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HUA LIEN INTERNATIONAL (HOLDING) COMPANY LIMITED

華聯國際（控股）有限公司 *

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 969)

RESUMPTION OF DUTIES OF AN INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

This announcement is made by Hua Lien International (Holding) Company Limited (the “**Company**”) pursuant to Rule 13.51(2) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the “**Listing Rules**”) on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

Reference is made to (i) the announcement of the Company dated 10 April 2025 in respect of suspension of duties as an INED as requested by Mr. Shi Zhu (“**Mr. Shi**”) with effect from 10 April 2025, and (ii) the announcement made by Pinestone Capital Limited (Stock Code: 804) (“**Pinestone**”) on 6 October 2025 in respect of the key findings of an independent investigation on the Potential Breach (the “**Investigation Findings**”). Unless otherwise defined, capitalised terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the above-mentioned announcements.

In relation to the Potential Breach that led to the suspension of Mr. Shi’s duties as an INED, the Board and the nomination committee of the Board (the “**Nomination Committee**”) (each excluding Mr. Shi) have carefully considered, among other matters, Pinestone’s public disclosures concerning the Potential Breach and the Investigation Findings, Mr. Shi’s responses to the Investigation Findings, and, in particular, the fact that Pinestone had already committed to grant the relevant loan to Capital Realm prior to Mr. Shi’s appointment as a non-executive director of Pinestone. Having taken the foregoing matters into account, the Board and the Nomination Committee are of the view that there is insufficient basis to call into question Mr. Shi’s integrity, character or suitability as a director of the Company.

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The Company has arranged for Mr. Shi to receive training from the Company's Hong Kong legal advisers to further enhance his understanding of the Listing Rules, directors' duties and responsibilities, and corporate governance requirements.

In light of the above, the Nomination Committee has recommended, and the Board has resolved, that Mr. Shi remains fit and proper to discharge his duties as an INED. Accordingly, Mr. Shi will resume his duties as an INED and his respective positions on the Board committees with effect from 9 September 2026.

By order of the Board
Hua Lien International (Holding) Company Limited
Wu Shurong
Chairman

Hong Kong, 9 September 2026

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises eight directors, of which five are executive directors, namely Mr. Wu Shurong, Ms. Huang Liping, Mr. Wang Xiang, Mr. Liu Jun, and Mr. Li Baojian, and three are independent non-executive directors, namely Mr. Shi Zhu, Mr. Ma Yiu Tim and Mr. Cheng King Yip.