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Holly Futures

(a joint stock company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability under the Chinese corporate name 弘業期貨股份有限公司 and carrying on business in Hong Kong as Holly Futures) (the “Company”)
(Stock Code: 3678)

ANNOUNCEMENT

CONFIRMATION OF THE DATE OF CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS AND THE EQUITY REGISTRATION DATE OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT

Reference is made to the Company's announcement regarding the Group's annual results for the year ended 31 December 2018 (“**Annual Results Announcement**”) dated 22 March 2019, which sets out the Company's profit distribution and profit distribution plan. Unless otherwise defined, capitalised terms used herein shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Annual Results Announcement. The dividend distribution plan of the Company is as follows:

The Board proposed distribution of final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2018 (“**2018 Final Dividend**”) of RMB0.08 per Share (tax inclusive) in cash to Shareholders whose names appeared on the register of members on the equity registration date (“**Equity Registration Date**”) of the distribution of cash dividend for 2018 (i.e. Tuesday, 18 June 2019), and who are entitled to such distribution. Based on the total equity of the Company as of 31 December 2018, the aggregate amount to be distributed will be RMB72,560,000. The actual total cash dividend shall be determined based on total share capital of the Company issued as at the Equity Registration Date. The proposed 2018 Final Dividend is subject to approval at the 2018 annual general meeting of the Company. The 2018 Final Dividend of the Company is intended to be paid on Thursday, 25 July 2019. Please refer to the circular of the 2018 annual general meeting to be published by the Company in due course for details and the actual arrangement regarding the distribution of dividend. The dividend payable to holders of Domestic Shares of the Company will be in RMB while those payable to holders of H Shares of the Company will be in Hong Kong Dollars. The exchange rate shall be calculated on the basis of the average benchmark exchange rate between RMB and Hong Kong Dollars as announced by the People's Bank of China for the five working days prior to the date of the 2018 annual general meeting of the Company.

Subject to the approval of the resolution regarding the declaration of 2018 Final Dividend of the Company at the 2018 annual general meeting, 2018 Final Dividend of the Company will be paid to the Shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on Tuesday, 18 June 2019, and who are entitled to such distribution. The register of members of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 13 June 2019 to Tuesday, 18 June 2019 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares will be registered. For holders of H shares of the Company, in order to qualify for receiving 2018 Final Dividend, all completed share transfer documents accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's H Share registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong, and in any case no later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, 12 June 2019 (the "**Last Date for Lodgement of Transfer Documents**").

The aforesaid distribution of 2018 Final Dividend of the Company will be submitted to the 2018 annual general meeting of the Company for consideration and approval.

The date of closure of register of members, the Equity Registration Date and the Last Date for Lodgement of Transfer Documents of dividend payment stated herein shall prevail.

By order of the Board
Ms. Zhou Jianqiu
Executive Director

Nanjing, China
25 March 2019

As at the date of this announcement, the Board consists of Mr. Zhou Yong and Ms. Zhou Jianqiu as executive directors; Mr. Xue Binghai, Mr. Zhang Ke and Mr. Shan Bing as non-executive directors; and Mr. Zhang Hongfa, Mr. Lam Kai Yeung and Mr. Wang Yuetang as independent non-executive directors.