DESPATCH/COLLECTION OF SHARE CERTIFICATES/E-REFUND PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS/REFUND CHECKS

Applicants who applied for 1,000,000 Hong Kong Offer Shares or more through the **White Form eIPO** service and who have been successfully or partially successfully allocated Hong Kong Offer Shares and are eligible to collect share certificates in person may collect share certificates from the Hong Kong Share Registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Friday, October 30, 2020, or any other place or date we may notify.

Applicants being individuals who are eligible for personal collection cannot authorize any other person to make collection on their behalf. Individuals must produce, at the time of collection, evidence of identity acceptable to the Hong Kong Share Registrar.

Share certificates for Hong Kong Offer Shares allocated to applicants who applied through the **White Form eIPO** service which are either not available for personal collection or which are available but are not collected in person by 1:00 p.m. on Friday, October 30, 2020, are expected to be despatched by ordinary post to those entitled to them at their own risk on or before Friday, October 30, 2020.

Wholly or partially successful applicants who applied by giving electronic application instructions to HKSCC via CCASS will have their share certificates issued in the name of HKSCC Nominees Limited and deposited into CCASS for credit to their CCASS Investor Participant stock accounts or the stock accounts of their designated CCASS Participants who gave **electronic application instructions** on their behalf on Friday, October 30, 2020.

Applicants who applied through a designated CCASS Participant (other than a CCASS Investor Participant) should check the number of Hong Kong Offer Shares allocated to them and the amount of the refund monies payable to them (if any) with that CCASS Participant.

Applicants who applied as a CCASS Investor Participant by giving **electronic application instructions** to HKSCC via CCASS should check and report any discrepancies to HKSCC before 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 30, 2020 or such other date as shall be determined by HKSCC or HKSCC Nominees. Applicants who applied as a CCASS Investor Participant by giving **electronic application instructions** to HKSCC via CCASS may also check the results of their applications and the amount of refund monies payable to them via the CCASS Phone System and the CCASS Internet System (under the procedures contained in HKSCC's "An Operating Guide for Investor Participants" in effect from time to time) immediately after the crediting of the Hong Kong Offer Shares to the CCASS Investor Participants stock accounts and the crediting of refund monies to their bank accounts. HKSCC will also make available to the CCASS Investor Participants an activity statement showing the number of Hong Kong Offer Shares credited to their stock accounts and the refund amount credited to their respective designated bank accounts (if any).

Applicants who applied through the **White Form eIPO** service and paid the application monies from a single bank account will have refund monies (if any) despatched to their application payment accounts in the form of e-Refund payment instructions on Friday, October 30, 2020. Applicants who applied through the **White Form eIPO** service and paid the application monies from multiple bank accounts will have refund monies (if any) despatched to the addresses specified on their **White Form eIPO** applications in the form of refund check(s) by ordinary post at their own risk on or before Friday, October 30, 2020.

Refund monies for applicants who have applied by giving **electronic application instructions** to HKSCC via CCASS are expected to be credited to the relevant applicants' designated bank accounts or the designated bank accounts of their brokers or custodians on Friday, October 30, 2020.

Share certificates will only become valid certificates of title at 8:00 a.m. on the Listing Date which is expected to be Monday, November 2, 2020, provided that the Global Offering has become unconditional in all respects at or before that time and the right of termination described in the section headed "Underwriting – Underwriting Arrangements and Expenses – Hong Kong Public Offering – Grounds for Termination" in the Prospectus has not been exercised. We will not issue any temporary documents of title in respect of the Offer Shares and will not issue any receipt for application monies received.

COMMENCEMENT OF DEALINGS

Dealings in the Class A ordinary shares on the Main Board of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange are expected to commence at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, November 2, 2020. Class A ordinary shares of the Company will be traded in board lots of 100 Class A ordinary shares each. The stock code of the Company's Class A ordinary shares is 9698.

By order of the Board
GDS Holdings Limited
Mr. William Wei Huang
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, October 30, 2020

As at the date of this announcement, the board of directors of the Company comprises Mr. William Wei Huang as the chairman, Mr. Sio Tat Hiang as the vice-chairman, Mr. Satoshi Okada, Mr. Bruno Lopez, Mr. Lee Choong Kwong, and Mr. Gary J. Wojtaszek as directors, and Mr. Lim Ah Doo, Ms. Bin Yu, Mr. Zulkifli Baharudin, Mr. Chang Sun and Ms. Judy Qing Ye as independent directors.