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## E-House (China) Enterprise Holdings Limited 易居(中國)企業控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 2048)

# NOTICE OF FILING OF THE VERIFIED PETITION FOR (I) RECOGNITION OF FOREIGN MAIN PROCEEDING (II) RECOGNITION OF FOREIGN REPRESENTATIVE AND (III) CERTAIN RELATED RELIEF

This announcement is made by E-House (China) Enterprise Holdings Limited (易居(中國)企業 控股有限公司) (the "Company") pursuant to Rule 13.09(2) 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 in the Listing Rules) under Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong).

Unless otherwise defined herein, terms used in this Notice have the same meanings as in the explanatory statement (the "Explanatory Statement") relating to the proposed schemes of arrangement between the Company and the Scheme Creditors under (i) section 86 of the Companies Act (2023 Revision) (the "Cayman Scheme") and (ii) under Sections 670 to 674 of the Companies Ordinance (Cap. 622) (the "HK Scheme", and together with the Cayman Scheme, the "Schemes") and the announcement of the Company dated 28 November 2023. Copies of the Schemes and the Explanatory Statement are available to download from the Scheme Website (https://www.dfkingltd.com/e-house/) or from the Company's website (https://ir.ehousechina.com/en/announcements-and-circulars/).

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that on 15 February 2024 (Hong Kong time), Alexander Lawson, in his capacity as the duly authorized foreign representative (the "Foreign Representative" or the "Petitioner") of the Company that is subject to a foreign restructuring proceeding entitled *In the Matter of E-House (China) Enterprise Holding Limited* (the "Cayman Proceeding") concerning the Cayman Scheme, filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 15 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Code") for the Company and the *Verified Petition for (I) Recognition of Foreign Main Proceeding, (II) Recognition of Foreign Representative, and (III) Certain Related Relief* (collectively, the "Verified Petition") with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Court").

Among other things, the Verified Petition requests entry of an order recognizing the Cayman Proceeding as a foreign main proceeding pursuant to section 1517 of the Code, granting related relief pursuant to section 1520 of the Code, enforcing the Cayman Scheme, the Cayman Proceeding, the Cayman Scheme Meetings Convening Order and the Cayman Scheme Sanction Order (such orders, the "Cayman Orders"), and granting certain additional relief pursuant to sections 105, 1507, and 1521 of the Code. Such Verified Petition is not an application for liquidation or winding-up of the Company. The Company is a company incorporated with limited liability in the Cayman Islands and is currently progressing normally with the Schemes to effect the Restructuring. Since the Old Notes are governed by the laws of the State of New York, the Company filed the Verified Petition under chapter 15 of title 11 of the United States Code to request for, among other things, (i) entry of an order recognizing the Cayman Proceeding as a foreign main proceeding, (ii) enforcing the Cayman Scheme, the Cayman Proceeding and the Cayman Orders, and (iii) granting related relief. The Company believes that the Verified Petition is an ordinary process made in accordance with the Cayman Scheme and the Company's debt restructuring plan. As of the date of this announcement, the Company's business operations remain normal. The Company will make a further announcement regarding the hearing date for the Court to consider the relief requested in the Verified Petition.

It is anticipated that the Court may communicate directly with, or request information or assistance directly from, the Cayman Court and/or the Foreign Representative pursuant to section 1525 of the Code.

Copies of the Verified Petition and all other documents filed in this case can be accessed from the Court's website, <a href="http://ecf.nysb.uscourts.gov">http://ecf.nysb.uscourts.gov</a> (a PACER login and password are required to retrieve documents), free of charge by visiting the Case Website at <a href="https://cases.ra.kroll.com/EHouse2024">https://cases.ra.kroll.com/EHouse2024</a>, or upon request to Kroll, the Noticing Agent, at (844) 488-3210 (toll free in the United States or Canada) or toll internationally at +1 (646) 777-2198 or to counsel to the Foreign Representative. Inquiries regarding the Chapter 15 Case may also be directed to the Noticing Agent at EHouse2024Info@ra.kroll.com.

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#### Only in respect of the Cayman Scheme:

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The CB Holder should direct any questions in relation to this Notice, the Explanatory Statement, the CB Holder Voting Form, the Schemes or the Restructuring to the Company at ir@ehousechina.com.

For Company Announcements regarding the Cayman Scheme or the HK Scheme, including those relevant for Blocked Scheme Creditors, and relevant documentation regarding the Cayman Scheme and the HK Scheme:

Company's Website: https://ir.ehousechina.com/en/announcements-and-circulars/

Further announcement(s) will be made by the Company to inform shareholders and other investors of the Company of any material developments in relation to the proposed offshore debt restructuring under the Schemes as and when appropriate.

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

By order of the Board
E-House (China) Enterprise Holdings Limited
Zhou Xin
Chairman

Hong Kong, 15 February 2024

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. Zhou Xin as Chairman and executive Director, Mr. Huang Canhao, Dr. Cheng Li-Lan and Dr. Ding Zuyu as executive Directors, Ms. Jiang Shanshan, Mr. Yang Yong, Mr. Song Jiajun and Mr. Chen Daiping as non-executive Directors, and Mr. Zhang Bang, Mr. Zhu Hongchao, Mr. Wang Liqun and Mr. Li Jin as independent non-executive Directors.