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## CHINA MERCHANTS CHINA DIRECT INVESTMENTS LIMITED 招商局中國基金有限公司

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 133)

## PROPOSED CHANGE OF AUDITOR

This announcement is made by the board of directors (the "**Board**") of China Merchants China Direct Investments Limited (the "**Company**") pursuant to Rule 13.51(4) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

The Board announces that Messrs. Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu ("**Deloitte**") will retire as the auditor of the Company (the "**Auditor**") at the conclusion of the forthcoming annual general meeting of the Company (the "**AGM**").

Deloitte has served as the Auditor for more than 20 years since 1997. Having regard to the length of Deloitte's tenure, the Board considers that the rotation of the Auditor after an appropriate period of time is a good corporate practice. The Board is of the view that such rotation would enhance the independence, objectivity and effectiveness of the external audit on the Company, and would be in the best interest of the Company and its shareholders as a whole. The Board has resolved, with the recommendation of its audit committee, to propose the appointment of Messrs. PricewaterhouseCoopers as the new Auditor effective immediately following the retirement of Deloitte at the conclusion of the AGM, subject to the approval of shareholders of the Company at the AGM.

The Company has received a letter from Deloitte confirming that there are no circumstances connected with its retirement that need to be brought to the attention of the Company's shareholders or creditors. The Board has also confirmed that there is no disagreement between Deloitte and the Company, and there are no matters in respect of the proposed change of the Auditor that need to be brought to the attention of holders of securities of the Company.

The Board would like to express its sincere appreciation to Deloitte for their professional services and support to the Company for the past years.

## For and on behalf of CHINA MERCHANTS CHINA DIRECT INVESTMENTS LIMITED WANG Xiaoding Director

Hong Kong, 21 May 2024

As at the date hereof, the Executive Directors of the Company are Mr. WANG Xiaoding and Ms. KAN Ka Yee, Elizabeth; the Non-executive Directors are Mr. ZHOU Xing, Mr. ZHANG Rizhong, Mr. KE Shifeng and Mr. TSE Yue Kit; and the Independent Non-executive Directors are Mr. TSANG Wah Kwong, Dr. LI Fang, Dr. GONG Shaolin, Mr. Michael Charles VITERI and Mr. ZHU Qi.