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**HUA LIEN INTERNATIONAL (HOLDING) COMPANY LIMITED**

**華聯國際（控股）有限公司 \***

*(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)*

**(Stock Code: 969)**

**DESPATCH OF RESPONSE DOCUMENT RELATING TO  
MANDATORY UNCONDITIONAL CASH OFFER BY  
GF SECURITIES (HONG KONG) BROKERAGE LIMITED  
FOR AND ON BEHALF OF  
GUANGKEN RUBBER (SINGAPORE) PTE. LTD.  
TO ACQUIRE ALL THE ISSUED SHARES IN  
HUA LIEN INTERNATIONAL (HOLDING) COMPANY LIMITED  
(OTHER THAN THOSE ALREADY OWNED OR AGREED  
TO BE ACQUIRED BY GUANGKEN RUBBER (SINGAPORE) PTE. LTD.  
AND PARTIES ACTING IN CONCERT WITH IT)**

**Financial adviser to the Company**



**Essence Corporate Finance (Hong Kong) Limited**

**Independent Financial Adviser to the Independent Board Committee**



**INCU Corporate Finance Limited**

*\* For identification purpose only*

References are made to (i) the announcement jointly issued by Guangken Rubber (Singapore) Pte. Ltd. (the “**Offeror**”) and Hua Lien International (Holding) Company Limited (the “**Company**”) dated 20 June 2024 relating to, among others, the General Offer; (ii) the announcement issued by the Offeror dated 11 July 2024 in relation to the delay in despatch of the Offer Document; (iii) the Offer Document issued by the Offeror dated 26 July 2024 relating to the General Offer; and (iv) the Response Document issued by the Company dated 2 August 2024 relating to the General Offer. Unless otherwise defined, capitalised terms used herein shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Response Document.

## **DESPATCH OF THE RESPONSE DOCUMENT**

The Response Document setting out, among others, (i) a letter from the Board; (ii) a letter of advice from the Independent Board Committee to the Offer Shareholders in respect of the General Offer; and (iii) a letter of advice from the Independent Financial Adviser to the Independent Board Committee in respect of the General Offer and as to its acceptance, was despatched to the Shareholders on 2 August 2024 in accordance with the Takeovers Code. A copy of these documents is also available on the websites of the Company (<https://www.irasia.com/listco/hk/hualien/index.htm>) and the SFC ([www.sfc.hk](http://www.sfc.hk)).

**The Offer Shareholders are strongly advised to read carefully (i) the Offer Document; (ii) the Form of Acceptance; and (iii) the advice, opinion and financial and other information contained in the Response Document, in particular, the recommendations from the Independent Board Committee and the advice from the Independent Financial Adviser, before deciding whether to accept or reject the General Offer. Shareholders and/or potential investors of the Company are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the Shares, and if they are in doubt about their position, they should consult their professional advisers.**

By order of the Board  
**Hua Lien International (Holding) Company Limited**  
**Mr. ZHANG Zhaogang**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 2 August 2024

*As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. HAN Hong, Mr. WANG Zhaohui and Mr. ZHANG Qi; the non-executive Directors are Mr. ZHANG Zhaogang and Ms. CHEN Si; and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. CHENG Tai Kwan Sunny, Mr. SHI Zhu and Dr. LU Heng Henry.*

*The Directors jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this announcement and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this announcement have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this announcement, the omission of which would make any statement in this announcement misleading.*