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中遠海運控股股份有限公司
COSCO SHIPPING Holdings Co., Ltd.*

(a joint stock limited company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 1919)

PRELIMINARY RESULTS FOR THE YEAR 2021

This announcement is made by COSCO SHIPPING Holdings Co., Ltd.* (the “**Company**”, together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) pursuant to Rules 13.09 and 13.10B 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 major financial data for the year ended 31 December 2021 (the “**Reporting Period**”) set out in this announcement, which are the preliminary data prepared in accordance with the Chinese Accounting Standards for Business Enterprises and the Listing Rules of the Shanghai Stock Exchange, have not been audited by the auditors of the Company. The final financial data shall be disclosed in the annual report of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The Company expects that the audited financial results of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2021 will be issued on or before 31 March 2022 in accordance with the requirements under the Listing Rules.

I. MAJOR FINANCIAL DATA AND INDICATORS FOR YEAR 2021

Unit: RMB 100 million

Item	Reporting Period	Same period of last year	Increase/Decrease (%)
Operating revenue	3,336.94	1,712.59	94.85
Operating profit	1,282.42	139.31	820.53
Total profit	1,279.49	139.48	817.35
Net profit attributable to equity holders of the Company	892.96	99.27	799.52
Net profit attributable to equity holders of the Company, net of non-recurring gain or loss	891.79	95.93	829.58
Basic earnings per share (RMB Yuan)	5.59	0.62	801.61
		(as restated upon adjustment for ex-rights)	
Weighted average return on net assets	101.15%	25.05%	Increase by 76.1 percentage points
		As at the beginning of the Reporting Period	
	As at the end of the Reporting Period	Reporting Period	Increase/Decrease (%)
Total assets	4,136.68	2,719.26	52.13
Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company	1,330.22	439.14	202.92
Share capital	160.14	122.60	30.63
Net assets per share attributable to equity holders of the Company (RMB Yuan)	8.31	2.76	201.09
		(as restated upon adjustment for ex-rights)	

II. DESCRIPTION ON OPERATING RESULTS AND FINANCIAL POSITION

(i) Operating Results, Financial Position and Main Reasons Affecting Operating Results

In 2021, under the influence of multiple factors including repeated COVID-19 pandemic, increasing demand and restricted supply, the global supply chain was confronting the challenges and impacts from congestion of ports, shortage of containers and delay of inland transportation, which resulted in a tense supply-demand relationship. During the Reporting Period, the average value of the China Containerized Freight Index (CCFI) was 2,615.54 points, representing an increase of 165.69% as compared to that for the same period of last year. The Company overcame multiple effect including the global pandemic, actively integrated into the development of domestic and international dual circulation, and fully played the supporting role of the supply chains of container logistics. The Company always adhered to the customer-oriented philosophy and adopted the measures such as increasing shipping capacity, securing container supplies and optimizing services, to guarantee its provision of global transportation services.

According to the preliminary estimation of the Company, during the Reporting Period, the shipping volume (TEU) of the container shipping business of the Company is expected to be approximately 26.912 million TEUs, representing an increase of 0.5675 million TEUs or approximately 2.15% as compared to that of the same period of last year; earnings before interest and tax (EBIT) of the Company is expected to be approximately RMB131.543 billion, representing an increase of approximately RMB113.511 billion or approximately 629.51% as compared to that of the same period of last year; net profit attributable to shareholders is expected to be approximately RMB89.296 billion, representing an increase of approximately RMB79.369 billion or approximately 799.52% as compared to that of the same period of last year. During the Reporting Period, the Company actively optimized its financial structure. As at the end of 2021, the undistributed profit in the balance sheet of the parent company is expected to be approximately RMB27.78 billion, laying a foundation for the implementation of dividend distribution in cash for the year 2021. Meanwhile, based on the principle of mutual benefit and win-win, the Company insisted on the service-oriented nature of the shipping industry, intensified its efforts to enter into long-term service agreements with strategic customers and direct customers, gradually increased the proportion of direct customers and continued to expand the cooperation areas with customers in order to lay a solid foundation for high-quality development in the future.

(ii) The Main Reasons for Major Financial Data with over 30% Fluctuation in the Table above

1. Other than “share capital”, the change of other items of over 30% in the above table was mainly due to the significant improvement of in the Company’s overall performance for the year 2021 as compared to that of the same period of last year. For more details, please refer to “II (i) Operating Results, Financial Position and Main Reasons Affecting Operating Results”.
2. The change of share capital of over 30% in the above table was due to the reason that the Company issued three (3) shares for every ten (10) shares to all its shareholders under the 2020 capitalization of surplus proposal in 2021 and the Company issued additional shares due to the exercise of the share options granted under the A share option incentive scheme during the exercise period.

(iii) Business performance as of 2022

Since 2022, major ports in Europe and the United States have continued to be congested and the freight rates of trunk routes have remained stable; and the Company has actively taken effective measures to guarantee that its provision of global transportation services with the export voyages of major east-west services would remain fully loaded, thereby resulting in its normal production and operation and its healthy financial conditions.

III. RISK WARNING

The major financial data for 2021 as set out in this announcement, which are preliminary data, have not been audited by the auditors of the Company. The details of the data will be disclosed in the annual report of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2021. Investors are reminded to pay attention to the investment risks involved.

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

By Order of the Board
COSCO SHIPPING Holdings Co., Ltd.*
Guo Huawei
Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 10 March 2022

As at the date of this announcement, the directors of the Company are Mr. WAN Min¹ (Chairman), Mr. HUANG Xiaowen¹ (Vice Chairman), Mr. YANG Zhijian¹, Mr. FENG Boming¹, Mr. WU Dawei², Mr. ZHOU Zhonghui², Mr. TEO Siong Seng² and Prof. MA, Si Hang Frederick².

¹ *Executive director*

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