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## **Sterling Group Holdings Limited**

**美臻集團控股有限公司\***

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

**(Stock Code: 1825)**

### **VOLUNTARY ANNOUNCEMENT RECEIPT OF EARLY LOAN REPAYMENT**

References are made to the announcements of Sterling Group Holdings Limited (the “**Company**”, together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) dated 24 November 2023, 3 June 2024, 30 August 2024, 24 April 2025, 30 April 2025 and 8 May 2025 (the “**Announcements**”) and the circular dated 26 February 2025 (the “**Circular**”), in relation to, among others, a major and connected transaction; a continuing connected transaction and connected transaction; a major transaction; and a continuing connected transaction. Unless defined otherwise, capitalised terms used herein shall bear the same meaning as those defined in the Announcements and the Circular.

Pursuant to the Loan Agreement, SAL provided Santai with the Santai Advances in the principal amount of US\$4,212,811 (equivalent to HK\$32,859,926) at an interest rate of 7% per annum. After recent negotiations with Santai, the Group has successfully reached an agreement with Santai that Santai will make an additional early repayment towards the outstanding balance of the loan, in addition to the HK\$10 million, HK\$3.3 million and HK\$6 million repayments made on 24 April 2025, 30 April 2025 and 8 May 2025, respectively. The Company considers such early repayment to be very beneficial to the financial conditions of the Group as a whole. There is no penalty for repayment of principal and relevant interest amount at any time under the Loan Agreement.

The Board is pleased to announce that on 15 May 2025, Santai repaid HK\$8 million as repayment of principal of the Santai Advances to the Group. The Company considers such early repayment to be beneficial to the business and cash flows of the Group as a whole.

By order of the Board  
**Sterling Group Holdings Limited**  
美臻集團控股有限公司\*  
**Wong Mei Wai Alice**  
*Chairperson, Executive Director  
and Chief Executive Officer*

Hong Kong, 15 May 2025

*As at the date of this announcement, Ms. Wong Mei Wai Alice is the executive Director and Chairperson, Mr. Siu Yik Ming and Mr. Ma Jian are the executive Directors, and Ms. Zhang Lingling, Mr. Chow Yun Cheung and Mr. Zhao Chuan are the independent non-executive Directors.*

\* *For identification purposes only*