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New Century Group Hong Kong Limited
新世紀集團香港有限公司*

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code : 234)

PROFIT WARNING

This announcement is made by the Company pursuant to Rule 13.09 of the Listing Rules and Inside Information Provisions under Part XIVA of the SFO.

The Board wishes to inform the Shareholders and potential investors that the Group is expected to record a decrease by over 50% in profit attributable to owners of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2020 as compared to approximately HK\$47.5 million (restated) for the year ended 31 March 2019.

Shareholders and potential investors are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the shares of the Company.

This announcement is made by New Century Group Hong Kong Limited (the “Company” together with its subsidiaries, the “Group”) pursuant to Rule 13.09 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Listing Rules”) and the Inside Information Provisions (as defined under the Listing Rules) under Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) (the “SFO”).

The board of directors of the Company (the “Board”) wishes to inform the shareholders of the Company (the “Shareholders”) and potential investors that based on the preliminary assessment of the Group’s unaudited management accounts, the profit attributable to the owners of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2019 is expected to be restated from approximately HK\$18.9 million to approximately HK\$47.5 million as a result of applying the principles of merger accounting, as if the acquisition of the 60% equity interest in ETC Finance Limited by the Group, which was completed on 30 September 2019 and was accounted for as a business combination under common control, had occurred on the date at the beginning of the earliest financial years presented. For details, please refer to the Company’s announcements dated 18 June 2019, 13 August 2019 and 30 September 2019, respectively, as well as the Company’s circular dated 23 August 2019.

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Under the principles of merger accounting, the Group is expected to record a decrease by over 50% in profit attributable to owners of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2020 as compared to the restated comparable figure for the year ended 31 March 2019. Such decrease was mainly attributable to (i) decrease in charter service income from cruise ships; (ii) decrease in revenue from securities trading; and (iii) fair value losses on investment properties (2019: fair value gains). The decrease in profit attributable to owners of the Company was partially offset by (i) decrease in administrative expenses; (ii) decrease in foreign exchange losses; and (iii) decrease in deferred tax expense.

The information contained in this announcement is only a preliminary assessment based on the unaudited management accounts of the Group, which have not been audited or confirmed by the auditor and the audit committee of the Company. The Company is in the process of finalising the audited financial results of the Group for year ended 31 March 2020 which are expected to be published by the end of June 2020.

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On behalf of the Board
Ng Wee Keat
Chairman

Hong Kong, 15 June 2020

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. Ng Wee Keat (Chairman), Ms. Sio Ion Kuan (Deputy Chairman), Ms. Ng Siew Lang, Linda (Chief Operating Officer), Ms. Lilian Ng, Ms. Chen Ka Chee and Mr. Yu Wai Man as executive directors and Mr. Cheung Chun Kwok, Mr. Kwan Kai Kin, Kenneth and Mr. Ho Yau Ming as independent non-executive directors.