu of the whole or such part of the dividend as the Directors may think fit on the basis that the shares so allotted shall be of the same class or classes as the class or classes of shares already held by the member. In such case, the following provisions shall apply:-
    - (i) the basis of any such allotment shall be determined by the Directors;
    - (ii) the Directors, after determining the basis of allotment, shall give not less than two weeks' notice in writing to the members of the right of election accorded to them and shall send with such notice forms of election and specify the procedure to be followed and the place at which and the latest date and time by which duly completed forms of election must be lodged in order to be effective;
    - (iii) the right of election may be exercised in respect of the whole or part of that portion of the dividend in respect of which the right of election has been accorded; and

- (iv) the dividend (or that part of the dividend in respect of which a right of election has been accorded) shall not be payable in cash on shares in respect whereof the share election has been duly exercised ("the elected shares") and in lieu thereof shares shall be allotted credited as fully paid up to the holders of the elected shares on the basis of allotment determined as aforesaid and for such purpose the Directors shall capitalise and apply out of any part of the undivided profits of the Company or any part of any reserve or fund of the Company (including any share premium account and capital redemption reserve) as the Directors may determine, a sum equal to the aggregate nominal amount of the shares to be allotted on such basis and apply the same in paying up in full the appropriate number of shares for allotment and distribution to and amongst the holders of the ejected shares on such basis.
- (2) The shares allotted pursuant to the provisions of paragraphs (a) and (b) of paragraph (1) of this Article shall rank pari passu in all respects with the shares then in issue save only as regards participation:-
  - (i) in the relevant dividend (or the right to receive or to elect to receive an allotment of shares in lieu thereof as aforesaid); or
  - (ii) in any other distribution, bonuses or rights paid, made, declared or announced prior to or contemporaneously with the payment or declaration of the relevant dividend unless, contemporaneously with the announcement by the Directors of their proposal to apply the provisions of sub-paragraphs (a) or (b) of paragraph (1) of this Article in relation to the relevant dividend or contemporaneously with its announcement of the distribution, bonus or rights in question, the Directors shall specify that the shares to be allotted pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (1) of this Article shall rank for participation in such distribution, bonus or rights.
- (3) The Directors may do all acts and things considered necessary or expedient to give effect to any capitalisation pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (1) of this Article with full power to the Directors to make such provisions as it thinks fit in the case of shares becoming distributable in fractions. The Directors may authorise any person to enter on behalf of all members concerned into an agreement with the Company providing for the allotment to them respectively, credited as fully paid, of any further shares to which they are entitled upon such capitalisation, any agreement made under such authority being binding on all such members.
- (4) The Company may upon the recommendation of the Directors by special resolution resolve in respect of anyone particular dividend of the Company that notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (1) of this Article a dividend may be satisfied wholly in the form of an allotment of shares credited as fully paid up without offering any right to shareholders to elect to receive such dividend in cash in lieu of such allotment.
- (5) The Directors may resolve that the rights of election and the allotment of shares under paragraph (1) of this Article shall not be made available to any holders of ordinary shares where the Directors believe that the making available of these rights of election and/or allotting these shares to them would or might involve the contravention of the laws of any territory or that for any other reason the rights of election should not be made available, and/or the allotment of these shares should not be made, to them.

### CAPITALISATION OF PROFITS

- 126. The Directors may with the authority of an ordinary resolution of the Company:-
  - (a) subject as hereinafter provided, resolve to capitalise any undivided profits of the Company not required for paying any preferential dividend (whether or not they are available for distribution) or any sum standing to the credit of any reserve or fund of the Company (including any share premium account or capital redemption reserve);
  - (b) appropriate the sum resolved to be capitalised to the members in proportion to the nominal amounts of the shares (whether or not fully paid) held by them respectively which would entitle them to participate in a distribution of that sum if the shares were fully paid and the sum were then distributable and were distributed by way of dividend and apply such sum on their behalf either in or towards paying up the amounts, if any, for the time being unpaid on any shares held by them respectively, or in paying up in full unissued shares or debentures of the Company of a nominal amount equal to that sum, and allot the shares or debentures credited as fully paid to those members or as they may direct, in those proportions, but the share premium account, the capital redemption reserve, and any profits which are not available for distribution may, for the purposes of this Article, only be applied in paying up unissued shares to be allotted to members credited as fully paid;
  - (c) resolve that any shares so allotted to any member in respect of a holding by him of any partly paid shares shall so long as such shares remain partly paid rank for dividend only to the extent that the latter shares rank for dividend;
  - (d) make such provision by the issue of fractional certificates (or by ignoring fractions) or by payment in cash or otherwise as they determine in the case of shares or debentures becoming distributable in fractions;
  - (e) authorise any person to enter on behalf of all the members concerned into an agreement with the Company providing for the allotment to them respectively, credited as fully paid, of any further shares to which they are entitled upon such capitalisation, any agreement made under such authority being binding on all such members; and
  - (f) generally do all acts and things required to give effect to such resolution as aforesaid.

## SUBSCRIPTION RIGHTS RESERVE

- 127. The following provisions shall have effect at any time and from time to time that they are not prohibited or inconsistent with the Ordinance or any rules applicable from time to time:
  - (1) If, so long as any of the rights attached to any warrants issued by the Company to subscribe for shares of the Company shall remain exercisable, the Company does any act or engages in any transaction which, as a result of any adjustments to the subscription price in accordance with the provisions of the conditions of the warrants, would reduce the subscription price to below the par value of a share, then the following provisions shall apply:
    - (a) as from the date of such act or transaction the Company shall establish and thereafter (subject as provided in this Article) maintain in accordance with the provisions of this Article a reserve (the "Subscription Rights Reserve") the amount of which shall at no time be less than the sum which for the time being would be required to be capitalised and applied in paying up in full the nominal

amount of the additional shares required to be issued and allotted credited as fully paid pursuant to sub-paragraph (c) below on the exercise in full of all the subscription rights outstanding and shall apply the Subscription Rights Reserve in paying up such additional shares in full as and when the same are allotted;

- (b) the Subscription Rights Reserve shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified above unless all other reserves of the Company (other than share premium account and capital redemption reserve fund) have been used and will then only be used to make good losses of the Company if and so far as is required by law;
- (c) upon the exercise of all or any of the subscription rights represented by any warrant, the relevant subscription rights shall be exercisable in respect of a nominal amount of shares equal to the amount in cash which the holder of such warrant is required to pay on exercise of the subscription rights represented thereby (or, as the case may be, the relevant portion thereof in the event of a partial exercise of the subscription rights) and, in addition, there shall be allotted in respect of such subscription rights to the exercising warrantholder, credited as fully paid, such additional nominal amount of shares as is equal to the difference between:
  - (i) the said amount in cash which the holder of such warrant is required to pay on exercise of the subscription rights represented thereby (or, as the case may be, the relevant portion thereof in the event of a partial exercise of the subscription rights); and
  - (ii) the nominal amount of shares in respect of which such subscription rights would have been exercisable having regard to the provisions of the conditions of the warrants, had it been possible for such subscription rights to represent the right to subscribe for shares at less than par

and immediately upon such exercise so much of the sum standing to the credit of the Subscription Rights Reserve as is required to pay up in full such additional nominal amount of shares shall be capitalised and applied in paying up in full such additional nominal amount of shares which shall forthwith be allotted credited as fully paid to the exercising warrantholders; and

(d) if, upon the exercise of the subscription rights represented by any warrant, the amount standing to the credit of the Subscription Rights Reserve is not sufficient to pay up in full such additional nominal amount of shares equal to such difference as aforesaid to which the exercising warrantholder is entitled, the Board shall apply any profits or reserves then or thereafter becoming available (including, to the extent permitted by law, share premium account) for such purpose until such additional nominal amount of shares is paid up and allotted as aforesaid and until then no dividend or other distribution shall be paid or made on the fully paid shares of the Company then in issue. Pending such payment and allotment, the exercising warrantholder shall be issued by the Company with a certificate evidencing his right to the allottment of such additional nominal amount of shares. The rights represented by any such certificate shall be in registered, form and shall be transferable in whole or in part in units of one share in the like manner as the shares for the time being are transferable, and the Company shall make such arrangements in relation to the maintenance of a register therefor and other matters in relation thereto as the Board may think fit and adequate particulars thereof shall be made known to each relevant exercising warrantholder upon the issue of such certificate.

- (2) Shares allotted pursuant to the provisions of this Article shall rank pari passu in all respects with the other shares allotted on the relevant exercise of the subscription rights represented by the warrant concerned. Notwithstanding anything contained in paragraph (1) of this Article, no fraction of any share shall be allotted on exercise of the subscription rights.
- (3) The provisions of this Article as to the establishment and maintenance of the Subscription Rights Reserve shall not be altered or added to in any way which would vary or abrogate, or which would have the effect of varying or abrogating the provisions for the benefit of any warrantholder or class of warrantholders under this Article without the sanction of a special resolution of such warrantholders or class of warrantholders.
- (4) A certificate or report by the auditors for the time being of the Company as to whether or not the Subscription Rights Reserve is required to be established and maintained and if so, the amount thereof so required to be established and maintained, as to the purposes for which the Subscription Rights Reserve has been used, as to the extent to which it has been used to make good losses of the Company, as to the additional nominal amount of shares required to be allotted to exercising warrantholders credited as fully paid, and as to any other matter concerning the subscription Rights Reserve shall (in the absence of manifest error) be conclusive and binding upon the Company and all warrantholders and shareholders.

## RECORD DATES

128. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, but without prejudice to the rights attached to any shares, the Company or the Directors may fix a date as the record date by reference to which a dividend will be declared or paid or a distribution, allotment or issue made, and that date may be before, on or after the date on which the dividend, distribution, allotment or issue is declared, paid or made.

## **ACCOUNTS**

- 129. No member (other than a Director) shall have any right of inspecting any accounting record or other document of the Company, unless he is authorised to do so by statutes, by order of the court, by the Directors or by ordinary resolution of the Company.
- 130. A copy of the Directors' and auditors' reports accompanied by copies of the balance sheet and every document required by the Ordinance to be annexed to the balance sheet and profit and loss account or income and expenditure account shall, not less than twenty-one clear days before the annual general meeting before which they are to be laid, be sent to every member and holder of debentures of the Company, and to the auditors; provided that this Article shall be subject to Article 130B and shall not require a copy of those documents to be sent to any person of whose address the Company is not aware, to more than one of the joint holders of any shares or debentures, nor to any person to whom the Company has duly sent a copy of a summary financial report (as defined in the Ordinance) in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance and Article 130A. If all or any of the shares in or debentures of the Company are listed or dealt in on any stock exchange, there shall at the time be forwarded to the secretary of that stock exchange such number of copies of each of those documents as may be required by the regulations of that stock exchange.
- 130A. Subject to Article 130B, a copy of a summary financial report in the form and containing the contents as required by the Ordinance shall be sent by the Company in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance to a person who has been offered and agreed, in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance, to be sent a copy of such summary financial report.

130B.Where a person has, in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance where applicable, consented to treat the publication or the making available of the relevant financial documents and/or the summary financial report (each as defined in the Ordinance) on a computer network or by such other means as discharging the Company's obligation under the Ordinance to send a copy of the relevant financial documents and/or the summary financial report (each as defined in the Ordinance), then the publication or the making available by the Company, in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance where applicable, on such computer network or by such other means of the relevant financial documents or the summary financial report (each as defined in the Ordinance) shall, in relation to each consenting person, be deemed to discharge the Company's obligations under Article 130 and/or Article 130A.

## **NOTICES**

- 131. Any notice to be given to or by any person pursuant to these Articles shall be in writing, except that a notice calling a meeting of the Directors need not be in writing.
- 132. Any notice, document or communication to be given or issued by the Company shall be in writing in any one or more languages to the members, may be served by the Company upon any member either personally or by sending it by mail, postage prepaid, addressed to such member at his registered address or leaving it at that address, and in any case where the registered address of a member is outside Hong Kong, by prepaid airmail, or may be delivered, sent or otherwise made available using electronic or other means to such member. In the case of joint holders of a share, all notices shall he given to the joint holder whose name stands first in the register of members in respect of the joint holding and notice so given shall be sufficient notice to all the joint holders. A member whose registered address is not within Hong Kong may either give to the Company an address within Hong Kong or an address outside Hong Kong and notices may be sent to him at either address.
- 133. A member present either in person or by proxy, or in the case of a corporate member by a duly authorised representative, at any meeting of the Company or of the holders of any class of shares shall be deemed to have received notice of the meeting and, where requisite, of the purposes for which it was called.
- 134. (1) Any notice to be given to a member may be given by reference to the register of members as it stands at any time within a period of three days before the notice is given; and no change in the register after that time shall invalidate the giving of the notice.
  - (2) Every person who becomes entitled to a share shall be bound by any notice in respect of that share which, before his name is entered in the register of members, has been given to the person from whom he derives his title; but this paragraph does not apply to a notice given under section 18 of the Disclosure of Interests Ordinance.
- 135. [Deleted]
- 136. Subject to these Articles and any restriction under the Ordinance or any rule of the Stock Exchange, any notice to be given by the Company to the members or any of them shall be sufficiently given if Published in the Newspapers.
- 137. A notice sent by post shall be deemed to have been given on the day following that on which the envelope or wrapper containing the notice was posted. Proof that the envelope or wrapper was properly addressed, prepaid and posted (by airmail if appropriate) shall be conclusive evidence that notice was given. A notice given by advertisement Published in the Newspaper in accordance with Article 136 shall be deemed to have been served on the day on which the advertisement appears.

- 137A. A notice sent by way of electronic means shall be deemed to have been given at the time when the notice was either sent as an electronic mail or posted on the official website of the Company.
- 138. Any notice, document or communication delivered or sent by mail to, or left at the registered address of or made available using electronic or other means to any member, in pursuance of these Articles, shall, notwithstanding such member be then deceased or bankrupt, and whether or not the Company have notice of his decease or bankruptcy, be deemed to have been duly served in respect of any shares held by such member, whether held solely or jointly with other persons by such member, until some other person be registered in his stead as the holder or joint holder thereof, and such service shall for all purposes of these Articles be deemed a sufficient service of such notice, document or communication on his executors, administrators or assigns and all persons (if any) jointly interested with him in any such share.

# **DESTRUCTION OF DOCUMENTS**

- 139. (1) The Company may destroy:-
  - (a) any instrument of transfer, after six years from the date on which it is registered;
  - (b) any dividend mandate or notification of change of name or address, after two years from the date on which it is recorded;
  - (c) any share certificate, after one year from the date on which it is cancelled; and
  - (d) any other document on the basis of which an entry in the register of members is made, at any time after the expiry of six years from the date on which an entry in the register was first made in respect of that document.
  - (2) Any document referred to in paragraph (1) of this Article may be destroyed earlier than the relevant date authorised by that paragraph, provided that a permanent record of the document is made which is not destroyed before that date.
  - (3) It shall be conclusively presumed in favour of the Company that every entry in the register of members purporting to have been made on the basis of a document destroyed in accordance with this Article was duly and properly made, that every instrument of transfer so destroyed was duly registered, that every share certificate so destroyed was duly cancelled, and that every other document so destroyed was valid and effective in accordance with the particulars in the records of the Company: provided that:-
    - (a) this Article shall apply only to the destruction of a document in good faith and without notice of any claim (regardless of the parties to it) to which the document might be relevant;
    - (b) nothing in this Article shall be construed as imposing upon the Company any liability in respect of the destruction of any such document otherwise than in accordance with this Article which would not attach to the Company in the absence of this Article; and
    - (c) references in this Article to the destruction of any document include any reference to the disposal of it in any manner.

### WINDING UP

140. If the Company is wound up, the liquidator may, with the sanction of a special resolution and any other sanction required by law, divide among the members in specie the whole or any part of the assets of the Company and may, for that purpose, value any assets and determine how the division shall be carried out as between the members or different classes of members. The liquidator may, with the like sanction, vest the whole or any part of the assets in trustees upon such trusts for the benefit of the members as he may with the like sanction determine, but no member shall be compelled to accept any assets upon which there is a liability.

#### **INDEMNITY**

141. Subject to the provisions of the Ordinance, but without prejudice to any indemnity to which a Director may otherwise be entitled, every Director or other officer or auditor of the Company shall be indemnified out of the assets of the Company against any liability, loss or expenditure incurred by him in defending any proceedings, whether civil or criminal, which relate to anything done or omitted to be done by him as Director, officer or auditor of the Company and in which judgment is given in his favour or in which he is acquitted, or incurred in connection with any application in which relief is granted to him by the court from liability in respect of any such act or omission or from liability to pay any amount in respect of shares acquired by a nominee of the Company.

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