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| ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION                                     |
| OF  |
| WAI CHUN MINING INDUSTRY GROUP COMPANY LIMITED              |
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| Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liabilities |
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# THE COMPANIES ACT (AS

# REVISED) COMPANY LIMITED

#### **BY SHARES**

# SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

**OF** 

#### WAI CHUN BIO-TECHNOLOGY LIMITED

#### 瑋俊生物科技有限公司

(as adopted by Special Resolutions passed on [22 November 2023])

- 1. The name of the Company is Wai Chun Bio-Technology Limited.
- 2. The Registered office of the Company shall be at the offices of Vistra (Cayman) Limited, P. O. Box 31119 Grand Pavilion, Hibiscus Way, 802 West Bay Road, Grand Cayman, KY1 1205 Cayman Islands or at such other place as the Directors may from time to time decide.
- 3. The objects for which the Company is established are unrestricted and shall include, but without limitation, the following:
  - (i) (a) To carry on the business of an investment Company and to act as promoters and entrepreneurs and to carry on business as financiers, capitalists, concessionaires, merchants, brokers, traders, dealers, agents, importers and exporters and to undertake and carry on and execute all kinds of investment financial, commercial, mercantile, trading and other operations.
    - (b) To carry on whether as principals agents or otherwise howsoever the business of realtors, developers, consultants, estate agents or managers builders, contractors, engineers, manufacturers, dealers in or vendors of all types of property including services.
  - (ii) To exercise and enforce all rights and powers conferred by our incidental to the ownership of any shares, stock, obligations or other securities including without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing all such powers of veto or control as may be conferred by virtue of the holding by the Company of some special protection of the issued or nominal amount thereof, to provide managerial and other executive, supervisory and consultant services is interested upon such terms as may be thought fit.
  - (iii) To purchase or otherwise acquire, to sell, exchange, surrender, lease, mortgage, charge, convert, turn to account, dispose of and deal with real and personal property and rights of all kinds and, in particular, mortgages, debentures, produce, concessions, options,

contracts, patents, annuities, licenses, stocks, shares, bonds, policies, book debts, business concern, undertakings, claims, privileges, and chooses in action of all kinds.

- (iv) To subscribe for, conditionally or unconditionally, to underwrite, issue on commission or otherwise, take, hold, deal in and convert stocks, shares and securities of all kinds and to enter into partnership or into any arrangement for sharing profits, reciprocal concessions or cooperation with any person or Company and to promote and aid in promoting, to constitute, form or organize any Company, syndicate or partnership of any kind, for the purpose of acquiring and undertaking any property and liabilities of the Company or of advancing, directly or indirectly, the objects if the Company or for any other purpose which the Company may think expedient.
- (v) To stand surely for or to guarantee, support or secure the performance of all or any of the obligations of any person, firm or Company whether or not related or affiliated to the Company in any manner and whether by personal covenant or by mortgage, charge or lien upon the whole or any part of the undertaking, property and asset of the Company, both president and future, including its uncalled capital or by any such method and whether or not the Company shall receive valuable consideration therefore.
- (vi) To engage in or carry on any other lawful trade, business or enterprise which may at any time appears to the Directors of the Company capable of being conveniently carried on in conjunction with any of the aforementioned business activities or which may appear to the Directors or the Company likely to be profitable to the Company.

In the interpretation of this memorandum of association in general and of this clause 3 in particular no object, business or by reference to or inference from any other object, business or by reference to or inference form any other object, business or power, or the name of the Company, or by the juxtaposition of two or more objects, businesses or powers and that, in the event of any ambiguity in this clause or elsewhere in this Memorandum of Association, the same shall be resolved by such interpretation and construction as will widen and enlarge and not restrict the objects, businesses and powers of and exercisable by the Company.

4. Except as prohibited or limited by the Companies Act (as revised) (Cap. 22), the Company shall have full power and authority to carry out any object and shall have and be capable or from time to time and at all times exercising and all of the parson or body corporate in doing in any part of the world whether as principle, agent, contractor or otherwise whatever may be considered by it necessary for the attainment of its objects and whatever else may be considered by it as incidental or conductive thereto or consequential thereon, including, but without in any way restricting the generality of the foregoing the power to make any alterations or amendment to this memorandum of association and the articles of Association of the Company considered necessary or convenient in the manner set out in the articles of association of the Company, and the power to do any of the following acts or things, viz: to pay all expenses of and incidental to the promotion, formation and incorporation of the Company; to register the Company to do business in any other jurisdiction; to sell, lease or dispose of any property of the Company; to draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, debentures, bills of exchange, bills of lading, warrants and other

negotiable or transferable instruments; to lend money or other assets and to act as guarantors; to borrow or raise money on the security of the undertaking or on all or any of the assets of the Company including uncalled capital or without security; to invest monies of the Company in such manner as the Directors determine; to promote other companies; to sell the undertaking of the Company for cash or any other consideration; to distribute assets in specie to members of the Company; to make charitable or benevolent donations; to pay pensions or gratuities or provide other benefits in cash or kind to Directors, officers, employees, past or present and their families; to carry on any trade or business and generally to do all acts and things which, in the opinion of the Company or the Directors, may be conveniently or profitably or usually acquired and dealt with, carried on executed or done by the Company in connection with the business aforesaid PROVIDED THAT THE COMPANY shall only carry on the business for which a license is required under the laws of the Cayman islands when so licensed under the terms of such law.

- 5. The liability of each member is limited to the amount from time to time unpaid on such member's shares.
- 6. The share capital of the Company is HK\$102,040,000 divided into 400,000,000 ordinary shares of a nominal or par value of HK\$0.25 each and 8,160,000 convertible preference shares of a nominal or par value of HK\$0.25 each with power for the Company insofar as is permitted by law, to redeem or purchase any of its shares and to increase or reduce the said capital subject to the provisions of the Companies Act (as revised) and the Articles of Association and to issue any part of its capital, whether original, redeemed or increased with or without any preference, priority or special privilege or subject to any postponement of rights or to any conditions or restrictions and so that unless the conditions of issue shall otherwise expressly declare every issue of shares whether declared to be reference or otherwise shall be subject to the powers hereinbefore contained.
- 7. If the Company is registered as exempted, its operations will be carried on subject to the provisions of section 192 of the companies act (as revised) and, subject to the provisions of the Companies Act (as revised) and the Articles of Association, it shall have the power to register by way of continuation as a body corporate limited by shares under the laws of any jurisdiction outside the Cayman Islands and to be deregistered in the Cayman Islands.

#### THE COMPANIES ACT (AS REVISED)

Company Limited by Shares

# ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF

# WAI CHUN BIO-TECHNOLOGY LIMITED

瑋俊生物科技有限公司

(As adopted by Special Resolution passed on 16 January 1993)

(Amended at the Annual General Meeting held on 21 June 2000)

(Amended at the Annual General Meeting held on 10 June, 2004)

(Amended at the Annual General Meeting held on 30 June, 2006)

(Amended at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 3 October, 2013)

(Amended at the Annual General Meeting held on 27 June, 2018)

(Amended at the Annual General Meeting held on 22 November, 2023)

#### **PRELIMINARY**

1. The regulations contained or incorporated in Table "A" in the First Schedule of the Companies Act (as revised) Cap .22 shall not apply to the Company.

2. In these regulations unless there is something in the subject or context inconsistent therewith:-

"the Article" or "these presents" means the Articles of Association of the Company for the time being in force;

"associate", in relation to any Director, shall have the meaning as defined under Rule 1.01 of the Listing Rules;

"Business Day" means a day (excluding Saturday and any day on which a tropical cyclone warning no. 8 or above or a "black" rainstorm warning is hoisted or remains hoisted or in effect between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon and is not lowered or discontinued at or before 12:00 noon) on which licensed banks in Hong Kong are generally open for business;

"Capital" means the share capital from time to time of the Company;

"the Company" or "this Company" means Wai Chun Bio-Technology Limited;

"close associate" in relation to any Director, shall have the same meaning as defined in the Listing Rules as modified from time to time, except that for purposes of Article 113 where the transaction or arrangement to be approved by the Directors is a connected transaction referred to in the Listing Rules, it shall have the same meaning as that ascribed to "associate" in the Listing Rules.";

"the Directors" means the Board of Directors of the Company or the Directors present at a meeting of Directors at which a quorum is present, and references in the Articles to Directors shall be to both executive and non-executive Directors unless otherwise indicated;

"dollars" or "HK\$" means Hong Kong Dollars;

"Hong Kong" shall mean the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China;

"the law" means the companies Act (as revised) of the Cayman island as modified from time to time:

"Listing Rules" shall mean the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited;

"Maturity Date" means the day immediately before the fifth (5th) anniversary of the date of issue of the Preference Shares, or if that day is not a Business Day, the first (1st) Business Day thereafter;

"member" means a person who is entered who is entered on the register as the holder of shares;

"Memorandum of Association" means the Memorandum of Association of the Company for the time being in force;

"month" means calendar month;

"office" means the registered office for the time being of the Company;

"Ordinary Shares" means an ordinary share of a nominal or par value of HK\$0.25 in the capital of the Company;

"paid up" or "paid" includes credited as paid up or paid;

"Preference Shares" means a convertible preference share of a nominal or par value of HK\$0.0025 in the capital of the Company;

"published in the newspaper" means polished as a paid advertisement in English in at least one English language newspaper and in Chinese in at least one Chinese language newspaper, being in each case a newspaper published daily and circulating generally in Hong Kong and specified in the list of newspapers issued and published in the Hong Kong Government Gazette for the purposes of section 71A of the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 32 of the laws of Hong Kong);

"the register" means the register of members of the Company and shall include any branch register;

"secretary "includes any person appointed to perform the duties of secretary temporarily and

any duly appointed assistant secretary;

"seal" means the common seal of the Company or where appropriate the duplicate seal of the Company;

"shares(s)" means a share or shares of any class in the Company, including an Ordinary Share or a Preference Share, and includes stock except where a distinction between stock and shares is expressed or implied;

"shareholders" or "members" means the duly registered holders of shares;

"special resolution" means either (i) a solution passed by not less than three-fourths of such members as, being entitled so to do, vote in person or, where proxies are allowed, by proxy, at a general meeting of the Company held in accordance with these Articles and of which notice specifying the intention to propose the resolution as a special resolution has been given, or (ii) a resolution passed pursuant to subsection 60(1)(b) of the Law;

"subsidiary" and "holding company" shall have the meanings attributed to such term in the Companies Ordinance (Cap. 32). but interpreting the term "subsidiary" in accordance with the definition of "subsidiary" under the Listing Rules;

"Takeovers Code" means the Hong Kong Code on Takeovers and Mergers;

"in writing" or "written" includes printing, lithography and other means of representing or reproducing words or figures in a visible form;

"year" means calendar year.

- 3. (A) The singular includes the plural and vice versa. Words importing any gender include the other genders.
  - (B) Save as a foresaid any words or expressions defined in the law shall if not inconsistent with the subject or context bear the same meaning in these presents.
  - (C) The heading shall not affect the construction of these presents.

#### **CAPITAL AND SHARES**

- 4. (A) The authorized share capital of the Company is HK\$102,040,000 divided into 400,000,000 Ordinary Shares of HK\$0.25 each and 8,160,000 Preference Shares of HK\$0.25 each.
  - (B) Subject to the provisions of the Law and of the Articles relating to new shares, all unissued shares in the Company including any new shares created upon an increase of capital shall be under the control of the Directors who upon an increase of capital

shall be under the control of the Directors who may offer, allot, grant options over or otherwise dispose of them to such persons, on such terms and conditions and at such times as the Directors shall in their sale and absolute discretion think fit, but so that no shares shall be issued at a discount ,except in accordance with the provisions of the Law.

- 5. (A) The Company may at any time pay a commission or brokerage to any person for subscribing or agreeing to subscribe (whether absolutely or conditionally) for any shares in the Company or procuring or agreeing to procure subscription or agreeing to subscribe (whether absolutely or conditionally) for any shares in the Company but so that the conditions and requirements of the law shall be observed and complied with and in each case the commission or brokerage shall not exceed 10 percent of the price at which the shares are issued.
  - (B) The Directors may issue warrants to subscribe for any class of shares or securities of the Company on such terms as they may from time to time determine.
- 6. (A) Subject to the provisions, if any, in that behalf of the Memorandum of Association and without prejudice to any special rights previously conferred on the holders of existing shares, any share may be issued with such preferred, deferred or other special rights or such restrictions, whether in regard to dividend, voting, return of share capital or otherwise, as the Company may from time to time by ordinary resolution determine (or, in the absence of any such determination or so far as the same shall not make specific provision, as the Director may determine) and any preference share may, with the sanction of a resolution, be issued on terms that it is, or at the option of the Company is liable, to be redeemed on such terms and in such manner as the Company may by such resolution determine.
  - (B) The Company may by ordinary resolution, before the issue of any new shares, make any provision, as to the issue and allotment of such shares including, new shares or any of them shall be offered in the first instance to all the holders for the time being of shares of any class in proportion to the number of the shares held buy them respectively but in default of any such determination such shares may be default with as if they formed part of the capital of the Company existing prior to the issue of the same.
- 6A. The Preference Shares shall at all times rank pari passu among themselves and with the Ordinary Shares in issue, including but not limited to the right to receive dividend as may from time to time be declared by the Company, except that, notwithstanding any provision in these Articles to the contrary, the holders of Preference Shares shall not be (in respect of such Preference Shares) have the right to receive notice of, attend or vote at any general meeting of the Company, but may vote at a separate class meeting convened in accordance with these Articles.

#### 6B. Conversion of Preference Shares

- (A) A holder of Preference Shares has the right to convert all or part of his Preference Shares into Ordinary Shares at any time until the Maturity Date on a one-to-one basis, i.e. one Preference Share shall be converted into one Ordinary Share and such conversion ratio will not be adjusted under any circumstances including but not limited to share consolidation or subdivision.
- (B) Subject to and upon compliance with the provisions of these Articles and any applicable laws and regulations (including but not limited to the Listing Rules and the Takeovers Code), the conversion right attaching to any Preference Share may be exercised, at the option of the holder thereof, at any time from the issue of such Preference Share to the Maturity Date, provided that such holder may only convert such number of Preference Shares as (1) would not cause the Company not to comply with the minimum public float requirement under the Listing Rules following such conversion; or (2) would not trigger any general offer obligations under the Takeovers Code.
- (C) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Directors may defer the issue and allotment of the Ordinary Shares issuable upon a conversion of the Preference Shares to a date falling ninety (90) calendar days (or such longer period as the Directors shall consider appropriate and necessary) after the conversion notice is submitted, in the event a conversion will result in the failure by the Company to comply with the requirement in respect of public float prescribed in the Listing Rules from time to time and the Directors shall be entitled to defer the issue and allotment of the Ordinary Shares issuable upon such conversion until a proposal by the holder of the relevant Preference Shares or by the Directors to restore the public float is implemented to their satisfaction.
- (D) Subject as provided in this Article 6B, all of the Preference Shares shall be converted into Ordinary Shares in accordance with this Article 6B on the Maturity Date.
- (E) A holder of Preference Shares may, subject as provided in this Article 6B, exercise his conversion right on any Business Day immediately after the date of issue of the Preference Shares and up to 4:00 p.m. (Hong Kong time) on the Business Day immediately prior to the Maturity Date, by delivering at the principal place of business of the Company in Hong Kong a duly completed notice in the form approved by the Directors stating the intention of such holder to convert his Preference Shares into Ordinary Shares. Any such conversion notice once delivered shall be irrevocable.
- (F) The Directors shall allot and issue the Ordinary Shares issuable upon conversion of the Preference Shares, credited as fully paid, to the holder of such Preference Shares within five (5) Business Days after the date on which the conversion notice and the certificate(s) for the Preference Shares are delivered to and received by the Company.

- (G) The certificate for Ordinary Shares issuable upon conversion of Preference Shares shall be issued in board lots to the extent practicable, with one certificate for any odd lot of Ordinary Shares arising from the conversion, and shall be issued and made available for collection at the principal place of business of the Company in Hong Kong within five (5) Business Days provided for in paragraph (F) above.
- (H) On any partial conversion of the Preference Shares, the holder of such Preference Shares will by reasonable prior appointment with the secretary or any officer of the Company, attend at the principal place of business of the Company in Hong Kong with the certificate representing the Preference Shares to be converted and shall join in endorsing the certificate representing the remaining Preference Shares held by such holder after such conversion.
- 7. (A) If at any time the capital is divided into different classes of shares, the rights attached to any class (unless otherwise provided by the terms of issue of the shares of that class) may be varied with the consent in writing of the holders of three-fourths in nominal value of the issued shares of that class or with the sanction of a special resolution passed at separate general meeting of the holders of the shares of that class. To any such separate general meeting all the provisions of the Articles as to general meetings of the Company shall mutatis mutandis apply ,but so that the necessary quorum shall be one or more persons holding or representing by proxy or authorized representative not less than one-third of the issued shares of the class, that every holder of share held by him, that any holder of shares of the class present in person or by proxy of authorized representative(whether the number of shares held by him )shall be a quorum.
  - (B) The rights conferred upon the holders of the shares of any class issued with preferred or other rights shall not, unless otherwise expressly provided by the terms of issue of the shares of that class, be deemed to be varied by the creation or issue of the shares ranking pari passu therewith.
- 8. Except as otherwise expressly provided by the Articles or required by law or ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction, no person shall be recognized by the Company as holding any share upon any trust and the Company shall not be bound by or be compelled in any way to recognize(even when having notice thereof) any equitable, contingent, future or partial interest in any share or any interest in any fractional part of a share or (except only as by the Articles or by law otherwise provided) any other rights in respect of any share except an absolute right to entirety thereof in the registered holder.
- 9. Subject to the provisions of the Law and subject further to compliance with the rules and regulations of the relevant stock exchange on which the shares of the Company are listed and any other relevant regulatory authority, the Company may give financial assistance for the purpose of or in connection with a purchase made or to be made by any person of any shares in the Company.

10. Subject to the provision of the Law and the Memorandum of Association and subject further to compliance with the rules and regulation of the relevant stock exchange on which shares of the Company are listed and any other relevant regulatory authority, the Directors may exercise the power of the Company to purchase or otherwise acquire its own shares and/or warrants upon such terms and subject to such conditions as the Directors may deem fit. Where the Directors exercise the power of the Company to purchase a share purchase not made through the market or by tender shall be limited to a maximum price and if purchase are made by tender, the tender shall be available to all members alike.

#### REGISTER OF MEMBERS AND SHARE CERTIFICATES

- 11. (A) The Directors shall cause to be kept at such place as they shall deem fit a register of the members and there shall be entered therein the particulars of members and the class of shares issued to each of them.
  - (B) The Company may establish and maintain a branch register of members in accordance with Article 160.
  - (C) Except where the register is closed, the register and any branch register shall during business hours be opened to the inspection of any member without charge.
  - (D) The reference to business hours is subject to such reasonable restrictions as the Company in general meeting may impose, but so that not less than 2 hours in each day are to be allowed for inspection.
  - (E) Any member may require a copy of register, or of any part thereof, on payment of HK\$0.25, or such lesser sum as the Company may prescribe, for every 100 words or fractional part thereof required to be copied. The Company staff cause any copy so required by any person to be sent to that person within a period of 10 days commencing on the date next after the date on which the request is received by the Company.
- 12. (A) Every person whose name is entered as a member in the register shall be entitled without payment to receive within 2 months after allotment or lodgment of transfer (or within such other period as the conditions of issue shall provide) one certificate for all his shares or, if he shall so request, in a case where the allotment or transfer is a number of shares in excess of the number for the time being forming a stock exchange board lot, upon payment, in the case of a transfer, of HK\$2 for every certificate after the first or such lesser sum as the Directors shall from time to time determine, such number of certificates for shares in stock exchange board lots or multiples thereof as he shall request and one for the balance(if any) of the shares in question, provided that in respect of a share or shares held jointly by several persons the Company shall not be bound to issue a certificate or certificates to each such person and the issue and delivery of a certificate or certificates to one of several joint holders shall be sufficient delivery to all such holders.

- (B) Every share certificate shall be issued under the Seal or a facsimile thereof and shall specify the number and class and distinguishing numbers (if any) of the shares to which it relates, and the amount paid up thereon and may otherwise be in such form as the Directors may from time to time determine. No certificate shall be issued representing shares of more than one class. The Board may by resolution determine, either generally or in any particular case or cases, that any signatures on any such certificates (or certificates in respect of other securities) need not be autographic but may be affixed to such certificates by some mechanical means or may be printed thereon.
- (C) Every share certificate hereafter issued shall specify the number of shares in respect of which it is issued and may otherwise be in such form as the Directors may from time to time prescribe.
- 13. If a share certificate is defaced, worn out, lost or destroyed, it may be replaced on payment of such fee, if any, not exceeding HK\$2 (or such higher amount as shall for the time being be approved by the relevant stock exchange on which the shares of the Company are listed) and on such terms, if any, as to publication of notice, evidence and indemnity and to payment of nay exceptional costs and the reasonable out-of-pocket expenses of the Company in investigating such evidence and preparing such indemnity as the Directors may think fit and where it is defaced, worn out, after delivery of the defaced or worn out certificate to the Company.
- 14. If any share shall stand in the names of 2 or more persons, the person first named in the register shall be deemed the sole holder thereof as regards service of notice and, subject to the provision of the Articles, all or any other matters connected with the Company, except the transfer of the share.

#### LIEN

- 15. The Company shall have a first and paramount lien on every share(not being a fully paid up share) for all moneys(whether presently payable or not) called or payable at fixed time in respect of that share; and the Company shall also have a first and paramount lien and charge on all shares (other than full paid shares) standing registered in the name of a single member for all the debts and liabilities of such member or his estate to the Company and whether the same shall have been incurred before or after notice to the Company of any equitable or other interest of any person other than such member and whether the period for the payment of discharge of the same shall have actually arrived or not and notwithstanding that the same are joint debts or liabilities of such member or his estate and any time declare any share to be for some specified period wholly or in part exempt from the provisions of this Article. The Company's lie, if any, on a share shall extend to all dividends, bonuses and distributions payable in respect thereof.
- 16. The Company may sell, in such manner as the Directors think fit, any shares on which the Company has a lien but no sale shall be made unless some sun in respect of which the lien

exists is presently payable or the liability or engagement in respect of which such lien exists is liable to be presently fulfilled or discharged nor until the expiration of 14 days after a notice in writing, stating and demanding payment of such sum presently payable or specifying the liability or engagement and demanding fulfillment or discharge thereof and giving notice of intention to sell in default, shall have been given to the registered holder for the time being of the share, or the person entitled thereto by reason of the death, mental disorder or bankruptcy of the registered holder.

17. The net proceeds of such sale after the payment of the costs thereof shall be received by the Company and applied in or towards payment, fulfillment or discharge of the debt or liability or engagement in respect whereof the lien exists, so far as the same in presently payable or due to be fulfilled or discharged, and any residue shall (subject to a like lien foe debts or liabilities or engagements not presently payable or due to be fulfilled or discharged as existed upon the shares prior to the sale and upon surrender, if required by the Company, for cancellation of the certificate for the share sold) be paid to the person who was the holder of such shares immediately before the sale of such shares. For giving effect to any such sale the Director may authorize some person to transfer the shares sold to the purchaser thereof. The purchaser shall be registered as the holder of the shares comprised in any such transfer and he shall not be bound to see to the application of purchase money, nor shall his title to shares be affected by any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings in reference to the sale.

#### **CALLS ON SHARES**

- 18. The Directors may from time to time make such calls as they may think fit upon the members in respect of all or any part of the moneys unpaid on the shares held by way of premiums) and not by the conditions of issue or allotment thereof made payable at a date fixed by or in accordance with such terms of issue or allotment; and each member shall (subject to receiving at least 14 days' notice specifying the time and place of payment and to whom such call shall be paid) pay to the Company at the time and place and to the person so specified the amount called on his shares, A call shall be deemed to have been made when the resolution of the Directors authorizing such call is passed and may be made payable in one sum or by installments. A call may be revoked or postponed as the Directors may determine. A person upon whom a call is made shall remain liable on such call notwithstanding any subsequent transfer of the shares on respect of which the call was made.
- 19. A copy of the notice referred to in Article 18 shall be sent to the members in the manner in which notices may be sent to members by the Company as herein provided.
- 20. In addition to the giving of notice in accordance with Article 18, notice of the person appointed to receive payment of every call and of the time and place appointed for payment may be given to the members affected by the notice to be inserted once in the Hong Kong Government Gazette and published in the newspaper.
- 21. The joint holders of a share shall be jointly and severally liable to pay all calls and installments due in respect of such share or other moneys due in respect thereof.

- 22. The Directors may from time to time at their discretion extend the time fixed for any call and may extend such time as regards all or any of the members whom, by reason of residence outside Hong Kong or other cause, the Directors may deem entitled to any such extension but no member shall be entitled to any such extension except as a matter of grace and favour.
- 23. If a sum called in respect of a share is not paid before or on the day appointed for payment thereof, the person from whom the sum is due shall pay interest upon the sum at such rate not exceeding 20 per cent per annum as the Directors shall fix from the day appointed for the payment thereof to the time of the actual payment but the Directors shall be at liberty to waive payment of that interest wholly or in part.
- 24. No member shall be entitled to receive any dividend or bonus or to be present and vote (save as proxy for another member who is entitled) at any general meeting, either personally or by proxy or authorized representative or be reckoned in a quorum or to exercise any other privilege as a member until all calls and installments due from him to the Company, whether alone or jointly with any other person, together with interest and expenses (if any) shall have been paid.
- 25. On the trial or hearing of any action or other proceedings for the recovery of any money due for any call, it shall be sufficient to prove that the name of the member respect of which such debt accrued; that the resolution making the call is duly recorded in the minute book; and that notice of such call was duly given to the member sued, in pursuance of the Articles; and that notice of such call was duly given to the member sued, in pursuance of Articles; and it shall not be necessary to prove the appointment of the Director who made such call nor any other matters whatsoever and the proof of the matters aforesaid only shall be conclusive evidence of the existence of the debt.
- Any sum (whether on account of the nominal value of the share and/or by way of premium) which by the terms of issue or allotment of a share becomes payable upon allotment or at any date fixed by or in accordance with such terms of issue or allotment shall for all the purposes of the Articles be deemed to be a call duly made, notified and payable on the date on which by the terms of issue or allotment the same becomes payable. In case of non-payment all the relevant provisions of the Articles as o payment of interest and expenses, forfeiture or otherwise shall apply as if such sum had become payable by virtue of a call duly made and notified.
- 27. The Directors may make arrangements on the issue of shares for the differences in the amount of calls to be paid and in the times of payment between one allottee or holder and another.
- 28. The Directors may, if they think fit, receive from any member willing to advance the same and either in money or money's worth all or any part of the moneys uncalled and unpaid or installments not yet payable upon any shares held by him; and upon all or any of the moneys so advanced may (until the same would but for such advance, become presently payable) pay interest at such rate (not exceeding, without the sanction of the Company in general meeting,

6 per cent annum) as may be agreed upon between the member paying the sum in advance and the Directors. The Directors may at any time repay the amount so advanced or any part thereof upon giving to such member not less than one month's notice in writing of their intention in that behalf, unless before the expiration of such notice the amount proposed to be repaid shall have been called up on the shares in respect of which it was advanced in which event the same shall be applied in or towards satisfaction of the call m\under the applicable provisions of the Articles.

#### FORFEITURE OF SHARES

- 29. If a member fails to pay in full any call or installment of a call on the day appointed foe the payment thereof, the Directors may at any time thereafter during such time as any part of the call or installment remains unpaid, without prejudice to the provisions of Article 24, serve a notice on him requiring payment of so much of the call or installment as is unpaid together with any interest which may have accrued and which may still accrue up to the date of actual payment.
- 30. The notice shall name a further day (not earlier than 14 days after the date of service of the notice) on or before which and the place where the payment required by the notice is to be made and shall state that in the event of non-payment at or before the time and at the place appointed the shares in respect of which the call was made will be liable to be forfeited.
- 31. If the requirements of any such notice as aforesaid are not complied with, any share in respect of which the notice has been given may at any time thereafter before the payment required by the notice has been made, be forfeited by a resolution of the Directors to that effect. Such forfeiture shall include all dividends and bonuses declared in respect of the forfeited shares but not paid before the forfeiture. The Directors may accept a surrender of any share liable to be forfeited hereunder and in such case, reference in these presents to forfeiture shall include surrender.
- 32. Until cancelled in accordance with the requirements of the law, any share so forfeited shall be deemed to be the property of the Company and may be sold, realloted or otherwise disposed of either to the person who was, before the forfeiture, the holder thereof or entitled thereto or to any other person on such terms and in such manner as the Directors think fit and at any time before a sale or disposition thereof the forfeiture may be cancelled on such terms as the Directors think fit.
- 33. A person whose shares have been forfeited shall cease to be a member in respect of the forfeited shares but shall, notwithstanding, remain liable to pay to the Company all calls already made and moneys which, at the date of forfeiture(together with interest thereon at such rate not exceeding 20 per cent annum as the Directors may prescribe from the date of forfeiture if the Directors think fit to enforce payment of such interest) but his liability shall cease if and when the Company shall receive payment in full of all such calls monies and interests in respect of the shares. For the purposes of this Article, any sum which by the terms of issue of a share is payable thereon at a fixed time which is subsequent to the date of

forfeiture, whether on account of the nominal value of the share and/or by way of premium, shall, notwithstanding that such time has not yet arrived be deemed to be payable at the date of forfeiture and the same shall become due and payable immediately upon the forfeiture but interest thereon shall only be payable in respect of any period between the said fixed time and, if later, the date of actual payment.

- 34. A statutory declaration in writing to the effect that the declarant is a Director or the secretary of the Company and that a share in the Company has been duly forfeited or surrendered on a date stated in the declaration shall be conclusive evidence of the facts therein stated as against all persons claiming to be entitled to the share. The Company may receive the consideration, if any, given for the share on any sale, reallotment or disposition thereof and may, subject to the restrictions contained in the Articles, execute a transfer of the share in favour of the person to whom the share is sold, reallotted or disposed of and he shall thereupon be registered as the holder of the share and shall not be bound to see the application of the purchase money, if any, nor shall his title to the share be affected by any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings in reference to the forfeiture, sale, reallotment or disposal of the share.
- 35. When any share shall have been forfeited, notice of the resolution shall been given to the member in whose name it stood immediately prior to the forfeiture and an entry of the forfeiture, with the date thereof, shall forthwith be made in the register.
- 36. (A) Notwithstanding any such forfeiture as aforesaid, the Directors may at any time, before any shares so forfeited shall have been sold, reallotted or otherwise disposed of, permit the shares forfeited to be redeemed upon the terms of payment of all calls and interest due upon and expenses incurred in respect of the shares and upon such further terms (if any) as they think fit.
  - (B) The forfeiture of a share shall not prejudice the right of the Company to any call already made or instalment payable thereon.
  - (C) The provisions of these Articles as to forfeiture shall apply in the case of non-payment of any sum which, by the terms of issue of a share, becomes payable at a fixed time, whether on account of the nominal value of the share or by way of premium, as if the same had been payable by virtue of a call duly made and notified.

#### **STOCK**

- 37. The Company may by ordinary resolution convert any paid up shares into stock and may from time to time by like resolution reconvert any stock into paid up shares of any denomination.
- 38. The holders of stock may transfer the same or any part thereof in the same manner and subject to the same regulations as and subject to which the shares from which the stock arose might prior to conversion have been transferred or as near thereto as circumstances admit

Provided that the Directors may from time to time, if they think fit, fix the minimum amount of stock transferable and restrict or forbid the transfer of fractions of that minimum but so that such minimum shall not exceed the nominal amount of the shares from which the stock arose. No warrants to bearer shall be issued in respect of any stock.

- 39. The holders of stock shall, according to the amount of the stock held by them, have the same rights, privileges and advantages as regards dividends, participation in assets on a winding-up, voting at meetings and other matters as if they held the shares from which the stock arose but no such privileges and advantages (except participation in the dividends and profits of the Company) shall be conferred by an amount of stock which would not, if existing in shares, have conferred such privileges and advantages.
- 40. Such of the provisions of the Articles as are applicable to paid up shares shall apply to stock and the words "share" and "member" herein shall include "stock" and "stockholder".

#### TRANSFER OF SHARES

- 41. (A) All transfers of shares may be effected by transfer in writing in any usual or common form or in any other form acceptable to the Directors and may be under hand only.
  - (B) The instrument of transfer shall be executed by or on behalf of both the transferor and the transferee.
  - (C) The transferor shall remain the holder of the shares concerned until the name of the transferee is entered in the register in respect thereof.
- 42. Nothing in the Articles shall preclude the Directors from recognizing a renunciation of the allotment or provisional allotment of any share by the allottee in favour of some other person. The Directors in their sole and absolute discretion and without assigning any reason therefor may decline to register any transfer of shares which are not fully paid up to a person of whom they do not approve and they may also refuse to register any transfer of share (not being a fully paid up share) on which the Company has a lien. The Directors shall not register a transfer to a person who is known to them to be an infant or a person of unsound mind or under any other legal disability but the Directors shall not be bound to enquire into the age or soundness of mind or legal ability of any transferee.
- 43. Every Instrument of transfer shall be left at the office or at such other place as the Directors may appoint for registration accompanied by the certificate of the shares to be transferred and such other evidence as the Directors may reasonably require to prove the title of the transferor or his right to transfer the shares. If the Directors refuse to register a transfer they shall within 2 months after the date on which the transfer was lodged with the Company send to each of the transferor and transferee notice of the refusal. All instruments of transfer which are registered shall be retained by the Company but any instruments of transfer which the Directors may decline to register shall (except in the case of fraud) be returned to the person depositing the same together with the share certificate and such other evidence as aforesaid

within 2 months after the date on which the transfer was lodged with the Company.

- 44. The Directors may also decline to recognize any instrument of transfer unless:-
  - (i) a fee of HK\$2 (or such higher amount as shall for the time being be approved by the relevant stock exchange on which the shares of the Company are listed) or such lesser sum as the Directors may from time to time require is paid to the Company for registering any transfer or other document relating to or affecting the title to the shares involved or for otherwise making an entry in the register relating to such shares;
  - (ii) the instrument of transfer is in respect of only one class of shares;
  - (iii) the instrument of transfer is properly stamped; and
  - (iv) in the case of a transfer to joint holders, the number of joint holders to whom the share is to be transferred does not exceed 4.
- 45. Upon every transfer of shares the certificate relating to the shares to be transferred held by the transferor shall be given up to be cancelled and shall forthwith be cancelled accordingly and a new certificate shall be issued without charge to the transferee in respect of the shares transferred to him and if any of the shares included in the certificate so given up shall be retained by the transferor a new certificate in respect thereof shall be issued to him without charge.
- 46. The registration of transfers may be suspended and the register closed at such times and for such periods as the Directors may from time to time determine provided always that such registration shall not be suspended or the register closed for more than 30 days in any year or, if the Company in general meeting approves, 60 days in any year.
- 46A (A) Notwithstanding any provision in these Articles to the contrary, no Preference Share may be assigned or transferred to a connected person (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company without the prior written consent of the Company. Without prejudice to the aforesaid, any assignment or transfer of all or any part of the Preference Shares is subject to:
  - (i) the rules and regulations of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (and any other stock exchange on which the shares may be listed at the relevant time); and
  - (ii) all applicable laws and regulations.
  - (B) The Preference Shares may be transferred by delivery to the Company of a duly executed instrument of transfer, bought and sold note and form of transfer in the form approved by the Directors, together with the share certificate(s) for the Preference Shares being transferred. The Company shall, within five (5) Business Days of receipt

of such documents from the holder of the Preference Shares, register the transfer of the Preference Shares, and issue new certificate(s) in respect thereof under the seal of the Company in favour of the transferee.

# **UNTRACED SHAREHOLDERS**

- 47. The Company may sell any shares in the Company if:-
  - (i) all cheques or warrants, being not less than 3 in total number, for any sum payable in cash to the holder of such shares in respect of them sent in the manner authorized by the Articles of the Company have remained uncashed for a period of 12 years.
  - (ii) the Company has not at any time during the 12 year period received any indication of the existence of the member or of any person who is entitled to such shares; and
  - (iii) upon expiry of the 12 year period, the Company has caused an advertisement to be published in the newspaper giving notice of its intention to sell such shares and a period of 3 months has elapsed since the date of such advertisement and the Company has notified the relevant stock exchange on which the shares of the Company are listed of such intention.

To give effect to any such sale the Directors may authorize any person to transfer the said shares and an instrument of transfer signed or otherwise executed by or on behalf of such person shall be as effective as if it had been executed by the registered holder or the person entitled by transmission to such shares, and the purchaser shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase moneys nor shall his title to the shares be affected by any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings relating to the sale. The net proceeds of the sale shall belong to the Company and upon receipt by the Company of such net proceeds it shall become indebted to the former member for an amount equal to such net proceeds. No trust shall be created in respect of such debt and no interest shall be payable in respect of it and the Company shall not be required to account for any moneys earned from the net proceeds which may be employed in the business of the Company or as it thinks fit. Any sale under this Article shall be valid and effective notwithstanding that the member holding the shares sold is dead, bankrupt or otherwise under any legal disability or incapacity.

# TRANSMISSION OF SHARES

48. In the case of the death of a member, the survivor or survivors where the deceased was a joint holder and the legal personal representatives of the deceased where he was a sole holder shall be the only persons recognized by the Company as having any title to his interest in the share; but nothing herein contained shall release the estate of the deceased (whether sole or joint holder) from any liability in respect of any share which had been held by him jointly with other persons or solely.

- 49. Any person to whom the right to any share has been transmitted by death, bankruptcy or operation of law may, upon such evidence being produced as may from time to time properly be required by the Directors and subject as hereinafter provided, elect either to be registered himself as holder of the shares, whether in whole or part, or to have some person nominated by him registered as the transferee thereof, whether in whole or part, but the Directors shall, in either case, have the same right to decline or suspend registration as they would have had in the case of a transfer of the shares by the original member before the event giving rise to the transmission. The merger of any 2 or more corporations under the laws of one or more foreign countries or states shall constitute a transmission by operation of law for the purpose of this Article.
- 50. If the person so becoming entitled shall elect to be registered himself, whether in whole or part in respect of the shares involved, he shall deliver or send to the Company a notice in writing signed by him stating that he so elects. If he shall elect to have another person registered in respect of the shares the right to which has been so transmitted, he shall testify his election by executing in favour of that person a transfer of the relevant shares. All the limitations, restrictions and provisions of the Articles relating to the right to transfer and the registration of transfers of shares shall be applicable to any such notice or transfer as aforesaid as if the transmission had not occurred and the notice or transfer were a transfer signed by the original registered holder.
- 51. Any person to whom the right to any share has been transmitted by operation of law shall be entitled to the same dividends and other advantages to which he would be entitled if he were the registered holder of the shares. Provided always that the Directors may at any time give notice requiring any such person to elect either to be registered himself or to transfer the share, and if the notice is not complied with within 90 days the Directors may thereafter withhold payment of all dividends, bonuses or other monies payable in respect of the share until the requirements of the notice have been complied with but, subject to the requirements of Article 75 being met, such person may vote at meetings of the Company.

## ALTERATION OF CAPITAL

- 52. The Company in general meeting may, from time to time, whether or not all the shares for the time being authorized shall have been issued and whether or not all the shares for the time being issued shall have been fully paid up, by ordinary resolution increase its share capital by the creation of new shares, such new capital to be of such amount and to be divided into shares of such respective amounts as the resolution shall prescribe.
- 53. Except so far as otherwise provided by the conditions of issue or by the Articles, any new shares issued as a consequence of an alteration of capital shall be subject to the same provisions with reference to the payments of calls and instalments, liens, transfer, transmission, forfeiture, cancellation, surrender, voting and otherwise as the shares in the original capital.

- 54. The Company may from time to time by ordinary resolution:-
  - (i) consolidate and divide all or any of its capital into shares of larger amount than its existing shares; on any consolidation of fully paid shares into shares of larger amount, the Directors may settle any difficulty which may arise as they think expedient and in particular (but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing) may as between the holders of the shares to be consolidated determine which particular shares are to be consolidated into each consolidated share and if it shall happen that any person shall become entitled to fractions of a consolidated share or shares, such fractions may be sold by some person appointed by the Directors for that purpose and the person so appointed may transfer the shares so sold to the purchaser thereof and the validity of such transfer shall not be questioned and so that the net proceeds of such sale (after deduction of the expenses of such sale) may either be distributed among the persons who would otherwise be entitled to a fraction or fractions of a consolidated share or shares rateably in accordance with their rights and interests or may be paid to the Company for the Company's benefit;
  - (ii) sub-divide its existing shares or any of them into shares of smaller amount than is fixed by the Memorandum of Association subject, nevertheless, to the provisions of the Law; and so that the resolution whereby any share is sub-divided may determine that, as between the holders of the shares resulting from such sub-division, one or more of the shares may have any such preferred or other special rights over or may have such deferred rights or be subject to any such restrictions as compared with the others as the Company has power to attach to unissued or new shares; and
  - (iii) cancel any shares which, at the date of the passing of the resolution, have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person and diminish the amount of its capital by the amount of the shares so cancelled.
- 55. The Company may by special resolution reduce its capital, any capital redemption reserve fund or any share premium account in any manner prescribed by the Law.

#### **GENERAL MEETINGS**

- 56. The Company shall in each financial year hold a general meeting as its annual general meeting in addition to any other meetings in that year and within six (6) months after the end of the Company's financial year unless a longer period would not infringe the rules of the Designated Stock Exchange, if any at such time and place as may be determined by the Board. All general meetings other than annual general meetings shall be called extraordinary general meetings.
- 57. The Directors may, whenever they think fit, convene an extraordinary general meeting. An extraordinary general meeting shall also be convened on the written requisition of any 2 or

more members holding at the date of the deposit of the requisition in aggregate not less than 25 per cent of such of the paid up capital of the Company as at the date of the deposit carries the right of voting at general meetings of the Company. Such requisition must state the objects of the meeting and must be signed by the requisitionists and deposited at the office. If the Directors do not within 21 days from the date of the deposit of such requisition proceed duly to convene an extraordinary general meeting, the requisitionists themselves may convene the extraordinary general meeting in the same manner, as nearly as possible, as that in which meetings may be convened by the Directors, and all reasonable expenses incurred by the requisitionists as a result of the failure of the Directors to convene such a meeting shall be reimbursed to them by the Company.

#### NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETINGS

- 58. An annual general meeting and a meeting called for the passing of a special resolution shall be called by 21 days' notice in writing at the least and a meeting of the Company other than an annual general meeting or a meeting for the passing of a special resolution shall be called by 14 days' notice in writing at the least. The notice shall be exclusive of the day on which it is served or deemed to be served and of the day for which it is given and shall specify the place, the day and the hour of meeting and, in case of special business, the general nature of that business. The notice convening an annual general meeting shall specify the meeting as such and the notice convening a meeting to pass a special resolution shall specify the intention to propose the relevant resolution as a special resolution.
- 59. Subject to the foregoing Article, the notice of every general meeting shall be given in manner hereinafter mentioned or in such other manner, if any, as may be prescribed by the Company in general meeting to such persons as are under the Articles entitled to receive such notices from the Company Provided that subject to the provisions of the Law a meeting of the Company shall, notwithstanding that it is called by shorter notice than that specified in this Article, be deemed to have been duly called if it is so agreed:-
  - (i) in the case of a meeting called as the annual general meeting, by all the members entitled to attend and vote thereat; and
  - (ii) in the case of any other meeting, by a majority in number of the members having a right to attend and vote at the meeting, being a majority together holding not less than 95 per cent in nominal value of the shares giving that right.
- 60. The accidental omission to give notice of a meeting to or the non-receipt of notice of a meeting by any person entitled to receive notice shall not invalidate any resolution passed or any proceedings at any meeting.
- 61. In cases where instruments of proxy are or are to be sent out with notices, the accidental omission to send such instruments of proxy to or the non-receipt of such instruments of proxy by any person entitled to receive notice shall not invalidate any resolution passed or any proceedings at any such meeting.

#### PROCEEDINGS AT GENERAL MEETINGS

- 62. All business shall be deemed special that is transacted at an extraordinary general meeting and at an annual general meeting, with the exception of the declaration and sanctioning of a dividend, making a call in accordance with the provisions of the Articles, the reading, consideration and adoption of the accounts, balance sheet and the reports of the Directors and other documents required to be annexed to the balance sheet, the election of the Directors in the place of those retiring at the meeting whether by rotation or otherwise, the appointment of the auditors (where special notice of the intention for such appointment is not required by the Law) and the fixing, or the determination of the method of fixing, of the remuneration of the Directors and of the auditors.
- 63. For all purposes the quorum for a general meeting shall be 2 members entitled to vote present in person or by separate proxy or representative. No business shall be transacted at any general meeting unless the requisite quorum shall be present at the commencement of the business provided that the absence of a quorum shall not preclude the appointment, choice or election of a chairman which shall not be treated as part of the business of the meeting.
- 64. If within 5 minutes from the time appointed for the meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting, if convened upon the requisition of members, shall be dissolved; in any other case it shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week and at such time and place as shall be decided by the Directors and if at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within 5 minutes from the time appointed for the meeting, any member present shall be a quorum and may transact the business for which the meeting was called.
- 65. Each Director shall be entitled to attend and speak at any general meeting of the Company and at any separate meeting of the holders of any class of shares in the Company.
- 66. The chairman, if any, of the Director or, in his absence, the deputy chairman, if any, shall preside as chairman at every general meeting of the Company.
- 67. If there is no such chairman or deputy chairman or if at any meeting neither of such chairman or deputy chairman is present within 5 minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting or is willing to act as chairman, the Directors present shall choose one of their number as chairman and if only one Director shall be present he shall, if willing to act, preside as chairman. If no Director shall be present or if all the Directors present decline to take the chair or if the chairman chosen shall retire from the chair, then the members present shall choose one of their own number to be the chairman.
- 68. The chairman may, with the consent of any meeting at which a quorum is present and shall, if so directed by the meeting, adjourn the meeting from time to time and from place to place as the meeting shall determine, but no business shall be transacted at any adjourned meeting other than the business which might lawfully have been transacted at the meeting from which the adjournment took place. When a meeting is adjourned for 14 days or more, it least 7 clear days' written notice specifying the place, the day and the hour of the adjourned meeting shall

be given as in the case of an original meeting but it shall not be necessary to specify in such notice the nature of the business to be transacted at the adjourned meeting. Save as aforesaid it shall not be necessary to give any notice of an adjournment or of the business to be transacted at an adjourned meeting.

- 69. At any general meeting, a resolution put to the vote of the meeting shall be decided on a show of hands, unless a poll is taken as may from time to time be required under the Listing Rules or any other applicable laws, rules or regulations or a poll is (before or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands) demanded by:
  - (i) the chairman;
  - (ii) at least 3 members present in person or by proxy or representative for the time being entitled to vote at the meeting;
  - (iii) any member or members present in person or by proxy or representative and representing not less than one-tenth of the total voting rights of all the members having the right to attend and vote at the meeting; or
  - (iv) any member or members present in person or by proxy or representative and holding shares in the Company conferring a right to attend and vote at the meeting being shares on which an aggregate sum has been paid up equal to not less than one-tenth of the total sum paid up on all the shares conferring that right; or
  - (v) if required by the Listing Rules, the Chairman of the meeting and/or the Directors who, individually or collectively, hold proxies in respect of shares representing five per cent (5%) or more of the total voting rights at such meeting if on show of hands a meeting votes in the opposite manner to that instructed in those proxies.

Unless a poll a poll is taken as may from time to time be required under the Listing Rules or any other applicable laws, rules or regulations or is so demanded and demand is not withdrawn, a declaration by the chairman that a resolution has, on a show of hands, been carried or carried unanimously or by a particular majority or lost and an entry to that effect in the book of the proceedings of the Company shall be conclusive evidence of that fact, without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against that resolution.

70. If a poll is required or duly demanded it shall (subject as provided in Article 73) be taken in such manner (including the use of ballot or voting papers or tickets or scrutineers) and at such time and place, not being more than 30 days from the date of the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the poll was required or demanded, as the chairman directs and the result of the poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting at which the poll was required or demanded. The Company shall only be required to disclose the voting figures on a poll if such disclosure is required by the Listing Rules. No notice need be given of a poll not taken immediately. The demand for a poll may be withdrawn with the consent of the chairman at

any time before the close of the meeting or the taking of the poll, whichever is the earlier.

- 71. All questions submitted to a meeting shall be decided by a simple majority of votes except where a greater majority is required by the Articles or by the Law. In the event of an equality of votes whether on a show of hands or on a poll, the chairman of the meeting shall be entitled to a second or casting vote.
- 72. The requirement or demand for a poll shall not prevent the continuance of a meeting for the transaction of any business other than the question on which a poll has been demanded.
- 73. A poll duly demanded on the election of a chairman of a meeting or on a question of adjournment shall be taken forthwith at the meeting and without adjournment. A poll demanded on any other question shall be taken at such time (being not later than 30 days after the date of the demand) and place as the chairman of the meeting directs.

#### **VOTES OF MEMBERS**

- 74. (A) Subject to any rights or restrictions for the time being attached to any class or classes of shares, on a show of hands every member present in person or by proxy or by authorized representative shall have one vote, and on a poll every member present in person or by proxy or by authorized representative shall have one vote for each share of which he is the holder and which is fully paid up or credited as fully paid up and shall have for every partly paid share of which he is the holder the fraction of one vote equal to the proportion which the nominal amount due and paid up or credited as paid up thereon bears to the nominal value of the share (but so that no amount paid up or credited as paid up on a share in advance of calls or instalments shall be treated for the purpose of this Article as paid up on the share). A person entitled to cast more than one vote upon a poll need not use all his votes or cast all the votes he uses in the same way.
  - (B) Where any member is, under any applicable laws or the Listing Rules as modified from time to time, required to abstain from voting on any particular resolution or restricted to voting only for or only against any particular resolution, any votes cast by or on behalf of such member in contravention of such requirement or restriction shall not be counted.
- 75. Any person entitled under Article 49 to be registered as a shareholder may vote at any general meeting in respect thereof in the same manner as if he were the registered holder of such shares provided that at least 48 hours before the time of the holding of the meeting or adjourned meeting (as the case may be) at which he proposes to vote, he shall satisfy the Directors of his right to be registered as the holder of such shares or the Directors shall have previously admitted his right to vote at such meeting in respect thereof.

- 76. In the case of joint holders the vote of the senior who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy or by representative, shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint holders; and for this purpose seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names stand in the register. Several executors or administrators of a deceased member in whose name any share stands shall for the purposes of this Article be deemed joint holders thereof.
- 77. A member of unsound mind or in respect of whom an order has been made by any court having jurisdiction in lunacy may vote, whether on a show of hands or on a poll, by his committee, receiver, curator bonis or other person in the nature of a committee, receiver, curator bonis appointed by that court and any such committee receiver, curator bonis or other person may on a poll vote by proxy.
- 78. If (a) any objection shall be raised to the qualification of any voter or (b) any votes have been counted which ought not to have been counted or which might have been rejected or (c) any votes are not counted which ought to have been counted, the objection or error shall not
  - vitiate the decision of the meeting or adjourned meeting on any resolution unless the same is raised or pointed out at the meeting or, as the case may be, the adjourned meeting at which the vote objected to is given or tendered or at which the error occurs. Any objection or error shall be referred to the chairman of the meeting and shall only vitiate the decision of the meeting on any resolution if the chairman decides that the same may have affected the decision of the meeting. The decision of the chairman on such matters shall be final and conclusive.
- 79. Any member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at a meeting of the Company shall be entitled to appoint another person as his proxy to attend and vote instead of him and a proxy so appointed shall have the same right as the member to speak at the meeting. Votes may be given either personally or by proxy. A proxy need not be a member of the Company. A member may appoint more than one proxy to attend in his stead at any one meeting of the Company but the number of proxies appointed by any one member (other than a recognized clearing house (or its nominee(s)) shall not exceed two. Where a member appoints more than one proxy the instrument of proxy shall state which proxy is entitled to vote on a show of hands and shall specify the number of shares in respect of which each proxy is entitled to exercise the related votes. For the avoidance of doubt, where more than one proxy is appointed by a recognized clearing house (or its nominee(s)), each such proxy shall have one vote on a show of hands and is under no obligation to cast all his votes in the same way on a poll.
- 80. The instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing under the hand of the appointor or of his attorney duly authorized in writing or, if the appointor is a corporation, either under seal or under the hand of an officer or attorney duly authorized.
- 81. The instrument appointing a proxy and the power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of that power or authority shall be deposited at the office or at the place or one of such places (if any) as may be specified for that purpose in or by way of note to the notice convening the meeting or in any notice of any adjourned meeting or, in either case, in any document sent therewith or in the instrument of proxy issued by the Company not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting or poll (as the case may be) at which the person named in the instrument proposes to vote and in default the instrument or proxy shall not be treated as valid. Delivery of an instrument appointing a proxy shall not preclude a member from attending and voting in person at the meeting or poll concerned.

- 82. No instrument appointing a proxy shall be valid after the expiration of 12 months from the date of its execution unless it states that it is valid for all meetings whatsoever until revoked with the exception that any instrument may be used at any adjournment of the meeting for which it was originally intended and on a poll demanded at a meeting or adjourned meeting provided that in all these cases the meeting was originally held within 12 months from such date.
- 83. The instrument appointing a proxy to vote at a general meeting shall be deemed to confer authority to demand or join in demanding a poll and to vote on any amendment of a resolution put to the meeting for which it is given as the proxy thinks fit.
- 84. A vote given in accordance with the terms of an instrument of proxy shall be valid notwithstanding the previous death or insanity of the principal or the revocation of the proxy or power of attorney or other authority under which the proxy was executed or transfer of the share in respect of which the proxy is given provided that no intimation in writing of the death, insanity, revocation or transfer has been received at the office or such other place as was specified for the deposit of instrument of proxy or by the chairman of the meeting at least 2 hours before the commencement of the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the instrument of proxy is used.
- 85. An instrument appointing a proxy whether for a specified meeting or otherwise may be in any usual or common form or in any other form which the Directors may approve provided that no provision contained herein shall prohibit, and the Directors shall not prohibit, the use of a proxy form with the provision for two-way voting and the Directors may, if they think fit, send out with the notice of any meeting forms of instruments of proxy for use at the meeting.
- 86. (A) Any corporation which is a member of the Company may, by resolution of its directors or other governing body or by power of attorney, authorize such person as it thinks fit to act as its representative at any meeting of the Company or of any class of members of the Company and the person so authorized shall be entitled to exercise the same powers on behalf of the corporation which he represents as that corporation could exercise if it were an individual member of the Company.
  - (B) Where that shareholder and/or warrantholder is a recognized clearing house (within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong)) or its nominee(s), it may authorise such person or persons as it thinks fit to act as its representative(s) or proxy(ies) at any shareholders' meeting or any meeting of any class of shareholders and/or warrantholders provided that, if more than one person is so authorised, the authorisation or proxy form must specify the number and class of shares and/or warrants in respect of which each such person is so authorised. The person so authorised will be entitled to exercise the same power on behalf of the recognized clearing house as that clearing house or its nominee(s) could exercise if it were an individual shareholder and/or warrantholder of the Company.

#### **OFFICE**

87. The office shall be at such place in the Cayman Islands as the Directors shall from time to time appoint.

#### **DIRECTORS**

- 88. Subject to the provisions of the Articles and the Law, the Company may by ordinary resolution elect any person to be a Director either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the existing Directors.
- 89. No person, other than a retiring Director, shall, unless recommended by the Directors for election, be eligible for election to the office of Director at any general meeting, unless notice in writing by some member (not being the person to be proposed) entitled to attend and vote at the meeting for which such notice is given of his intention to propose that person for election as Director and notice in writing by that person of his willingness to be elected shall have been given to the Company provided that the minimum length of the period, during which such notice are given, shall be at least 7 days. The period for lodgment of such notices shall commence no earlier than the day after the dispatch of notice of the general meeting appointed for such election and end no later than 7 days prior to the date of such general meeting.
- 90. Subject to any provision to the contrary in these Articles the Members may, at any general meeting convened and held in accordance with these Articles, by ordinary resolution remove a Director at any time before the expiration of his period of office notwithstanding anything in these Articles or in any agreement between the Company and such Director (but without prejudice to any claim for damages under any such agreement).
- 91. The Directors shall have the power from time to time and at any time to appoint any person as a Director either to fill a causal vacancy on the Board or as an addition to the existing Board but so that the number of Directors so appointed shall not exceed any maximum number determined from time to time by the Members in general meeting. Any Director so appointed by the Board shall hold office only until the next annual general meeting of the Company after his appointment, and shall then be eligible for re-election at that meeting.
- 92. A Director shall not be required to hold any qualification shares.
- 93. (A) The Directors shall be entitled to receive by way of remuneration for their services such sum as shall from time to be determined by the Company in general meeting, such sum (unless otherwise directed by the resolution by which it is voted) to be divided amongst the Directors in such proportions and in such manner as the Directors may agree or, failing such agreement, equally, except that in such event any Director holding office for less than the whole of the relevant period in respect of which the remuneration is paid shall only rank in such division in proportion to the time during such period for which he has held office.

- (B) The Company shall obtain the prior approval of its members in general meeting (at which the relevant Director and his associate(s) shall not vote on the matter) for any service contract to be granted by the Company or any of its subsidiaries to any Director or proposed Director of the Company or to any Director or proposed Director of any of its subsidiaries which:-
  - (i) is for the duration that may exceed three years: or
  - (ii) in order to entitle the Company to terminate the contract, expressly requires the Company to give a period of notice of more than, one year or to pay compensation or make other payments equivalent to more than one year's emoluments.
- (C) The Directors shall obtain the approval of the Company in general meeting before making any payment to any Director or past Director by way of compensation for loss of office or as consideration for or in connection with his retirement from office (not being a payment to which the Director is contractually entitled).
- 94. Any Director who, by request of the Directors or the Company, goes or resides outside the jurisdiction in which he normally resides for any purpose of the Company or holds any executive office or who serves on any committee or who otherwise performs services which in the opinion of the Directors are outside the scope of the ordinary duties of a Director may be paid such extra remuneration by way of salary, commission, participation in profits or otherwise as the Directors may determine.
- 95. The Directors shall also be entitled to be repaid all travelling, hotel and other expenses reasonably incurred by them respectively in or about the performance of their duties as Directors including their expenses of travelling to and from board meetings, committee meetings or general meetings or otherwise incurred whilst engaged on, in or about the business of the Company.
- 96. The Directors may establish and maintain or procure the establishment and maintenance of any contributory or non-contributory pension or superannuation funds or death or disability benefits for the benefit of, or give or procure the giving of donations, gratuities, pensions, allowances or emoluments to, any persons who are or were at any time in the employment or service of the Company or of any company which is a subsidiary of the Company or is allied or associated with the Company or with any such subsidiary company or who are or were at any time Directors or officers of the Company or any such other company as aforesaid and holding or who have held any salaried employment or office in the Company or such other company and the wives, widows, families and dependants of any such persons. The Directors may also establish and subsidise or subscribe to any institutions, associations, clubs or funds calculated to be for the benefit of or to advance the interests and well-being of the Company or of any such other company as aforesaid or of any such persons as aforesaid and may make payments for or towards the insurance of any such persons as aforesaid and subscribe or guarantee money for charitable or benevolent objects or for any exhibition or for any public,

general or useful object. The Directors may do all or any of the matters aforesaid, either alone or in conjunction with any such other company as aforesaid. Any Director holding any such employment or office shall be entitled to participate in and retain for his own benefit any such donation, gratuity pension, allowance or emolument.

- 97. Without prejudice to the provisions for retirement by rotation herein contained, the office of a Director shall be vacated if the Director:-
  - (i) becomes bankrupt or has a receiving order made against him or suspends payment or makes any arrangement or composition with his creditors generally;
  - (ii) becomes a lunatic or of unsound mind or a patient for any purpose of any statute relating to mental health and the Directors resolve that his office be vacated;
  - (iii) (not being a Director appointed to an office in the management or business of the Company under Article 108 whose contract precludes resignation) resigns his office by notice in writing to the Company;
  - (iv) is convicted of an indictable offence;
  - (v) has his office vacated or becomes prohibited from being a Director under any of the provisions of the Law or any order made under the Law;
  - (vi) absents himself from the meetings of the Directors during a continuous period of 6 months, without special leave of absence from the Directors and his alternate Director (if any) shall not during such period have attended in his stead and the Directors pass a resolution that his office be vacated by reason of such absence; or
  - (vii) shall be removed from office by notice in writing served upon him signed by all his co-Directors provided that such co-Directors shall not be less than 3 in number; or
  - (viii) shall be removed from office by a "ordinary resolution" of the Company under Article 90.
- 98. No Director shall be required to vacate office or be ineligible for re-election or reappointment as a Director and no person shall be ineligible for appointment as a Director by reason only of his having attained any particular age.

#### ROTATION OF DIRECTORS

99. Notwithstanding any other provisions in the Articles, at each annual general meeting one third of the Directors for the time being (or, if their number is not a multiple of three (3), the number nearest to but not less than one third) shall retire from office by rotation provided that every Director shall be subject to retirement at least once every three years.

- 100. A retiring Director shall be eligible for re-election and shall continue to act as a Director throughout the meeting at which he retires. The Directors to retire by rotation shall include (so far as necessary to ascertain the number of directors to retire by rotation) any Director who wishes to retire and not to offer himself for re-election. Any further Directors so to retire shall be those of the other Directors subject to retirement by rotation who have been longest in office since their last re-election or appointment and so that as between persons who became or were last re-elected Directors on the same day those to retire shall (unless they otherwise agree among themselves) be determined by lot. Any Director appointed pursuant to Article 88 or Article 91 shall not be taken into account in determining which particular Directors or the number of Directors who are to retire by rotation.
- 101. The Company at any general meeting at which any Directors retire in manner aforesaid may fill the vacated office by electing a like number of persons to be Directors.
- 102. The Company may from time to time in general meeting by ordinary resolution fix, increase or reduce the maximum and minimum number of Directors but so that the number of Directors shall never be less than 2.
- 103. The Company may keep at its office (or such other place as the Director may decide) a register in which there shall be entered such particulars in respect of the Directors and secretaries as the Directors deem fit.

### POWERS AND DUTIES OF DIRECTORS

- 104. (A) The business of the Company shall be managed by the Directors who, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, may pay all expenses incurred in setting up and registering the Company and may exercise all such powers of the Company as are not required, by the Article or by the Law, to be exercised by the Company in general meeting subject, nevertheless, to such regulations as may be prescribed by the Company in general meeting being not inconsistent with any of the Articles or the provisions of the Law; but no regulation made by the Company in general meeting shall invalidate any prior act of the Directors which would have been valid if that regulation had not been made. The general powers given by this Article shall not be limited or restricted by any special authority or power given to the Directors by any other Article.
  - (B) Without prejudice to the general powers conferred by the Articles, it is hereby expressly declared that the Directors shall have the following powers:-
    - (i) To give to any person the right or option of requiring at a future date that an allotment shall be made to him of any share at par or at such premium as may be agreed; and
    - (ii) To give to Directors, offices or servants of the Company an interest in any particular business or transaction or participation in the profits thereof or in the

general profits of the Company either in addition to or in substitution for a salary or other remuneration.

- 105. (A) The Company shall not, directly or indirectly:-
  - (i) make a loan to a Director of the Company or of any holding company of the Company;
  - (ii) enter into any guarantee or provide any security in connection with a loan made by any person to such a Director;
  - (iii) if any one or more of the Directors of the Company hold (jointly or severally or directly or indirectly) beneficially a controlling interest in another company, make a loan to that other company or enter into any guarantee or provide any security in connection with a loan made by any person to that other company.
  - (B) Subject to paragraphs (C), (D), (E), (F) and (G) of this Article, each of the following transactions shall be excepted from the prohibitions in paragraph (A) of this Article:-
    - (i) a loan by the Company to another company which is a member of the same group of companies as the Company or the Company's entering into a guarantee or providing any security in connection with a loan made by any person to that other company;
    - (ii) the Company's doing anything to provide any of its Directors with funds to meet expenditure incurred or to be incurred by him for the purposes of the Company or for the purpose of enabling him properly to perform his duties as an officer of the Company;
    - (iii) a loan by the Company to a Director of the Company:-
      - (a) for the purpose of facilitating the purchase, for use as that Director's only or main residence, of the whole or part of any residential premises together with any land to be occupied and enjoyed therewith;
      - (b) for the purpose of improving any residential premises so used or any land occupied and enjoyed therewith; or
      - (c) in substitution for any loan made by any person and falling within (a) or (b) above;
    - (iv) where the ordinary business of the Company includes the lending of money or the giving of guarantees in connection with loans made by other persons, a loan by the Company to any person or the Company's entering into a guarantee in connection with a loan by one person to another.

- (C) Subject to paragraph (F) of this Article, the exception specified in sub-paragraph (ii)of paragraph (B) of the Article shall operate only if either of the following conditions is satisfied:-
  - (i) the thing in question is done with the prior approval of the Company given at a general meeting at which the purpose of any expenditure and the amount of any loan to be made by the Company or the extent of the Company's liability under any guarantee to be given by the Company or, as the case may be, in respect of any security to be provided by the Company are disclosed; or
  - (ii) that thing is done on condition that, if the approval of the Company is not so given at or before the next following annual general meeting, the loan shall be repaid or that liability discharged within 6 months from the conclusion of that meeting.
- (D) Subject to paragraph (F) of this Article, the exception specified in sub-paragraph (iii) of paragraph (B) of this Article shall operate in respect of a loan referred to therein only if the following conditions are satisfied:-
  - (i) the Company ordinarily makes loans of that description to its employees on terms no less favourable than those on which the loan itself is made; and
  - (ii) the loan does not exceed 80 per cent of the value of the residential premises, or the part thereof, in question and any land to be occupied and enjoyed therewith as stated in a valuation report which complies with the following requirements:-
    - (a) the valuation report shall be made by professionally qualified valuation surveyor who is subject to the discipline of a professional body; and
    - (b) the valuation report shall be made and signed by the valuation surveyor not earlier than 3 months prior to the date on which the loan is made; and
  - (iii) the loan is secured by a legal mortgage on the land comprising the residential premises, or the part thereof, in question and any land to be occupied and enjoyed therewith.
- (E) Subject to paragraphs (F) and (G) of this Article, the exception specified in subparagraph (iv) of paragraph (B) of this Article shall operate only if the following conditions are satisfied:-
  - (i) the loan in question is made by the Company or it enters into the guarantee in question in the ordinary course of the Company's business; and

- (ii) the amount of the loan or the amount guaranteed is not greater, and the terms of the loan or guarantee are not more favorable, in the case of the person to whom the loan is made or in respect of whom the guarantee is entered into than that or those which it is reasonable to expect the Company to have offered to or in respect of a person of the same financial standing as that person but unconnected with the Company.
- (F) The exception specified in sub-paragraph (ii), (iii) or (iv) of paragraph (B) of this Article shall not authorize the Company to enter into a transaction if at the time that the transaction is entered into the aggregate of the following amounts:-
  - (i) the amount outstanding at that time on all loans made by the Company to any of its Directors otherwise than under sub-paragraph (i) of paragraph (B) of this Article:
  - (ii) the amount representing the maximum liability of the Company at that time under all guarantees entered into, and in respect of any security provided, by the Company in connection with loans made by any person to any of its Directors; and
  - (iii) if the transaction in question is:-
    - (a) a loan, the amount of such loan;
    - (b) a guarantee, the amount representing the maximum liability of the Company under such guarantee; or;
    - (c) the provision of a security, the amount representing the maximum liability of the Company in respect of such security, exceeds 5 per cent of the amount of the Company's net assets (as such term is defined in paragraph
      - (J) of this Article) as shown in latest balance sheet laid before the Company in general meeting.
- (G) The exception specified in sub-paragraph (iv) of paragraph (B) of this Article shall not authorize the Company to make a loan to any Director of the Company or of its holding company or, where any one or more of the Directors of the Company hold (jointly or severally or directly or indirectly) a controlling interest in another company, to that other company, or to enter into a guarantee in connection with a loan made by any person to any such Director or other company, if at the time that the loan is made or, as the case may be, that guarantee is given the aggregate of the following amounts exceeds HK\$500,000:-
  - (i) the principal of the loan to be made or guaranteed by the Company or, if the case so requires, so much of that principal as is so guaranteed;

- (ii) any amount outstanding at that time by way of principal on any other loan made by the Company by virtue of that exception to such Director or other company; and
- (iii) where at that time the Company is or may be made so liable in pursuance of any guarantee entered into by virtue of that exception, the amount for which the Company is or may be made liable in respect of the principal of any other loan to such Director or other company.
- (H) References in this Article, except in sub-paragraph (ii) or (iii) of paragraph (B) of this Article, to a Director shall include references to:-
  - (i) the spouse or any child or step-child of such Director;
  - (ii) a person acting in his capacity as the trustee (other than as trustee under an employees' share scheme or a pension scheme) of any trust the beneficiaries of which include the Director, his spouse or any of his children or step-children or the terms of which confer a power on the trustees that may be exercised for the benefit of the Director, his spouse or any of his children or step-children; and
  - (iii) a person acting in his capacity as partner of that Director or of his spouse, child or step-child, or of any trustee referred to in sub-paragraph (ii) above.
- (I) References in paragraph (H) of this Article to the child or step-child of any person shall include a reference to any illegitimate child of that person, but shall not include a reference to any person who has attained the age of 18 years.
- (J) For the purposes of paragraph (F) of this Article, "net assets", in relation to the Company, means the aggregate of the Company's assets less the aggregate of its liabilities, and for the purposes of this definition "liabilities" includes any provision within the meaning of the Tenth Schedule of the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 32 of the Laws of Hong Kong) except to the extent that provision is taken into account in calculating the value of any asset of the Company.
- 106. The Directors may from time to time and at any time by power of attorney or otherwise appoint any company, firm or person or any fluctuating body of persons, whether nominated directly or indirectly by the Directors, to be the attorney or attorneys of the Company for such purposes and with such powers, authorities and discretions (not exceeding those vested in or exercisable by the Directors under the Articles) and for such period and subject to such conditions as they may think fit and any such power of attorney may contain such provisions for the protection and convenience of persons dealing with any such attorney as the Directors may think fit and may also authorize any such attorney to sub-delegate all or any of the powers, authorities and discretions vested in him.

- 107. The Directors may establish any local committees, boards or agencies for managing any of the affairs of the Company, either in the Cayman Islands, Hong Kong or elsewhere, and may appoint any persons to be members of such committees, boards, or agencies and may appoint any manager or agents (and in particular, but without limitation, may appoint any company, firm or person to be the Company's investment manager) and may in each case fix their remuneration and may delegate to any local committee, board or agency any of the powers, authorities and discretions vested in the Directors (other than their powers to make calls and forfeit shares) with power to sub-delegate and may authorize the members of any local committee, board or agency or any of them to fill any vacancies therein and to act notwithstanding vacancies and any such appointment or delegation may be upon such terms and subject to such conditions as the Directors may think fit and the Directors may remove any person so appointed and may annul or vary any such delegation but no person dealing in good faith and without notice of any such annulment or variation shall be affected thereby.
- 108. The Directors may from time to time appoint one or more of their body to the office of Managing Director, Joint Managing Director, Deputy Managing Director or other Executive Director, General Manger, Joint General Manger and/or such other office in the management or business of the Company on such terms and for such period as they may determine and, without prejudice to terms of any contract entered into in any particular case, may at any time revoke any such appointment.
- 109. A Director appointed to an office under Article 108 shall be subject to the same provisions as to removal as the other Directors of the Company and he shall (subject to the provisions of any contract between him and the Company) ipso facto and immediately cease to hold such office if he shall cease to hold the office of Director for any cause.
- 110. The Directors may from time to time entrust to and confer upon a Managing Director, Joint Managing Director, Deputy Managing Director, Executive Director, General Manger or Joint General Manger or a Director appointed to any other office in the management or business of the Company any of the powers exercisable by them as Directors upon such terms and conditions and with such restrictions as they think fit and either collaterally with or to the exclusion of their own powers and may from time to time revoke, withdraw, alter or vary all or any of such powers but no person dealing in good faith and without notice of such revocation, withdrawal, alteration or variation shall be affected thereby.
- 111. Notwithstanding Article 93, 94, 95 and 96, the remuneration of a Managing Director, Joint Managing Director, Deputy Managing Director, Executive Director, General Manger or Joint General Manger or a Director appointed to any other office in the management of business of the Company shall from time to time be fixed by the Directors and may be by way of salary, commission, participation in profits or otherwise or by all or any of those modes and with such other benefits (including pension and/or gratuity and/or other benefits on retirement) and allowances as the Directors may from time to time decide. Such remuneration shall be in addition to his remuneration as a Director.

- 112. The Directors shall cause minutes to be duly entered in books provided for the purpose:-
  - (i) of all appointments of officers made by the Directors;
  - (ii) of the names of the Directors present at each meeting of the Directors and of any committee of Directors;
  - (iii) of all declarations made or notices given by any Director (either generally or specially) of his interest in any contract or proposed contract or of his holding of any office or property whereby any conflict of duty or interest may arise; and
  - (iv) of all resolutions and proceedings of general meetings of the Company and of meetings of the Directors and any committee of Directors;

and any such minutes of any general meeting of the Company or any meeting of the Directors or of any committee of Directors shall be signed by the chairman of such meeting or by the chairman of the next succeeding meting and if so signed shall be receivable as conclusive evidence of the matters stated therein.

## **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS**

- 113. Subject to the provisions of the Laws, a Director may be or become a director or other (A) officer of, or otherwise interested in, any company promoted by the Company or in which the Company may be interested as vendor, shareholder or otherwise and, subject to the Law, no such Director shall be accountable to the Company for any remuneration or benefits received by him as a director or officer of, or from his interest in, such other company unless the Company otherwise directs. The Directors may exercise the voting powers conferred by the shares in any other company held or owned by the Company or exercisable by them as director of such other company in such manner in all respects as they think fit (including the exercise thereof in favour of any resolution appointing themselves or any of them as director or other officers of such company) and any Director may vote in favour of the exercise of such voting rights in the manner aforesaid notwithstanding that he may be, or be about to be appointed a director or other officer of such a company and that as such he is or may become interested in the exercise of such voting rights in the manner aforesaid.
  - (B) A Director may hold any other office or place of profit under the Company (other than the office of auditor) in conjunction with his office of Director for such period and on such terms as to remuneration (whether by way of salary, commission, participation in profits or otherwise) as the Directors may determine and no Director or intending Director shall be disqualified by his office from contracting with the Company either with regard to his tenure of any such office or place of profit or as vendor, purchasers or otherwise nor shall any such contract or any contract or

arrangement entered into by or on behalf of the Company in which any Director is in any way interested (whether or not such contract or arrangement is with any person, company or partnership of or in which any Director shall be a member) be liable to be avoided on that account nor shall any Director so contracting or being so interested be liable to account to the Company for any profit realized by any such contract or arrangement by reason of such Director holding that office or of the fiduciary relationship thereby established provided that such Director shall forthwith disclose the nature of his interest in any contract or arrangement in which he is interested at the earliest meeting of the Directors at which it is practicable for him so to do notwithstanding that the question of entering into such contract or arrangement is not taken into consideration at that meeting.

- (C) A general notice to the Directors by a Director that he or his close associate(s) is/are to be regarded as interested in any contract or arrangement which may be made with a specified person, firm or corporation after the date of such notice shall be a sufficient declaration of interest in relation to any contract or arrangement so made, provided that no such notice shall be of effect unless either it is given at a meeting of the Directors or the Director takes reasonable steps to ensure that it is brought up and read at the next meeting of the Directors after it is given.
- (D) Any Director may act by himself or his firm in a professional capacity for the Company and he or his firm shall be entitled to remuneration for professional services as if he were not a Director; provided that a Director or his firm shall not act as auditors to the Company.
- (E) A Director shall not vote (nor be counted in the quorum) on any resolution of the Directors approving any contract or arrangement or proposal in which he or any of his close associate(s) is to his knowledge materially interest, and if he shall do so his vote shall not be counted (nor is he counted in the quorum for that resolution); but this prohibition shall not apply to any of the following matters namely:-
  - (i) the giving of any security or indemnity either:-
    - (a) to the Director or his close associate(s) in respect of money lent or obligations incurred or undertaken by him or any of them at the request of or for the benefit of the company or any of its subsidiaries; or
    - (b) to a third party in respect of a debt or obligation of the Company or any of its subsidiaries for which the Director or his close associate(s) has himself/themselves assumed responsibility in whole or in part and whether alone or jointly under a guarantee or indemnity or by the giving of security;
  - (ii) any proposal concerning an offer of shares or debentures or other securities of or by the Company or any other company which the Company may promote or

be interested in for subscription or purchase where the Director or his close associate(s) is/are or is/are to be interested as a participant in the underwriting or sub-underwriting of the offer;

- (iii) any proposal concerning any other company in which the Director or his close associate(s) is/are interested only, whether directly or indirectly, as an officer or executive or shareholder or in which the Director or his close associate(s) is/are beneficially interested in shares of that company, providing that the Director, and any of his close associates are, not in aggregate interested in 5% or more of the issued shares of any class of such company (or of any third company though which his interest or that of his close associates is derived) or of the voting rights;
- (iv) any proposal or arrangement concerning the benefit of employees of the Company or its subsidiaries including:-
  - (a) the adoption, modification or operation of any employees' share scheme or any share incentive or share option scheme under which the Director or his close associate(s) may benefit; or
  - (b) the adoption, modification or operation of a pension fund or retirement, death or disability benefits scheme which relates both to Directors, his close associates and employees of the issuer or any of its subsidiaries and does not provide in respect of any director, or his close associate(s), as such any privilege or advantage not generally accorded to the class of persons to which such scheme or fund relates; and
  - (v) any contract or arrangement in which the Director or his close associate(s) is/are interested in the same manner as other holders of shares or debentures or other securities of the Company by virtue only of his/their interest in shares or debentures or other securities of the Company.
- (F) If any question shall arise at any meeting of the Directors as to the materiality of the interest of a Director (other than the chairman of the meeting) or his close associate(s) or as to the entitlement of any Director (other than the chairman of the meeting) or his close associate(s) to vote or form part of a quorum and such question is not resolved by his/their voluntarily agreeing to abstain from voting or not to be counted in the quorum, such question shall be referred to the chairman of the meeting and his ruling in relation to such other Director shall be final and conclusive except in a case where the nature or extent of the interest of the Director concerned or his close associate(s) as known to such Director has not been fairly disclosed to the other Directors. If any question as aforesaid shall arise in respect of the chairman of the meeting or his close associates(s), such question shall be decided by a resolution of the Directors (for which purpose such chairman shall not vote thereon) and such resolution shall be final and conclusive except in a case where the nature or extent of the interest of such chairman or his close associate(s) as known to him has not been fairly disclosed to the

other Directors.

## PROCEEDINGS OF DIRECTORS

- 114. The Directors may meet together for the dispatch of business, adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings and proceedings as they think fit. Questions arising at any meeting shall be decided by a majority of votes and in the case of an equality of votes the chairman shall have a second or casting vote. A Director may, and the Secretary on the requisition of a Director shall, at any time summon a meeting of the Directors. Notice thereof shall be given to each Director and alternate Director either in writing or by telephone or by telex or telegram at the address from time to time notified to the Company by such Director or alternate Director or in such other manner as the Directors may from time to time determine provided that notice need not be given to any Director or alternate Director for the time being absent from Hong Kong. A Director may waive notice of any meeting either prospectively or retrospectively. The Directors or any committee of the Directors may participate in a meeting of the Directors or such committee by means of a conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting are capable of hearing each other.
- 115. A resolution in writing signed by all the Directors or their respective alternates shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Directors duly convened and held. Any such resolution may consist of several documents in like form each signed by one or more of the Directors or alternate Directors.
- 116. A meeting of the Directors for the time being at which a quorum is present shall be competent to exercise all or any of the authorities, powers and discretions by or under the Articles for the time being vested in or exercisable by the Directors generally.
- 117. Unless otherwise determined by the Directors, the quorum of a Directors' Meeting shall be 2. Any Director who ceases to be a Director at a Directors' meeting may continue to be present and to act as a Director and be counted in the quorum until the termination of the Directors' meeting if no other Director objects and if otherwise a quorum of Directors would not be present. For the purpose of this Article an alternate Director shall be counted in a quorum but, notwithstanding that an alternate Director is an alternate for more than one Director, he shall for quorum purposes be counted only as one Director.
- 118. The continuing Directors may act notwithstanding any vacancy in their body but, if and so long as their number is reduced below the number fixed by or pursuant to be Articles as the necessary quorum of Directors, the continuing Directors may act for the purpose of increasing the number of Directors to that number or of summoning a general meeting of the Company but for no other purpose.
- 119. The Directors may from time to time elect or otherwise appoint a Director to be Chairman or Deputy Chairman and determine the period for which each of them is to hold office. The Chairman or, in his absence, the Deputy Chairman shall preside at meetings of the Directors;

but if no such Chairman or Deputy Chairman is elected or appointed or if at any meting the Chairman or Deputy Chairman is not present within 5 minutes after the time appointed for holding the same, the Directors present shall choose one of their number to be chairman of the meeting.

- 120. The Directors may delegate, and impose regulations in respect of such delegation of, any of their powers, authorities and discretions to committees consisting of such member or members of their body and such other persons as they think fit provided that the majority of the members of any such committee are Directors of the Company and that no meeting of any such committee shall be qualified as a quorum for the purpose of exercising any of such powers, authorities or discretions unless a majority of those present are Directors of the Company. The Directors may from time to time revoke such delegation or revoke the appointment of and discharge any such committees either wholly or in part and either as to persons or purposes, and every committee so formed shall in the exercise of the powers so delegated conform to any regulations that may from time to time be imposed on it by the Directors.
- 121. All acts done by any such committee in conformity with such regulations and in fulfilment of the purposes for which it is appointed, but not otherwise, shall have the like force and effect as if done by the Directors and the Directors shall have power, with the consent of the Company in general meeting, to remunerate the members of any special committee and charge such remuneration to the current expenses of the Company.
- 122. The meetings and proceedings of any such committee consisting of 2 or more members shall be governed by the provisions herein contained for regulating the meetings and proceedings of the Directors including Article 115 so far as the same are applicable thereto and are not replaced by any regulations imposed by the Directors pursuant to Article 120.
- 123. All acts bona fide done by any meeting of the Directors or of a committee of Directors or by any person acting as a Director shall, notwithstanding that it be afterwards discovered that there was some defect in the appointment of any such Director or person acting as aforesaid or that they or any of them were or was disqualified, be as valid as if every such person had been duly appointed and was qualified to be a Director or member of such committee.

#### **ALTERNATE DIRECTORS**

124. (A) A Director may at any time by notice in writing delivered to the office or at a meeting of the Directors appoint any person (including another Director) to be an alternate Director in his place. Such appointment, unless previously approved by the Directors, shall have effect only upon and subject to being so approved. Any person so appointed shall (except when absent from Hong Kong) be entitled to receive notices of and to attend and vote at meetings of the Directors and be counted towards a quorum and generally at such meetings to perform all the functions of his appointor as a Director and shall automatically vacate his office on the expiration of the term for or the happening of the event until which he is by the terms of his appointment to

hold office or which, were he a Director, would cause him to vacate such office or if the appointor in writing revokes the appointment or himself ceases for any reason to hold office as a Director provided that, if at any meeting any Director retires by rotation or otherwise but is re-elected at the same meeting, any appointment made by him pursuant to this Article which was in force immediately before his retirement shall remain in force as though he had not retired. An appointment of an alternate Director under this Article shall not prejudice the right of the appointer to receive notices of and to attend and vote at meetings of the Directors and the powers of the alternate Director shall automatically be suspended during such time as the Director appointing him is himself present in person at a meeting of the Directors.

- (B) For the purposes of the proceedings at Directors' meetings the provisions of the Articles shall apply as if an alternate Director (instead of his appointor) were a Director. If he shall be himself a Director or shall attend any such meeting as an alternate for more than one Director his voting rights shall be cumulative. If his appointor is for the time being absent from Hong Kong or otherwise not available or unable to act, his signature to any resolution in writing of the Directors shall be as effective as the signature of his appointor. To such extent as the Directors may from time to time determine in relation to any committee of the Directors, the foregoing provisions of this paragraph shall also apply mutatis mutandis to any meeting of any such committee of which his appointor is a member. An alternate Director shall not, save as aforesaid, have power to act as a Director nor shall he be deemed to be a Director for the purposes of the Articles.
- (C) An alternate Director shall be entitled to contract and be interested in and benefit from contracts or arrangements or transactions and to be repaid expenses and to be indemnified to the same extent mutatis mutandis as if he were a Director but he shall not be entitled to receive from the Company in respect of his appointment as alternate Director any remuneration except only such part (if any) of the remuneration otherwise payable to his appointor as such appointor may be notice in writing to the Company from time to time direct.

## **MANAGERS**

- 125. The Directors may from time to time appoint a manager or managers of the business of the Company and may fix his or their remuneration either by way of salary of commission or by conferring the right to participation in the profits of the Company or by a combination of two or more of these modes and pay the working expenses of any of the staff of the manager or managers who may be employed by him or them in the business of the Company.
- 126. The appointment of such manager or managers may be for such period as the Directors may decide and the Directors may confer upon him or them all or any of the powers of the Directors and such title or titles as they may think fit.

127. The Directors may enter into such agreement or agreements with any such manager or managers upon such terms and conditions in all respects as the Directors may in their absolute discretion think fit, including a power for such manager or managers to appoint an assistant manager or managers or other employees whatsoever under them for the purpose of carrying on the business of the Company.

#### **SECRETARY**

- 128. The secretary shall be appointed by the Directors for such term, at such remuneration and upon such conditions as they may think fit; and any secretary so appointed may be removed by them. Anything by the Law or the Articles required or authorized to be done by or to the secretary, if the office is vacant or there is for any other reason no secretary capable o acting, may be done by or to any assistant or deputy secretary or if there is no assistant or deputy secretary capable of acting, by or to any officer of the Company authorized generally or specially in that behalf by the Directors.
- 129. Any provision of the Law or the Articles requiring or authorizing a thing to be done by or to a Director and the secretary shall not be satisfied by its being done by or to the same person acting both as Director and as, or in place of, the secretary.

## **BORROWING POWERS**

- 130. The Directors may exercise all the powers of the Company to borrow money, give guarantees and mortgages or charge its undertaking, property and uncalled capital, or any part thereof, and to issue debentures and other securities, whether outright or as collateral security for any debt, liability or obligation of the Company or of any third party.
- 131. Where any uncalled capital of the Company is charged, all persons taking any subsequent charge thereon shall take the same subject to such prior charge and shall not be entitled, by notice to the members or otherwise, to obtain priority over such prior charges.
- 132. Debentures, debenture stock, bonds and other securities may be made assignable free from any equities between the Company and the person to whom the same may be issued.
- 133. Any Debentures debenture stock, bonds or other securities may be issued at a discount, premium or otherwise and with any special privileges as to redemption, surrender, drawings, allotment of shares, attending and voting at general meetings of the Company, appointment of Directors and otherwise, but so that no shares shall be issued at a discount, except in accordance with the provisions of the Law.
- 134. The Directors shall cause a proper register to be kept, in accordance with the provisions of the Law, of all mortgages and charges specifically affecting the property of the Company and shall duly comply with requirements of the Law in regard to the registration of mortgages and charges therein specified and otherwise.

135. If the Company issues a series of debentures or debenture stock not transferable by delivery, the Directors shall cause a proper register to be kept of the holders of such debentures or debenture stock in accordance with the provisions of the Law.

# **CHEQUES**

136. All cheques, promissory notes, drafts, bills of exchange and other negotiable or transferable instruments and all receipts for moneys paid to the Company shall be signed, drawn, accepted, endorsed or otherwise executed, as the case may be, in such manner as the Directors shall from time to time by resolution determine. The Company's banking accounts shall be kept with such bankers as the Directors shall from time to time determine.

#### THE SEAL

- 137. (A) The Directors shall provide for safe custody of the seal which shall only be used with the authority of the Directors or of a committee authorized by the Directors in that behalf; and every instrument to which the seal shall be affixed shall be signed by either (i) one Director and the Secretary or (ii) one Director and some other person appointed by the Directors for the purpose or (iii) two Directors Provided that the Directors may either generally or in any particular case resolve (subject to such restrictions as to the manner in which the seal may be affixed as the Directors may determine) that such signature may be affixed to certificates for shares or debentures or representing any other form of security by some mechanical means other than autographic to be specified in such resolution. Every instrument executed in the manner provided by this Article shall be deemed to be sealed and executed with the authority of the Directors previously given.
  - (B) Subject to the provisions of the Law, the Company may have one or more duplicate seals outside the Cayman Islands as the Directors shall determine. The Company may use a duplicate seal for the purpose of sealing securities issued by the Company and for the purpose of sealing documents representing or evidencing the securities so issued. Wherever in the Articles reference is made to the seal, the reference shall, so far as may be applicable, be deemed to include such duplicate seals as aforesaid.

# **DIVIDENDS AND RESERVES**

- 138. Subject to the Law and as hereinafter set out, the Company in general meeting may declare dividends, in any currency, to be paid to the members according to their rights and privileges in the profits available for distribution but no dividend shall exceed the amount recommended by the Directors.
- 139. (A) The Directors may from time to time pay to the members such interim dividends as appear to the Directors to be justified by the position of the Company and, in particular (but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing), if at any time the capital of the Company is divided into different classes, the Directors may pay such

interim dividends in respect of those shares in the capital of the Company which confer on the holders thereof deferred or non-preferential rights as well as in respect of those shares which confer on the holders thereof preferential rights with regard to dividend but no interim dividend shall be paid on shares carrying deferred or non-preferential rights if, at the time of payment, any preferential dividend is in arrear provided that if the Directors act bona fide the Directors shall not incur any responsibility to the holders of shares conferring any preference for any damage that they may suffer by reason of the lawful payment of an interim dividend on any shares having deferred or non-preferential rights.

- (B) The Directors may also pay half-yearly or at other suitable intervals to be settled by them any dividend which may be payable at a fixed rate if the Directors are of the opinion that the position of the Company justifies the payment.
- 140. Dividends may be declared and paid out of the profits of the Company, realized or unrealized, or from any reserve set aside from profits which the Directors determine is no longer needed. Dividends may also be declared and paid out of share premium account or any other fund or account which can be authorized for this purpose in accordance with the Law.
- 141. Whenever the Directors or the Company in general meeting have resolved that a dividend be paid or declared, the Directors may further resolve that such dividend be satisfied wholly or in part by the distribution of specific assets of any kind and in particular of paid up shares, debentures or warrants to subscribe to securities of the Company or other company or in any one or more of such ways and where any difficulty arises in regard to such distribution, the Directors may settle the same as they think expedient and in particular may issue fractional certificates, disregard fractional entitlements or round the same up or down and may fix the value for distribution of such specific assets or any part thereof and may determine that cash payments shall be made to any members upon the footing of the value so fixed in order to adjust the rights of all parties and may vest any such specific assets in trustees as may seem expedient to the Directors and may appoint any person to sign any requisite instruments of transfer and others documents on behalf of the persons entitled to the dividend and such appointment shall be effective.
  - 142. (A) Whenever the Directors or the Company in general meeting have resolved that a dividend be paid or declared, the Directors may further resolve:-
    - Either (i(i) that such dividend be satisfied wholly or in part in the form of an allotment of shares credited as fully paid provided that the members entitled thereto will be entitled to elect to receive such dividend (or part thereof) in cash in lieu of such allotment. In such case, the following provisions shall apply:-

- (a) the basis of any such allotment shall be determined by the Directors;
- (b) the Directors, after determining the basis of allotment, shall give not less than 2 weeks' notice in writing to the members of the right of election accorded to them and shall send with such notice forms of election and specify the procedure to be followed and the place at which and the latest date and time by which duly completed forms of election must be lodged in order to be effective;
- (c) the right of election may be exercised in respect of the whole or part of that portion of the dividend in respect of which the right of election has been accorded;
- (d) the dividend (or that part of the dividend to be satisfied by the allotment of shares as aforesaid) shall not be payable in cash on shares in respect whereof the cash election has not been duly exercised ("the non-elected shares") and in lieu and in satisfaction thereof shares shall be allotted credited as fully paid to the members who have not duly exercised the said cash election on the basis of allotment determined as aforesaid and for such purpose the Directors shall capitalize and apply out of any part of the profits of the Company available for distribution or any part of any of the Company's reserve accounts (including any special account, share premium account and capital redemption reserve fund) as the Directors may determine, a sum equal to the aggregate nominal amount of the shares to be allotted on such basis and apply the same in paying up in full the appropriate number of shares for allotment and distribution to and amongst the allottees of the non-elected shares on such basis:
- or (ii) that the members entitled to such dividend shall be entitled to elect to receive an allotment of shares credited as fully paid in lieu of the whole or such part of the dividend as the Directors may think fit. In such case, the following provisions shall apply:-
  - (a) the basis of any such allotment shall be determined by the Directors:
  - (b) the Directors, after determining the basis of allotment, shall give not less than 2 weeks' notice in writing to the members of the right of election accorded to them and shall send with such notice forms of election and specify the procedure to be followed and the place at which and the latest date and time by which duly completed forms of election must be lodged in order to be effective;

- (c) the right of election may be exercised in respect of the whole or part of that portion of the dividend in respect of which the right of election has been accorded:
- (d) the dividend (or that part of the dividend in respect of which a right of election has been accorded) shall not be payable on shares in respect whereof the share election has been duly exercised ("the elected shares") and in lieu and in satisfaction thereof shares shall be allotted credited as fully paid to the members who have duly exercised the said share election on the basis of allotment determined as aforesaid and for such purpose the Directors shall capitalize and apply out of any part of the profits of the Company available for distribution or any part of any of the Company's reserve accounts (including any special account, share premium account and capital redemption reserve fund) as the Directors may determine, a sum equal to the aggregate nominal amount of the shares to be allotted on such basis and apply the same in paying up in full the appropriate number of shares for allotment and distribution to and amongst the allottees of the elected shares on such basis.
- (B) The shares allotted pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (A) of this Article shall rank pari passu in all respects with the shares then in issue save only as regards participation:-
  - (i) in the relevant dividend (or the right to receive or to elect to receive an allotment of shares in lieu and in satisfaction thereof as aforesaid); or
  - (ii) in any other distributions, bonuses or rights paid, made, declared or announced prior to or contemporaneously with the payment or declaration of the relevant dividend

unless, contemporaneously with the announcement by the Directors of their proposal to apply the provisions of sub-paragraph (i) or (ii) of paragraph (A) of this Article in relation to the relevant dividend or contemporaneously with their announcement of the distribution, bonus or rights in question, the Directors shall specify that the shares to be allotted pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (A) of this Article shall rank for participation in such dividend, distribution, bonus or rights.

(C) The Directors may do all acts and things considered necessary or expedient to give effect to any capitalization pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (A) of this Articles with full power to the Directors to make such provisions as they think fit in the case of shares becoming distributable in fractions (including provisions whereby, in whole or in part, fractional entitlements are aggregated and sold and the net proceeds

distributed to those entitled or are disregarded or rounded up or down or whereby the benefit of fractional entitlements accrues to the Company rather than to the members concerned). The Directors may authorize any person to enter into, on behalf of all members interested, an agreement with the Company providing for such capitalization and matters incidental thereto and any agreement made pursuant to such authority shall be effective and binding on all concerned.

- (D) The Company may, upon the recommendation of the Directors, by special resolution resolve in respect of any one particular dividend of the Company that notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (A) of this Article a dividend may be satisfied wholly in the form of an allotment of shares credited as fully paid without offering any right to members to elect to receive such dividend in cash in lieu of such allotment.
- (E) The Directors may on any occasion determine that rights of election and the allotment of shares under paragraph (A) of this Article shall not be made available or made to any members with registered addresses in any territory where in the absence of a registration statement or other special formalities the circulation of an offer of such rights of election or the allotment of shares would or might be unlawful and in such event the provisions aforesaid shall be read and construed subject to such determination.
- 143. Subject to the rights of persons, if any, entitled to shares with special rights as to dividends, all dividends shall be declared and paid according to the amounts paid or credited as paid on the shares in respect whereof the dividend is paid but no amount paid or credited as paid on a share in advance of calls shall be treated for the purposes of this Article as paid on the share. All dividends shall be apportioned and paid proportionately to the amounts paid or credited as paid on the shares during any portion or portions of the period in respect of which the dividend is paid; but if any share is issued on terms providing that it shall rank for dividend as from a particular date such share shall rank for dividend accordingly. The Directors may deduct from any dividend, bonus or distribution payable to any member all sums of money (if any) presently payable by him to the Company on account of calls, instalments or otherwise in relations to the shares of the Company.
- 144. The Directors may retain any dividends or other moneys payable on or in respect of a share upon which the Company has a lien and may apply the same in or towards satisfaction of the debts, liabilities or engagements in respect of which the lien exists.
- 145. The Directors may, before recommending any dividend, set aside out of the profits of the Company such sums as they think proper as a reserve or reserves which shall, at the discretion of the Directors, be applicable for meeting claims on or liabilities of the Company or contingencies or for paying off any loan capital or for equalizing dividends or for any other purpose to which the profits of the Company may be lawfully applied and pending such application may, at the like discretion, either be employed in the business of the Company or be invested in such investments (other than shares or warrants of the Company) as the Directors may from time to time think fit and so that it shall not be necessary to keep any

investments constituting the reserve or reserves separate or distinct from any other investments of the Company. The Directors may also without placing the same to reserve carry forward any profits which they may think prudent not to distribute by way of dividend.

- 146. Any general meeting sanctioning a dividend may make a call on the members of such amount as the meeting fixes but so that the call on each member shall not exceed the dividend payable to him and so that the call shall be made payable at the same time as the dividend and the dividend may, if so arranged between the Company and the member, be set off against the call.
- 147. A transfer of shares shall not pass the right to any dividend or bonus declared thereon before the registration of the transfer.
- 148. Notwithstanding anything herein contained, if two or more persons are registered as joint holders of any share, any one of them may give an effectual receipt for any dividends, interim dividends or bonuses or other moneys payable on or in respect of such shares.
- 149. Unless otherwise directed by the Directors, any dividend, interest, bonus or other sum payable in cash to the members may be paid by cheque or warrant sent through the post to the registered address of the member or person entitled thereto or to such person at such address as the member or person entitled (as the case may be) may direct. Every such cheque or warrant shall be made payable to the order of the person to whom it is sent or to the order of such other person as the member or person entitled (as the case may be) may direct and shall be sent at this own risk and the payment of any such cheque or warrant shall operate as a good discharge to the Company in respect of the dividend, interest, bonus or other sum represented thereby, notwithstanding that it may subsequently appear that the same has been stolen or that any endorsement thereon has been forged.
- 150. All dividends or bonuses unclaimed for one year after having been declared may be invested or otherwise made use of by the Directors for the benefit of the Company until claimed and the Company shall not be constituted a trustee in respect thereof or any profit or benefit derived therefrom. All dividends or bonuses unclaimed for 6 years after having been declared shall be forfeited by the Directors and shall revert to the Company.
- 151. (A) The Directors may, with the sanction of an ordinary resolution of the Company, capitalize any sum standing to the credit of any of the Company's reserve accounts (including share premium account and capital redemption reserve fund) or any sum standing to the credit of any profit and loss account or otherwise available for distribution (and not required for the payment or provision of the dividend on any shares with a preferential right to dividend) by appropriating such sum to the holders of shares in the proportions in which such sum would have been divisible amongst them had the same been a distribution of profits by way of dividend and applying such sum on their behalf in or towards paying up any amounts for the time being unpaid on any shares held by them respectively or in paying up in full unissued shares (or, subject to any special rights previously conferred on any shares or class of shares

for the time being issued, unissued shares of any other class not being redeemable shares), debentures or other obligations of the Company for allotment and distribution credited as fully paid up to and amongst them in the proportion aforesaid, or partly in the one way and partly in the other; Provided that a share premium account and a capital redemption reserve fund and any reserve or fund representing unrealized profits may, for the purposes of this Article, only be applied in paying up unissued shares to be allotted to members as fully paid bonus shares.

- Whenever such a resolution as aforesaid shall have been passed the Directors shall (B) make all appropriations and applications of the undivided profits resolved to be capitalized thereby and all allotments and issues of fully paid up shares or debentures, if any, and generally shall do all acts and things considered necessary or expedient to give effect to any such capitalization. In particular where any difficulty arises in regard to any distribution under paragraph (A) of this Article the Directors may settle the same as they think expedient and in particular may issue fractional certificates or authorize any person to sell and transfer any fractions or may resolve that the distribution should be as nearly as may be practicable in the correct proportion but not exactly so or may ignore fractions altogether and may determine that cash payments shall be made to any members in order to adjust the rights of all parties, as may seem expedient to the Directors. The Directors may authorize any person to enter on behalf of all the members entitled thereto into an agreement with the Company providing for any such capitalization and matters incidental thereto including the allotment to them respectively, credited as fully paid up, of any further shares or debentures to which they may be entitled upon such capitalization or, as the case may require, the payment up by the Company on their behalf, by the application thereto of their respective proportions of the profits resolved to be capitalized, of the amounts or any part of the amounts remaining unpaid on their existing shares and any agreement made under such authority shall be effective and binding on all concerned.
- 152. (A) If, so long as any of the rights attached to any warrants issued by the Company to subscribe for shares of the Company shall remain exercisable, the Company does any act or engages in any transaction which, as a result of any adjustments to the subscription price in accordance with the provisions of the conditions of the warrants, would reduce the subscription price to below the par value of a share then the following provisions shall apply:-
  - (i) as from the date of such act or transaction the Company shall establish and thereafter (subject as provided in this Article) maintain in accordance with the provisions of this Article a reserve (the "Subscription Right Reserve") the amount of which shall at no time be less than the sum which for the time being would be required to be capitalized and applied in paying up in full the nominal amount of the additional shares required to be issued and allotted credited as fully paid pursuant to sub-paragraph (iii) of this paragraph (A) on the exercise in full of all the subscription rights outstanding and shall apply the Subscription Right Reserve in paying up such additional shares in full as and when the same are allotted;

- (ii) the Subscription Right Reserve will not be used for any purpose other than that specified above until all other reserves of the Company (other than share premium account and capital redemption reserve fund) have been used and will then only be used to make good losses of the Company if and so far as is required by law;
- (iii) upon the exercise of all or any of the subscription rights represented by any warrant, the relevant subscription rights shall be exercisable in respect of a nominal amount of shares equal to the amount in cash which the holder of such warrant is required to pay on exercise of the subscription rights) and, in addition, there shall be allotted in respect of such subscription rights to the exercising warrantholder, credited as fully paid, such additional nominal amount of shares as is equal to the difference between:-
  - (a) the said amount in cash which the holder of such warrant is required to pay on exercise of the subscription rights represented thereby (or, as the case may be, the relevant portion thereof in the event of a partial exercise of the subscription rights); and
  - (b) the nominal amount of shares in respect of which such subscription rights would have been exercisable having regard to the provisions of the conditions of the warrants, had it been possible for such subscription rights to represent the right to subscribe for shares at less than par and immediately upon such exercise so much of the sum standing to the credit of the Subscription Right Reserve as is required to pay up in full such additional nominal amount of shares shall be capitalized and applied in paying up in full such additional nominal amount of shares which shall forthwith be allotted credited as fully paid to the exercising warrantholder;
- (iv) if upon the exercise of the subscription rights represented by any warrant the amount standing to the credit of the Subscription Right Reserve is not sufficient to pay up in full such additional nominal amount of shares equal to such difference as aforesaid to which the exercising warrantholder is entitled, the Director shall apply any profits or reserves then or thereafter becoming available (including to the extent permitted by law, share premium account and capital redemption reserve fund) for such purpose until such additional nominal amount of shares is paid up and allotted as aforesaid and until such time no dividend or other distribution shall be paid or made on the shares. Pending such payment up and allotment the exercising warrantholder shall be issued by the Company with a certificate evidencing his right to the allotment of such additional nominal amount of shares. The rights represented by any such certificate shall be in registered form and shall be transferable in whole or in part in units of one share in the like manner as the shares for the time being transferable, and the Company

shall make such arrangements in relation to the maintenance of a register therefore and other matters in relation thereto as the Directors may think fit and adequate particulars thereof shall be made known to each relevant exercising warrantholder upon the issue of such certificate.

- (B) Shares allotted pursuant to the provisions of this Article shall rank pari passu in all respects with the other shares allotted on the relevant exercise of the subscription rights represented by the warrant concerned.
- (C) Notwithstanding anything contained in paragraph (A) of this Article no fraction of a share shall be allotted on exercise of the subscription rights.
- (D) The provisions of this Article as to the establishment and maintenance of the Subscription Right Reserve shall not be altered or added to in any way which would vary or abrogate, or which would have the effect of varying or abrogating, the provisions for the benefit of any warrantholder or class of warrantholders under this Article without the sanction of a special resolution of such warrantholders or class of warrantholders.
- (E) A certificate or report by the auditors for the time being of the Company as to whether or not the Subscription Right Reserve is required to be established and maintained and if so the amount thereof so required to be established and maintained, as to the purposes for which the Subscription Right Reserve has been used, as to the extent to which it has been used to make good losses of the Company, as to the additional nominal amount of share required to be allotted to an exercising warrantholder credited as fully paid and as to any other matter concerning the Subscription Right Reserve shall (in the absence of manifest error) be conclusive and binding upon the Company and all warrantholders.

## **RECORD DATES**

153. Notwithstanding any other provision of these presents the Company or the Directors may fix any date as the record date for any dividend, distribution, allotment or issue and such record date may be on or at any time before or after any date on which such dividend, distribution, allotment or issue is declared, paid or made.

## **ANNUAL RETURNS**

154. The Directors shall make the requisite annual returns in accordance with the Law.

#### **ACCOUNTS**

- 155. The Directors shall cause proper books of account to be kept with respect to:-
  - (i) all sums of money received and expended by the Company and the matters in respect

of which the receipt and expenditure took place;

- (ii) all sales and purchases of goods by the Company; and
- (iii) the properties, assets, credits and liabilities of the Company and of all other matters required by the Law.

Proper books shall not be deemed to be kept if there are not kept such books of account as are necessary to give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs and to explain its transactions.

- 156. The books of account shall be kept at the Company's principal place of business in Hong Kong or at such other place as the Directors think fit and shall always be open to inspection by the Directors.
- 157. The Directors shall from time to time determine whether and to what extent and at what times and places and under what conditions or regulations the account and books of the Company or any of them shall be open to the inspection of members not being Directors and no member (not being a Director) shall have any right of inspecting any account or book or document of the Company except as conferred by law or authorized by the Directors or by the Company in general meeting.
- 158. The Directors shall from time to time, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Law, cause to be prepared and audited by the auditors for the time being of the Company such profit and loss accounts, balance sheets and group accounts (if any) as are referred to in those provisions. Such profit and loss accounts, balance sheets and group accounts (if any) as shall have been audited by the auditors for the time being of the Company and such other reports as are referred to in the relevant provisions of the Law shall be laid before the Company at the annual general meeting which must be held in accordance with the provisions of Article 56.
- 159. Every balance sheet of the Company shall be signed pursuant to the relevant provisions of the Law and, subject to those provisions, a copy of every balance sheet (including every document required by law to be annexed thereto) and profit and los account which is to be laid before the Company at the annual general meeting, together with a copy of the Directors' report and a copy of the auditors' report, shall be sent to every member of, and every holder of debentures of, the Company and every person registered under Article 49 and to all persons other than members or holders of debentures of the Company, being persons entitled to receive notices of general meetings of the Company, at the same time as notice of the meeting is being sent. Provided that this Article shall not require a copy of those documents to be sent to any person of whose address the Company is not aware or to more than one of the joint holders of any shares or debentures. Copies of each of the said documents shall also be forwarded in appropriate number to the relevant stock exchange on which the shares of the Company shall be listed or the relevant committee thereof in accordance with the terms of any listing agreement for the time being binding on the Company or with the

continuing obligation binding on the Company by virtue of any listing.

## **BRANCH REGISTERS**

160. Subject to the provisions of the Law, if the Directors consider it necessary or appropriate, the Company may establish and maintain a branch register of members at such location within or outside the Cayman Islands as the Directors think fit. The Directors may, subject to the Law, make or vary from time to time such provisions as they think fit in respect of the keeping of any such branch register and the transfer of shares to, on or from any such branch register and may comply with the requirements of any local law.

#### **AUDIT**

- 161. (1) At the annual general meeting or at a subsequent extraordinary general meeting in each year, the Members may by ordinary resolution appoint an auditor to audit the accounts of the company and such auditor shall hold office until the next annual general meeting. Such auditor may be a Member but no Director or officer or employee of the Company shall, during his continuance in office, be eligible to act as an auditor of the Company.
  - (2) The Members may, at any general meeting convened and held in accordance with these Articles, by ordinary resolution remove the Auditor at any time before the expiration of his term of office and shall by ordinary resolution at that meeting appoint another Auditor in his stead for the remainder of his term.
  - (3) Subject to the Law the accounts of the Company shall be audited at least once in every year.
  - (4) The remuneration of the Auditor shall be fixed by the Company in general meeting by ordinary resolution or in such manner as the Members may in general meeting determine.
  - (5) If the office of auditor becomes vacant by the resignation or death of the Auditor, or by his becoming incapable of acting by reason of illness or other disability at a time when his services are required, the Directors shall fill the vacancy and fix the remuneration of the Auditor so appointed.
- 162. The Auditor shall at all reasonable times have access to all books kept by the Company and to all accounts and vouchers relating thereto; and he may call on the Directors or officers of the Company for any information in their possession relating to the books or affairs of the Company.
- 163. The statement of income and expenditure and the balance sheet provided for by these Articles shall be examined by the Auditor and compared by him with the books, accounts and vouchers relating thereto; and he shall make a written report thereon stating whether such statement and balance sheet are drawn up so as to present fairly the financial position of

the Company and the results of its operations for the period under review and, in case information shall have been called for from Directors or officers of the Company, whether the same has been furnished and has been satisfactory. The financial statements of the

Company shall be audited by the Auditor in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. The Auditor shall make a written report thereon in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the report of the Auditor shall be submitted to the Members in general meeting. The generally accepted auditing standards referred to herein may be those of a country or jurisdiction other than the Cayman Islands. If so, the financial statements and the report of the Auditor should disclose this fact and name such country or jurisdiction.

## **NOTICES**

- 164. Any notice or document (including a share certificate) may be given by the Company to any member either personally or by sending it by post to him at his registered address as appearing in the register or at the address, within or outside the Cayman Islands, supplied by him to the Company for the sending of notices or documents to him or by advertisement to be published in the newspaper. A member who has no address of either type as aforesaid shall be deemed to have received any notice which shall have been displayed at the office or ar the principal place of business for the time being of the Company in Hong Kong and shall have remained there for the period of 24 hours and such notice shall be deemed to have been received by such member on the day following that on which it shall have been first so displayed.
- 165. Subject to Article 164, where a notice is sent by post, service of the notice shall be deemed to be effected by properly addressing, prepaying and posting an envelope or a wrapper containing the notice and to have been effected on the day following that on which the envelope or wrapper containing the same is put into a post office situated within the Cayman Islands or Hong Kong and in proving such service it shall be sufficient to prove that the envelope or wrapper containing the notice was properly prepaid, addressed and put into such post office and a certificate in writing signed by the secretary or other person appointed by the Directors that the envelope or wrapper containing the notice was so addressed and put into such post office shall be conclusive evidence thereof. Any notice or other document delivered or left at the registered address or address supplied for the sending of notices or documents to him otherwise than by post shall be deemed to have been served or delivered on the day it was delivered or left.
- 166. A notice may be given by the Company to the joint holders of a share by giving the notice to the joint holder named first in the register in respect of the share and notice so given shall be sufficient notice to all the joint holders.
- 167. A notice may be given by the Company to the persons entitled to a share in consequence of the death, mental disorder or bankruptcy of a member by sending it through the post in a prepaid envelope or wrapper addressed to them by name or by the title of representatives of the deceased or trustee of the bankrupt or committee, receiver, curator bonis or other person in the nature of a committee, receiver or curator bonis appointed by the court or by any like description at the address, if any, within the Cayman Islands or Hong Kong supplied for the purpose by the persons claiming to be so entitled or, until such an address has been so

- supplied, by giving the notice in any manner in which the same might have been given if the death, mental disorder or bankruptcy had not occurred.
- 168. Any person who, by operation of law, transfer or other means whatsoever, becomes entitled to any share shall be bound by every notice in respect of such share which, prior to his name and address being entered in the register, shall have been duly given under the Articles to the person from whom he derived his title to such share.
- 169. Notice of every general meeting shall be given in any manner hereinbefore authorized to (a) every member, (b) every person entitled to a share in consequence of the death, mental disorder or bankruptcy of a member who, but for his death, mental disorder or bankruptcy, would be entitled to receive notice of the meeting, and (c) the auditors for the time being of the Company. No other persons shall be entitled to receive notice of general meetings.
- 170. Any notice or document delivered or sent by post or left at the registered address or the address supplied by him for the sending of notices or documents to him of any member in pursuance of the Articles shall, notwithstanding that such member be then deceased or bankrupt or that any other event has occurred and whether or not the Company has notice of his death, bankruptcy or such other event, be deemed to have been duly served in respect of any registered shares whether held solely or jointly with other persons by such member until some other person be registered in his stead as the holder or joint holder thereof and such service shall for all purposes of the Articles be deemed a sufficient service of such notice or document on all persons interested (whether jointly with or as claiming through or under him) in the share.
- 171. The signature to any notice to be given by the Company may be written or printed.

#### **INFORMATION**

172. No member shall be entitled to require discovery of or any information respecting any detail of the Company's trading or any matter which is or may relate to the conduct of the business of the Company and which in the opinion of the Directors it will be inexpedient in the interests of the members of the Company to communicate to the public.

## **DESTRUCTION OF DOCUMENTS**

- 173. The Company may destroy:-
  - (i) any share certificate which has been cancelled at any time after the expiry of one year from the date of such cancellation:
  - (ii) any dividend mandate or any variation or cancellation thereof or any notification of change of name or address at any time after the expiry of 2 years from the date such mandate, variation, cancellation or notification was recorded by the Company;

- (iii) any instrument of transfer of shares which has been registered at any time after the expiry of 6 years from the date of registration; and
- (iv) any other document on the basis of which any entry in the register is made at any time after the expiry of 6 years from the date an entry in the register was first made in respect of it;

and it shall conclusively be presumed in favour of the Company that every share certificate so destroyed was a valid certificate duly and properly cancelled and that every instrument of transfer so destroyed was a valid and effective instrument duly and properly registered and that every other document destroyed hereunder was a valid and effective document in accordance with the recorded particulars thereof in the books or records of the Company. Provided always that:-

- (a) the foregoing provisions of this Article shall apply only to the destruction of a document in good faith and without express notice to the Company that the preservation of such document was relevant to a claim;
- (b) nothing contained in this Article shall be construed as imposing upon the Company any liability in respect of the destruction of any such document earlier than as aforesaid or in any case where the conditions of proviso (a) above are not fulfilled; and
- (c) references in this Article to the destruction of any document include references to its disposal in any manner.

#### WINDING-UP

- 174. If the Company is wound up and the assets available for distribution among the members as such are insufficient to repay the whole of the paid-up capital, such assets shall be distributed so that as nearly as may be the losses shall be borne by the members in proportion to the capital paid up or which ought to have been paid up at the commencement of the winding-up on the shares held by them respectively. If in a winding-up the assets available for distribution among the members are more than sufficient to repay the whole of the capital paid up at the commencement of the winding-up, the excess shall be distributed amongst the members in proportion to the capital at the commencement of the winding-up paid up by them respectively. This Article shall not add to or detract from the rights of the holders of shares issued upon special terms and conditions.
- 175. No fee or commission shall be paid by the Company to any Director or liquidator upon any sale or realization of the Company's undertaking or assets or any part thereof except with the sanction of a general meeting convened by notice specifying the fee or commission proposed to be paid.
- 176. If the Company shall be wound up (whether voluntarily or under supervision of or by the

court), the liquidator may, with the sanction of a special resolution of the Company and any other sanction required by the Law, divide amongst the members in specie or kind the whole or any part of the assets of the Company (whether they shall consist of property of the same kind or not) and may, for such purposes, set such value as he deems fair upon any property to be divided as aforesaid and may determine how such division shall be carried out as between the members or different classes of members. The liquidator may, with the like sanction, vest the whole or any part of such assets in trustees upon such trusts for the benefit of the contributories as the liquidator, with the like sanction, shall think fit and the liquidation of the Company may be closed and the Company dissolved, but so that no member shall be compelled to accept any shares or other securities whereon there is any liability.

177. In the event of a winding-up of the Company, every member of the Company who is not for the time being in Hong Kong shall be bound, within 14 days after the passing of an effective resolution to wind up the Company voluntarily or the making of an order for the winding-up of the Company, to serve notice in writing on the Company appointing some person resident in Hong Kong and stating that person's full name, address and occupation upon whom all summonses, notices, process, order and judgments in relation to or under the winding-up of the Company may be served and in default of such nomination the liquidator of the Company shall be at liberty on behalf of such member to appoint some such person and service upon any such appointee, whether appointed by the member or the liquidator, shall be deemed to be good personal service on such member for all purposes and, where the liquidator makes any such appointment, he shall with all convenient speed give notice thereof to such member by advertisement to be published in the newspaper or by a registered letter sent through the post and addressed to such member at his address as mentioned in the register and such notice shall be deemed to be served on the day following that on which the advertisement appears or the letter is posted.

#### **INDEMNITY**

- 178. (A) Subject to the provisions of and so far as may be permitted by the Law, every Director, auditors, secretary or other officer of the Company and every agent or employee of the Company shall be entitled to be indemnified by the Company out of the assets of the Company against all costs, charges, losses, expenses and liabilities which he may sustain or incur in or about the execution and discharge of his duties or in relation thereto including any liability incurred by him in defending any proceeding, civil or criminal, which relate to anything done or omitted or alleged to have been done, or omitted by him as officer or employee of the Company and in which judgment is given in his favour (or the proceedings are otherwise disposed of without any finding or admission of any material breach of duty on his part) or in which he is acquitted or in connection with any application under any law for relief from liability in respect of any such act or omission in which relief is granted to him by any court of competent jurisdiction.
  - (B) Subject to the provisions of the Law, if any Director and/or other person shall become personally liable for the payment of any sum primarily due from the Company, the

Directors may execute or cause to be executed any mortgage, charge, or security over or affecting the whole or any part of the assets of the Company by way of indemnity to secure the Director and/or person so becoming liable as aforesaid from any loss in respect of such liability.

- 179. The financial year-end of the Company shall be prescribed by the Directors and may, from time to time, be changed by them.
- 180. Subject to the provisions of the Law, the Company may at any time and from time to time by special resolution alter or amend the Memorandum of Association or the Articles in whole or in part.