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China Maple Leaf Educational Systems Limited
中國楓葉教育集團有限公司*
(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 1317)

APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND CHANGE IN COMPOSITION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

This announcement is made pursuant to Rule 13.51(2) of the Rules ("**Listing Rules**") Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("**Stock Exchange**").

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The board ("**Board**") of directors ("**Directors**" and each a "**Director**") of China Maple Leaf Educational Systems Limited ("**Company**", together with its subsidiaries and consolidated affiliated entities, the "**Group**") is pleased to announce that Ms. Guijie Fan ("**Ms. Fan**") will be appointed as an independent non-executive Director and a member of the nomination and corporate governance committee ("**Nomination Committee**") of the Board with effect from 30 November 2026.

Ms. Fan, aged 59, obtained a bachelor's degree in engineering at Harbin University of Science and Technology in July 1989. She worked at Beijing Angdao Law Offices from May 2006 to September 2012 as a lawyer. She was a partner at Beijing Yingke (Dalian) Law Offices from October 2012 to June 2014. She then joined Dalian Maple Leaf Education Group Co., Ltd, one of the consolidated affiliated entities of the Group in June 2014 and served as vice president, chief legal officer and head of the legal department until December 2018. Since January 2019, she has been a partner at Beijing Dacheng (Dalian) Law Offices, LLP.

Ms. Fan received the Support for Professional Development Award from Beijing Dacheng Law Offices in December 2022, and the Business Innovation Award, Outstanding Contribution to Business Revenue Award and Outstanding Case Award from Beijing Dacheng (Dalian) Law Offices, LLP in January 2023, January 2025 and February 2026, respectively.

Pursuant to the appointment letter entered into between the Company and Ms. Fan, she is appointed for a fixed term from 30 November 2026 to 29 November 2028, subject to re-election and retirement by rotation in accordance with the articles of association of the Company. Ms. Fan will be entitled to receive a director's fee of HK$360,000 per annum, as determined by the Board with reference to her background, roles and responsibilities, the Company's remuneration policy and the prevailing market conditions.

Save as disclosed above, as at the date of this announcement, Ms. Fan (i) has not held any other major appointments or professional qualifications, or any directorships in the last three years in any public companies the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas; (ii) does not hold any positions with the Company or other members of the Group; (iii) does not have any relationships with any Directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders (having the meaning ascribed to it in the Listing Rules) of the Company; and (iv) does not have any interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares or debentures of the Company or its associated corporations within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap.571 of the Laws of Hong Kong).

Ms. Fan has also confirmed (1) her independence as regards each of the factors referred to in Rule 3.13(1) to (8) of the Listing Rules; (2) that she has no past or present financial or other interest in the business of the Company or its subsidiaries or any connection with any core connected person (as such term is defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company; and (3) that there are no other factors that may affect her independence at the time of her appointment.

Save as disclosed above, there is no information which is discloseable nor is Ms. Fan involved in any matters required to be disclosed pursuant to any of the requirements under Rules 13.51(2)(h) to 13.51(2)(v) of the Listing Rules and there are no other matters concerning Ms. Fan that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to welcome Ms. Fan to the Board.

COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 13.92 OF THE LISTING RULES

References are made to the announcement of the Company dated 12 August 2026 in relation to, among others, the non-compliance with Rule 13.92(2) of the Listing Rules, which requires that diversity shall not be achieved with a single gender board.

Following the appointment of Ms. Fan as an independent non-executive Director and a member of the Nomination Committee with effect from 30 November 2026, the Company will comply with the abovementioned requirements of the Listing Rules and the code provision B.3.5 of the Corporate Governance Code as set out in Appendix C1 to the Listing Rules regarding gender diversity on the Nomination Committee.

By order of the Board
China Maple Leaf Educational Systems Limited
Shu Liang Sherman Jen
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, 27 November 2026

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. Shu Liang Sherman Jen, Mr. King Pak Lau and Mr. James William Beeke as executive Directors; and Mr. Peter Humphrey Owen, Mr. Ming Sang Chow and Mr. Ling Zhao as independent non-executive Directors.

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