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# Zhongzhi Pharmaceutical Holdings Limited 中智藥業控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability) (Stock Code: 3737)

# (1) GENERAL MANDATES TO REPURCHASE AND ISSUE SHARES (2) RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND (3) NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A notice convening an annual general meeting of Zhongzhi Pharmaceutical Holdings Limited to be held at Suite 2703, 27/F., Shui On Centre, 6-8 Harbour Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong on Tuesday, 18 May 2021 at 2:30 p.m. is set out in this circular.

A proxy form for use at the annual general meeting is enclosed with this circular. Whether or not you are able to attend the meeting, you are requested to complete the proxy form in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return the same to the branch share registrar and transfer office of the Company in Hong Kong, Union Registrars Limited, at Suites 3301-04, 33/F., Two Chinachem Exchange Square, 338 King's Road, North Point, Hong Kong as soon as possible and in any event not less than 48 hours (i.e. 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, 16 May 2021) before the time appointed for holding of the annual general meeting or any adjournment thereof. Completion and return of the proxy form will not preclude you from attending, and voting in person at the annual general meeting or any adjournment thereof and in such event, the proxy form shall be deemed to be revoked.

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In this circular, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the following meaning:

"AGM"	the annual general meeting of the Company to be held at Suite 2703, 27/F., Shui On Centre, 6-8 Harbour Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong on Tuesday, 18 May 2021 at 2:30 p.m., to consider and, if appropriate, to approve the resolutions contained in the notice of the AGM set out on pages 16 to 20 of this circular, or any adjournment thereof
"Articles"	the articles of association of the Company, adopted on 8 June 2015, and as amended from time to time
"Board"	the board of directors of the Company
"Cayman Companies Law"	the Companies Law, Cap. 22 (Law 3 of consolidated and restated) of the Cayman Islands
"Company"	Zhongzhi Pharmaceutical Holdings Limited, a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability whose shares are listed on the Stock Exchange (stock code: 3737)
"Cheer Lik"	Cheer Lik Development Limited, a limited liability company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands on 2 January 2014 and wholly-owned by Ms. Jiang Li Xia, a Controlling Shareholder
"Controlling Shareholder(s)"	has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules and, unless the context requires otherwise, refers to Mr. Lai Zhi Tian, Ms. Jiang Li Xia, Crystal Talent and Cheer Lik
"Crystal Talent"	Crystal Talent Investment Group Limited, a limited liability company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands on 25 July 2014 and wholly-owned by Mr. Lai Zhi Tian, a Controlling Shareholder
"Director(s)"	the director(s) of the Company
"Extension Mandate"	a general and unconditional mandate proposed to be granted to the Board to the effect that any Shares repurchased under the Repurchase Mandate will be added to the total number of Shares which may be allotted and issued under the Share Issue Mandate

# DEFINITIONS

"Group"	the Company and its subsidiaries
"HK\$"	the lawful currency of Hong Kong
"Hong Kong" or "HK"	the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC
"Latest Practicable Date"	7 April 2021, being the latest practicable date prior to the printing of this circular for the purpose of ascertaining certain information contained herein
"Listing Date"	13 July 2015, being the date on which dealings of the shares of the Company on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange first commenced
"Listing Rules"	The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
"Memorandum"	the memorandum of association of the Company, adopted on 8 June 2015, and as amended from time to time
"Nomination Committee"	the nomination committee of the Company
"PRC"	the People's Republic of China
"Register of Members"	the register of members of the Company
"Repurchase Mandate"	the general and unconditional mandate proposed to be granted to the Board to repurchase the Shares up to a maximum of 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of the passing the relevant resolution at the AGM
"SFO"	the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
"Share(s)"	ordinary share(s) of HK\$0.01 each in the issued share capital of the Company
"Shareholder(s)"	the shareholder(s) of the Company
"Share Issue Mandate"	the general and unconditional mandate proposed to be granted to the Board to allot, issue and otherwise deal with Shares not exceeding 20% of the total number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of the passing of the relevant resolution at the AGM

# DEFINITIONS

"Stock Exchange"	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
"Takeovers Code"	the Codes on Takeovers and Mergers and Share Buy-backs
"%"	per cent

#### LETTER FROM THE BOARD



# Zhongzhi Pharmaceutical Holdings Limited

中智藥業控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability) (Stock Code: 3737)

Executive Directors: Mr. Lai Zhi Tian (Chairman) Mr. Lai Ying Feng Mr. Cao Xiao Jun Mr. Cheng Jin Le

Non-executive Directors: Ms. Jiang Li Xia Mr. Yang Ai Xing

Independent Non-executive Directors: Mr. Ng Kwun Wan Mr. Wong Kam Wah Mr. Zhou Dai Han Registered Address: Windward 3 Regatta Office Park P.O. Box 1350 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 Cayman Islands

Principal Place of Business in Hong Kong: Unit 10B, 15/F Cable TV Tower 9 Hoi Shing Road Tsuen Wan, New Territories Hong Kong

15 April 2021

To the Shareholders

Dear Sir or Madam,

# (1) GENERAL MANDATES TO REPURCHASE AND ISSUE SHARES (2) RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND (3) NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this circular is to provide you with the relevant information regarding (i) the granting of the Repurchase Mandate, the Share Issue Mandate and the Extension Mandate; and (ii) the re-election of Directors; and to give you notice of the AGM at which resolutions will be proposed for the Shareholders to consider and, if thought fit, approve the aforesaid matters.

A notice convening the AGM is set out on pages 16 to 20 of this circular.

#### LETTER FROM THE BOARD

# 2. REPURCHASE MANDATE, SHARE ISSUE MANDATE AND EXTENSION MANDATE

Pursuant to the ordinary resolutions passed at the last annual general meeting of the Company held on 18 May 2020, the Board was granted the general and unconditional mandates to issue, allot and repurchase Shares. Such general mandates will expire upon the conclusion of the AGM. In order to ensure flexibility for the Board to issue, allot and repurchase Shares, ordinary resolutions will be proposed to seek for Shareholders' approval at the AGM to renew the Repurchase Mandate and to grant the Share Issue Mandate and the Extension Mandate. Details of such ordinary resolutions are set out in ordinary resolutions numbered 5, 6 and 7 in the notice of the AGM. The Repurchase Mandate, the Share Issue Mandate and the Extension Mandate, if approved at the AGM, will continue in force until (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company following the AGM; (ii) the expiry of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Articles or applicable laws to be held; or (iii) the revocation or variation of the authority given to the Directors by ordinary resolution by the Shareholders in general meeting, whichever occurs first.

An explanatory statement as required by the Listing Rules to provide the Shareholders with all the information reasonably necessary for them to make an informed decision on the proposed resolution for the granting of the Repurchase Mandate is set out in Appendix I to this circular.

#### 3. **RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the executive Directors are Mr. Lai Zhi Tian, Mr Lai Ying Feng, Mr. Cao Xiao Jun and Mr. Cheng Jin Le, the non-executive Directors are Ms. Jiang Li Xia and Mr. Yang Ai Xing and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Ng Kwun Wan, Mr. Wong Kam Wah and Mr. Zhou Dai Han.

Pursuant to Article 108(a) of the Company's Articles, one-third of the Directors or, if their number is not three or a multiple of three, then the number nearest to but not less than one-third shall retire from office by rotation at each annual general meeting. Accordingly, Mr. Lai Zhi Tian, Mr. Lai Ying Feng and Mr. Cheng Jin Le will retire at the AGM, and who being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

In accordance with the nomination policy of the Company and the objective criteria (including without limitation, gender, age, ethnicity, cultural and educational background, professional experiences and knowledge) with due regard for the benefits of diversity, as set out under the board diversity policy of the Company, the Nomination Committee has reviewed the re-election of the Directors through evaluating the performance and contribution of the retiring Directors during the last financial year of the Company and the period thereafter up to the date of evaluation.

After due evaluation and assessment, the Nomination Committee is of the opinion that the performance of the retiring Directors was satisfactory and contributed effectively to the operation of the Board.

#### LETTER FROM THE BOARD

Accordingly, the Nomination Committee recommended to the Board, and the Board has considered the re-election of Mr. Lai Zhi Tian, Mr. Lai Ying Feng and Mr. Cheng Jin Le as the executive Directors, is in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole and has resolved to propose to re-elect each of the retiring Directors at the AGM.

Biographical details of each of the retiring Directors who are proposed to be re-elected at the AGM are set out in Appendix II to this circular.

#### 4. THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A notice convening the AGM is set out on pages 16 to 20 of this circular. At the AGM, resolutions will be proposed to approve, *inter alia*, (i) the granting of the Repurchase Mandate, the Share Issue Mandate and the Extension Mandate; and (ii) the re-election of Directors.

Enclosed with this circular is a proxy form for use at the AGM. Whether or not you intend to attend the AGM or any adjournment thereof, you are requested to complete the proxy form in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return the same to the branch share registrar and transfer office of the Company in Hong Kong, Union Registrars Limited, at Suites 3301-04, 33/F., Two Chinachem Exchange Square, 338 King's Road, North Point, Hong Kong as soon as possible and in any event not less than 48 hours (i.e. 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, 16 May 2021) before the time fixed for holding the AGM or any adjournment thereof. Completion and return of the proxy form will not preclude you from attending and voting in person at the AGM or any adjournment thereof and in such event, your proxy form shall be deemed to be revoked.

Pursuant to Rule 13.39(4) of the Listing Rules, any vote of the Shareholders at a general meeting of the Company must be taken by way of poll, except where the chairman, in good faith, decides to allow a resolution which relates purely to a procedural or administrative matter to be voted on by a show of hands. Accordingly, the resolutions to be considered and, if thought fit, approved at the AGM will be voted by way of a poll by the Shareholders. Results of the poll voting will be published on the Company's website at www.zeus.cn and the website of the Stock Exchange at www.hkexnews.hk upon the closing of the AGM.

For the purposes of holding the AGM, the register of members of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, 12 May 2021 to Tuesday, 18 May 2021 (both days inclusive), for the purpose of determining the entitlement to attend and vote at the AGM to be held on Tuesday, 18 May 2021. In order to be eligible to attend and vote at the AGM, all transfer forms accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Union Registrars Limited, at Suites 3301-04, 33/F., Two Chinachem Exchange Square, 338 King's Road, North Point, Hong Kong not later than 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 11 May 2021.

#### 5. **RECOMMENDATION**

The Directors are of the opinion that all the proposed resolutions at the AGM, including but not limited to (i) the granting of the Repurchase Mandate, the Share Issue Mandate and the Extension Mandate; and (ii) the re-election of Directors are in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole. Accordingly, the Directors recommend that the Shareholders to vote in favor of all the resolutions proposed at the AGM. No Shareholder is required to abstain from voting in respect of any of the resolutions to be proposed at the AGM under the Listing Rules.

Yours faithfully, For and on behalf of the board of **Zhongzhi Pharmaceutical Holdings Limited** Lai Zhi Tian *Chairman* 

This Appendix serves as an explanatory statement, as required to be sent to all Shareholders under the Listing Rules, to provide the relevant information in connection with the Repurchase Mandate.

#### 1. LISTING RULES RELATING TO THE REPURCHASES OF SECURITIES

The Listing Rules permit companies whose primary listing is on the Stock Exchange to repurchase shares on the Stock Exchange and any other stock exchange on which securities of the company are listed and such exchange is recognised by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong subject to certain restrictions. Among such restrictions, the Listing Rules provide that the shares of such company must be fully paid up and all repurchases of shares by such company must be approved in advance by an ordinary resolution of shareholders, either by way of a general mandate or by specific approval of a particular transaction.

#### 2. EXERCISE OF THE REPURCHASE MANDATE

The Directors believe that the flexibility afforded by the mandate granted to them if the Repurchase Mandate is approved would be beneficial to the Company.

It is proposed that up to 10% of the issued and outstanding Shares as at the date of the passing of the resolution to approve the Repurchase Mandate may be repurchased. As at the Latest Practicable Date, 840,000,000 Shares were in issue and outstanding. Subject to the passing of the ordinary resolution set out in item 5 of the notice for the AGM and on the basis that no Shares are issued or repurchased by the Company between the Latest Practicable Date and the date of the AGM, the Board would be authorised to repurchase up to 84,000,000 Shares during the period up to: (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company; (ii) the expiry of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Articles or applicable laws to be held; or (iii) the revocation or variation of the Repurchase Mandate by ordinary resolution of the Shareholders at a general meeting of the Company, whichever occurs first.

#### 3. REASONS FOR REPURCHASES

Repurchases of Shares will only be made if the Board is of the view that such repurchases will benefit the Company and its Shareholders as a whole. Such repurchases may, depending on the market conditions and funding arrangements at the time, lead to an enhancement of the net value of the Company and its assets and/or its earnings per Share.

#### 4. FUNDING OF REPURCHASES

Any exercise of the Repurchase Mandate would be financed entirely from the Company's available cash flow or working capital. Any repurchases will be made out of funds of the Company that are legally permitted to be utilised in this connection in accordance with the Company's Memorandum and Articles, the Listing Rules and the applicable laws and regulations of the Cayman Islands.

On the basis of the financial position of the Company as at 31 December 2020 (being the date of its latest published audited financial statements) and taking into account the current working capital position of the Company and the number of Shares now in issue, the Directors consider that there will unlikely be any material adverse impact on the working capital or gearing position of the Company in the event that the Repurchase Mandate is to be exercised in full during the proposed repurchase period. The Directors confirm that no repurchase would be made to such extent as would, in the circumstances, have a material adverse impact on the working capital or gearing position of the Company.

#### 5. STATUS OF REPURCHASED SECURITIES

The Listing Rules provide that the listing of all repurchased securities is automatically cancelled and that the certificates for those securities must be cancelled and destroyed. The aggregate of the authorised share capital shall remain unchanged.

#### 6. INTENTION TO SELL SHARES

None of the Directors, and to the best of their knowledge, having made all reasonable enquiries, none of the close associates (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Directors, have any present intention, if the Repurchase Mandate is approved by the Shareholders, to sell any Shares to the Company or its subsidiaries.

#### 7. DIRECTORS' UNDERTAKING

The Directors have undertaken to the Stock Exchange that, so far as the same may be applicable, they will exercise the power of the Company to make purchases pursuant to the Repurchase Mandate in accordance with the Company's Memorandum and Articles, the Listing Rules and the applicable laws and regulations of the Cayman Islands.

#### 8. SHARE REPURCHASE MADE BY THE COMPANY

No repurchases of Shares have been made by the Company during the six months prior to the Latest Practicable Date (whether on the Stock Exchange or otherwise).

#### 9. TAKEOVERS CODE CONSEQUENCES

If, as a result of a repurchase of Shares by the Company, a Shareholder's proportionate interest in the voting rights of the Company increases, such increase will be treated as an acquisition for the purpose of Rule 32 of the Takeovers Code. As a result, a Shareholder, or group of Shareholders acting in concert, depending on the level of increase of its or their shareholding, could obtain or consolidate control of the Company and become obliged to make a mandatory offer in accordance with Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, according to the register kept by the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO and so far as is known to, or can be ascertained after reasonable enquiry by the Directors, Mr. Lai Zhi Tian through himself and Crystal Talent is interested in 472,281,000 Shares, Ms. Jiang Li Xia through Cheer Lik is interested in 42,240,000 Shares and Mr. Lai Ying Feng is interested in 5,990,000 Shares (respectively representing approximately 56.22%, 5.03% and 0.71% of the total issued Shares of the Company as at the Latest Practicable Date) (the "Group of Shareholders"). The Group of Shareholders are together entitled to exercise or control the exercise of approximately 61.96% of voting power of the Company. In the event that the Directors exercise in full the power to repurchase Shares which is proposed to be granted pursuant to the resolution, the shareholding interest of the Controlling Shareholders in the Company would be increased to approximately 68.85% of the issued shares of the Company and such an increase would not give rise to an obligation to make a mandatory offer under Rules 26 and 32 of the Takeovers Code. The Directors have no present intention to repurchase Shares to an extent which will result in the number Shares held by the public reduced to less than 25%.

#### **10. MARKET PRICES**

The highest and lowest prices at which the Shares have traded on the Stock Exchange during each of the previous twelve months up to the Latest Practicable Date were as follows:

	Traded market price	
	Highest	Lowest
	HK\$	HK\$
2020		
April	1.35	1.18
May	1.25	0.98
June	1.20	1.00
July	1.33	1.04
August	1.99	1.31
September	1.88	1.50
October	1.63	1.51
November	1.73	1.51
December	1.74	1.63
2021		
January	1.72	1.58
February	1.85	1.59
March	1.82	1.27
April*	1.26	1.24

\* Up to the Latest Practicable Date

# 11. INTENTION OF CORE CONNECTED PERSON(S) TO SELL SHARES TO THE COMPANY

No core connected person (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company has notified the Company that he/she/it has a present intention to sell Shares to the Company nor has he/she/it undertaken not to sell any of the Shares held by him/her/it to the Company in the event that the Company is authorised to make purchases of Shares.

#### **APPENDIX II**

Biographical details of the Directors proposed to be re-elected at the AGM are set out as follows:

(1) Mr. Lai Zhi Tian (賴智填) ("Mr. Lai"), aged 53, is the founder, Controlling Shareholder, an executive Director and chairman of the Board. He is also a member of each of the remuneration committee and the nomination committee of the Company. He joined our Group on 27 September 1999 and is responsible for formulating the corporate strategies and planning the business development of our Group. He is the spouse of Ms. Jiang Li Xia, a non-executive Director and father of Mr. Lai Ying Feng, an executive Director and Mr. Lai Ying Sheng, a chief financial officer.

Mr. Lai has over 30 years of experience in the pharmaceutical industry and has extensive experience in pharmaceutical products development, manufacturing and distribution. From September 1981 to April 1994, he worked as a salesperson at the Puning Chang Mei Herbs Shop\* (普寧市長美藥材站). From May 1994 to September 1998, he worked as a salesperson at Zhongshan Herbs Company\* (中山市藥材公司). Mr. Lai was a manager of Zhongshan Zhongzhi Pharmaceutical Group Co., Ltd. (中山市中智藥業集團有限公司) ("Zhongzhi Pharmaceutical") before its transformation from a collective enterprise to a limited liability company. In September 1999, he became a shareholder of our Group. Under the leadership of Mr. Lai, our Group's business expanded from the distribution of pharmaceutical products to the operation of chain pharmacies and the production of pharmaceutical products.

Mr. Lai is currently the vice chairman of China Pharmaceutical Materials Association\* (中國醫藥物資協會) and the president of Guangdong Pharmacies Union\* (廣東藥店聯盟). Mr. Lai is an adjunct associate professor and a mentor of the Master's programme at the Research Centre of Chinese Herbal Resources (Science and Engineering)\* (中藥資源科學與工程研究中心) of Guangzhou University of Chinese Medicine\* (廣州中醫藥大學).

Mr. Lai has entered into a service agreement with the Company for an initial fixed term of three years commencing from the Listing Date and shall continue thereafter until terminated by either party by giving to the other party not less than three months' notice in writing at any time after such initial fixed term.

Pursuant to the service agreement, Mr. Lai is entitled to HK\$500,000 per annum (excluding payment pursuant to any discretionary benefits or bonus, granting of share options, or other fringe benefits) for his appointment as an executive Director and may also be entitled to a discretionary bonus if so recommended by the remuneration committee of the Company and approved by the Board having regard to the operating results of the Group and his performance.

<sup>\*</sup> The English name is for identification purpose only

#### **APPENDIX II**

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Lai holds 514,521,000 Shares within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO. Save as disclosed above, Mr. Lai does not have any interests in the Shares within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, (i) Mr. Lai has not held any directorships in the past three years in any listed companies in Hong Kong or overseas; (ii) Mr. Lai has not held any other positions in the Company or any of its subsidiaries; (iii) Mr. Lai does not have any relationship with any other directors, chief executives, senior management, substantial, controlling or management shareholders of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any of their respective associates; (iv) Mr. Lai does not have any interests in the Shares within the meaning of Part XV of SFO; and (v) there is no information relating to Mr. Lai that is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules or any other matter concerning Mr. Lai that needs to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders.

(2) Mr. Lai Ying Feng (賴穎豐) ("Mr. Steve Lai"), aged 29, was appointed as the executive Director on 14 May 2018, chief executive of the Company on 24 March 2021 and is a member of each of the remuneration committee and the nomination committee of the Company. He joined the Group since April 2014 and has served as a director of sales in several sales divisions, helping to formulate sales strategies, and has served as the head of branding for the Company, leading the Group's brand and marketing strategies. Since July 2016, Mr. Lai has served as a director of Zhongshan Zhongzhi Pharmaceutical Group Co., Ltd.\* (中山市中智藥業集團有限公司), a subsidiary of the Company, mainly responsible for organizing the formulation of business plan of the Company, investment and financing plan, and making decisions on major issues. He is the son of Mr. Lai Zhi Tian, an executive Director and Ms. Jiang Li Xia, a non-executive Director, and brother to Mr. Lai Ying Sheng, a chief financial officer.

In July 2014, Mr. Steve Lai obtained a bachelor's degree in economics from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences at Simon Fraser University in Canada and obtained a qualification certificate for the secretary of the board. Since April 2016, Mr. Steve Lai has also been the vice president of the 1st Youth Entrepreneurs Association of Zhongshan Torch Hi-tech Industrial Development Zone\*(第一屆中山 火炬高技術產業開發區青年企業家協會).

Mr. Steve Lai has entered into a service agreement with the Company for a term of three years commencing on 14 May 2018 and shall continue thereafter until terminated by either party by giving to the other party not less than three months' notice in writing at any time after such initial fixed term to the other.

Pursuant to the service agreement, Mr. Steve Lai is entitled to HK\$300,000 per annum (excluding payment pursuant to any discretionary benefits or bonus, granting of share options, or other fringe benefits) for his appointment as an executive Director and may also be entitled to a discretionary bonus if so recommended by the remuneration committee of the Company and approved by the Board having regard to the operation results of the Group and his performance. There is no service contract in relation to the appointment of Mr. Steve Lai as the chief executive and is not entitled to receive any emolument as the chief executive.

<sup>\*</sup> The English name is for identification purpose only

#### **APPENDIX II**

Mr. Steve Lai had the following interest in the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO as at the Latest Practicable Date:

#### Capacity

#### No. of issued ordinary Shares held

Beneficially owned

5,990,000

Save as disclosed above, (i) Mr. Steve Lai has not held any directorships in the past three years in any listed companies in Hong Kong or overseas; (ii) Mr. Steve Lai has not held any other positions in the Company or any of its subsidiaries; (iii) Mr. Steve Lai does not have any relationship with any other directors, chief executives, senior management, substantial, controlling or management shareholders of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any of their respective associates; (iv) Mr. Steve Lai does not have any interests in the Shares within the meaning of Part XV of SFO ; and (v) there is no information relating to Mr. Steve Lai that is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules or any other matter concerning Mr. Steve Lai that needs to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders.

(3) Mr. Cheng Jin Le (成金樂) ("Mr. Cheng"), aged 58, was appointed as the executive Director on 19 September 2016 and is the vice president and chief engineer of the Group. He joined our Group in June 2003 and is responsible for overseeing the research and development of decoction pieces. Mr. Cheng is a licensed pharmacist\* (執業中藥師) in the People's Republic of China and has over 35 years of experience in the pharmaceutical industry. Prior to joining our Group, he served as the chief pharmacist of Chinese medicine in the Hubei Macheng People's Hospital\* (湖北麻城市人民醫院). Mr. Cheng is also an adjunct professor in the Guangzhou University of Chinese Medicine\* (廣州中醫藥大學) since December 2007 and the chairman of the Zhongshan Pharmaceutical Association\* (中山市藥學會) since November 2013.

Mr. Cheng has entered into a service agreement with the Company for a term of three years commencing on 19 September 2016 and shall continue thereafter until terminated by either party by giving to the other party not less than three months' notice in writing at any time after such initial fixed term.

Pursuant to the service agreement, Mr. Cheng is entitled to HK\$300,000 per annum (excluding payment pursuant to any discretionary benefits or bonus, granting of share options, or other fringe benefits) for his appointment as an executive Director and may also be entitled to a discretionary bonus if so recommended by the remuneration committee of the Company and approved by the Board having regard to the operating results of the Group and his performance.

<sup>\*</sup> The English name is for identification purpose only

Save as disclosed above, (i) Mr. Cheng has not held any directorships in the past three years in any listed companies in Hong Kong or overseas; (ii) Mr. Cheng has not held any other positions in the Company or any of its subsidiaries; (iii) Mr. Cheng does not have any relationship with any other directors, chief executives, senior management, substantial, controlling or management shareholders of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any of their respective associates; (iv) Mr. Cheng does not have any interests in the Shares within the meaning of Part XV of SFO ; and (v) there is no information relating to Mr. Cheng that is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules or any other matter concerning Mr. Cheng that needs to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders.



# Zhongzhi Pharmaceutical Holdings Limited

中智藥業控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability) (Stock Code: 3737)

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the annual general meeting of Zhongzhi Pharmaceutical Holdings Limited (the "**Company**") will be held at Suite 2703, 27/F., Shui On Centre, 6-8 Harbour Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong on Tuesday, 18 May 2021 at 2:30 p.m. (the "**AGM**"), for the following purposes:

#### **ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS**

As ordinary business to consider and, if thought fit, pass, with or without modification, the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions:

- 1. to receive and approve the audited consolidated financial statements and the reports of the directors (the "**Directors**") and the auditor of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2020;
- 2. (a) to re-elect Mr. Lai Zhi Tian as an executive director of the Company;
  - (b) to re-elect Mr. Lai Ying Feng as an executive director of the Company; and
  - (c) to re-elect Mr. Cheng Jin Le as an executive director of the Company.
- to authorise the Board to fix the remuneration of all the Directors for the year ending 31 December 2021;
- 4. to re-appoint Ernst & Young as the auditor of the Company and to authorise the Board to fix their remuneration for the year ending 31 December 2021;

As special business to consider and, if thought fit, pass, with or without modification, the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions:

#### 5. **"THAT**:

(a) subject to paragraphs (b) and (c) below, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to purchase shares of HK\$0.01 each in the capital of the Company (the "Shares") on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") or any other stock exchange recognised for this purpose by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong and the Stock Exchange in accordance with all

applicable laws including the Hong Kong Code on Share Repurchases and the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "Listing **Rules**") as amended from time to time be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;

- (b) the total number of Shares which may be purchased or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be purchased by the Directors pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above shall not exceed 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of passing this resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (c) for the purposes of this resolution:

"**Relevant Period**" means the period from the passing of this resolution until the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiry of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the articles of association of the Company (the "Articles") or the applicable laws to be held; and
- (iii) the revocation or variation of the authority given to the Directors under this resolution by ordinary resolution of the Company's shareholders in general meeting."
- 6. **"THAT**:
  - (a) subject to paragraph (c) below, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional Shares and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such powers be and are hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
  - (b) the approval in paragraph (a) shall authorise the Directors during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such powers after the end of the Relevant Period;
  - (c) the total number of Shares allotted, issued and dealt with or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted, issued and dealt with (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) by the Directors pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined), (ii) the exercise of options granted under any share option scheme adopted by the Company or (iii) any scrip dividend or similar arrangement providing for the allotment of Shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on Shares in accordance with the Articles, shall not exceed the aggregate of 20% of the total number of issued shares of the Company at the date of passing this resolution and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and

(d) for the purposes of this Resolution:

"**Relevant Period**" means the period from the passing of this resolution until the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiry of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Articles or the applicable laws to be held;
- (iii) the revocation or variation of the authority given to the Directors under this resolution by ordinary resolution of the Company's Shareholders in general meetings; and

"**Rights Issue**" means an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the Directors to holders of Shares on the register of members of the Company on a fixed record date in proportion to their holdings of such Shares (subject to such exclusion or other arrangements as the Directors may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or having regard to any legal or practical restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of, any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in any territory applicable to the Company) and an offer, allotment or issue of shares by way of rights shall be construed accordingly."

#### 7. **"THAT**:

Subject to the passing of resolutions numbered 5 and 6 set out in this notice of the AGM, the total number of Shares which are to be purchased by the Company pursuant to the authority granted to the Directors under resolution numbered 5 set out in this notice of the AGM shall be added to the total number of Shares that may be allotted or agreed to be allotted by the Directors pursuant to resolution numbered 6 set out in this notice of the AGM."

By order of the board Zhongzhi Pharmaceutical Holdings Limited Lai Zhi Tian Chairman

#### Hong Kong, 15 April 2021

Registered office:

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Unit 10B, 15/F
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#### Notes:

- 1. Any Shareholder who is entitled to attend and vote at the AGM is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend and, on a poll, vote on his behalf.
- 2. In order to be valid, a form of proxy, together with the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed, or a notarially certified copy thereof, must be deposited at the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Union Registrars Limited, at Suites 3301-04, 33/F., Two Chinachem Exchange Square, 338 King's Road, North Point, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours (i.e. 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, 16 May 2021) before the time for holding the AGM. Completion and return of a form of proxy will not preclude a member from attending and voting in person if he is subsequently able to be present and in such event the form of proxy shall be deemed revoked.
- 3. The instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing under the hand of the appointor or of his attorney duly authorised in writing or, if the appointor is a corporation, either under its common seal or under the hand of an officer or attorney or other person duly authorised.

- 4. Where there are joint registered holders of any Share, any one of such persons may vote at any meeting, either personally or by proxy, in respect of such Share as if he were solely entitled thereto; but if more than one of such joint holders be present at any meeting personally or by proxy, that one of the said persons so present whose name stands first on the Register in respect of such Share shall alone be entitled to vote in respect thereof.
- 5. In relation to the ordinary resolution set out in item 5 of this notice, the Directors wish to state that they will exercise the powers conferred thereby to repurchase Shares in circumstances which they deem appropriate or for the benefit of the Shareholders. The explanatory statement containing the information necessary to enable the Shareholders to make an informed decision on whether to vote for or against the resolution to approve the repurchase by the Company of its own Shares is set out in Appendix I of the circular on, amongst others, general mandate to repurchase and issue shares to be published by the Company on 13 April 2021.
- 6. In relation to the ordinary resolution set out in item 6 of this notice, the Directors wish to state that they have no immediate plans to issue any new shares of the Company.
- 7. For the purposes of holding the AGM, the register of members of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, 12 May 2021 to Tuesday, 18 May 2021 (both days inclusive), for the purpose of determining the entitlement to attend and vote at the AGM to be held on Tuesday, 18 May 2021. In order to be eligible to attend and vote at the AGM, all transfer forms accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Union Registrars Limited, at Suites 3301-04, 33/F., Two Chinachem Exchange Square, 338 King's Road, North Point, Hong Kong not later than 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 11 May 2021.
- 8. If Typhoon Signal No. 8 or above is hoisted, or a "black" rainstorm warning signal or "extreme conditions after super typhoons" announced by the Government of Hong Kong is/are in force in Hong Kong at or at any time after 10:00 a.m. on the date of the meeting, the meeting will be postponed. The Company will publish an announcement on the website of the Company at www.zeus.cn and on the website of the Stock Exchange at www.hkexnews.hk to notify Shareholders of the date, time and venue of the rescheduled meeting.

As at the date of this notice, the Directors of the Company are:

Executive Directors: Mr. Lai Zhi Tian (Chairman) Mr. Lai Ying Feng Mr. Cao Xiao Jun Mr. Cheng Jin Le

Non-executive Directors: Ms. Jiang Li Xia Mr. Yang Ai Xing

Independent Non-executive Directors: Mr. Ng Kwun Wan Mr. Wong Kam Wah Mr. Zhou Dai Han