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## **APPLICATION FOR ADDITION OF A RMB COUNTER**

This announcement is made by BOC Hong Kong (Holdings) Limited on a voluntary basis.

The Board of Directors of the Company (the "**Board**") is pleased to announce that on 14 March 2023, the Company has submitted an application to The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "**Stock Exchange**") for an addition of a Renminbi (RMB) counter for the shares of the Company to indicate our support to the new Hong Kong Dollar-RMB Dual Counter Model (the "**Dual Counter Model**") proposed by the Stock Exchange.

The Company believes that the Dual Counter Model will help promoting investors' interest in RMB counter, enhance the liquidity and the depth of the offshore RMB market in Hong Kong. The Company is keen to support relevant initiatives of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in the development of the RMB business in Hong Kong, strive to leverage our solid position in RMB business and continuously contribute to the promotion of RMB internationalisation and the building of offshore RMB business centre in Hong Kong.

According to an announcement of the Stock Exchange, the Stock Exchange will announce the commencement date of the Dual Counter Model and publish the designated list of dual counter securities in due course.

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

By Order of the Board LUO Nan Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 14 March 2023

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. LIU Liange\* (Chairman), Mr LIU Jin\* (Vice Chairman), Mr SUN Yu (Vice Chairman and Chief Executive), Mr LIN Jingzhen\*, Madam CHENG Eva\*\*, Dr CHOI Koon Shum\*\*, Madam FUNG Yuen Mei Anita\*\*, Mr KOH Beng Seng\*\*, Mr LAW Yee Kwan Quinn\*\*, Mr LEE Sunny Wai Kwong\*\* and Mr TUNG Savio Wai-Hok\*\*.

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- \*\* Independent Non-executive Directors