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APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The board (the "Board") of directors (the "Directors") of Qidian International Co., Ltd. (the "Company", together with its subsidiaries, the "Group") is pleased to announce that Mr. Zhuang Liangbao (莊良寶) ("Mr. Zhuang") has been appointed as an executive Director of the Company with effect from 28 August 2023.

Mr. Zhuang, aged 61, is currently the executive director and chief financial officer of Shenzhen Qidian Education Technology Co., Ltd. (深圳奇點求學科技有限公司), a non-wholly owned subsidiary of the Company.

Prior to joining the Group, Mr. Zhuang served as a secretary to the board, a deputy general manager and a director of Beijing Shengshang Entrepreneurial Technology Co., Ltd. (北京聖商創業科技有限公司) from November 2020 to July 2023. He held the positions as a deputy general manager and a director of Suzhou Gold Mantis Construction Decoration Co., Ltd (蘇州金螳螂建築装飾股份有限公司), whose shares are listed on the Shenzhen Stock Exchange (stock code: 002081), from April 2004 to April 2013. From December 2000 to September 2003, Mr. Zhuang worked as the board secretary, head of finance department and deputy general manager at Zhejiang Huahai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (浙江華海藥業股份有限公司), whose shares are listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange (stock code: 600521). From October 1995 to December 2000, he served as the finance manager and finance director at Suzhou New District Hi-Tech Industrial Co., Ltd. (蘇州新區高新技術產業股份有限公司), whose shares are listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange (stock code: 600736).

Mr. Zhuang was the director of Suzhou Jinchi Commercial Development Co., Ltd.* (蘇州金池商業發展有限公司), which was established in the PRC and was deregistered on 14 December 2010.

Mr. Zhuang received a master's degree in Regional Economics at East China Normal University (華東師範大學) in July 2001. Mr. Zhuang has been a certified public accountant in the People's Republic of China (the "**PRC**") since October 1994 and has held the title of a senior economist (高級經濟師) since October 2010.

Mr. Zhuang has entered into a service contract with the Company as an executive Director, for a term of three years commencing from 28 August 2023 and the appointment can be terminated by either party by giving not less than three months' prior notice in writing to the other. As a Director, Mr. Zhuang is subject to retirement by rotation and his office can be vacated in accordance with the articles of association of the Company. Mr. Zhuang, in his capacity as an executive Director, does not receive any director's fee or remuneration.

As at the date of this announcement, save as disclosed above, Mr. Zhuang confirms that he (i) has not held any other directorships in any other public companies the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas in the last three years; (ii) does not have any other major appointments and professional qualifications; (iii) does not have any relationship with any Directors, senior management, substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company (having the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules); and (iv) is not interested in any shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Future Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong).

Save as disclosed above, the Board is not aware of any information relating to the appointment of Mr. Zhuang required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules and there is no other matter which needs to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company in relation to Mr. Zhuang's appointment as an executive Director.

The Board takes this opportunity to extend a warm welcome to Mr. Zhuang for joining the Board.

By Order of the Board

Qidian International Co., Ltd.

Yuan Li

Chairman

Yangzhou, PRC, 28 August 2023

As at the date of this announcement, the Board of Directors of the Company comprises three executive Directors, namely Mr. Yuan Li, Mr. Xu Xinying and Mr. Zhuang Liangbao; one non-executive Director, namely Ms. Xu Honghong, and three independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Zhang Yihua, Mr. Chen Rui and Mr. Fung Tak Choi.