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## 英皇證券集團有限公司\* Emperor Capital Group Limited

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 717)

# (1) PROPOSED RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS (2) PROPOSED GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE NEW SHARES AND BUY BACK SHARES AND (3) NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A notice convening the AGM of the Company to be held at 2nd Floor, Emperor Group Centre, 288 Hennessy Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong on Monday, 8 February 2021 at 11:30 a.m. or any adjournment thereof is set out from pages 15 to 19 of this circular.

Please complete and return the accompanying form of proxy with the instructions printed thereon to the Company's Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar, Tricor Secretaries Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong as soon as possible, but in any event not less than 48 hours before the time of the AGM (i.e. by Saturday, 6 February 2021 before 11:30 a.m.) or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be). Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude you from attending and voting in person at the AGM or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be) should you subsequently so wish and in such event, the from of proxy previously submitted shall be deemed to be revoked.

#### PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES FOR THE AGM

To safeguard the health and safety of Shareholders and to prevent the spreading of the coronavirus disease 2019 ("COVID-19"), the following precautionary measures will be implemented at the AGM:

- (1) Compulsory temperature screening/checks;
- (2) Compulsory health declaration;
- (3) Compulsory wearing of surgical face mask no mask will be provided at the AGM venue;
- (4) No refreshment or drinks will be served and no corporate gift will be distributed; and
- (5) A designated seat will be assigned at the AGM venue

Attendees who do not comply with the precautionary measures referred to in (1) to (3) above may be denied entry to the AGM venue, at the absolute discretion of the Company and to the extent permitted by law.

For the health and safety of Shareholders, the Company would like to encourage Shareholders to exercise their right to vote at the AGM by appointing the Chairperson of the AGM as their proxy and to return their forms of proxy by the time specified herein, instead of attending the AGM in person. Physical attendance at the AGM by a Shareholder is not necessary for the purpose of exercising voting rights.

Subject to the development of COVID-19, the Company may implement further procedures and precautionary measures at short notice and may issue further announcement as appropriate. Shareholders should check the Company's website for updates on the latest arrangement of the AGM.

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#### PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES FOR THE AGM

In light of the situation of COVID-19, the Company would like to advise the Shareholders on the following precautionary measures for the AGM:

#### (A) BEFORE THE AGM

(1) Voting by proxy in advance of the AGM: The Company does not in any way wish to diminish the opportunity available to Shareholders to exercise their rights and to vote, but is conscious of the pressing need to protect Shareholders from possible exposure to the COVID-19. For the health and safety of Shareholders, the Company would like to encourage Shareholders to exercise their right to vote at the AGM by appointing the Chairman of the AGM as their proxy instead of attending the AGM in person. Physical attendance is not necessary for the purpose of exercising Shareholder's rights. Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude Shareholders from attending and voting in person at the AGM or any adjournment thereof should they subsequently so wish.

The deadline to submit completed forms of proxy is Saturday, 6 February 2021 at 11:30 a.m. Completed forms of proxy must be returned to the Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar of the Company, Tricor Secretaries Limited at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong. The form of proxy can be downloaded from the websites of the Company (https://www.EmperorCapital.com) or the Stock Exchange.

- (2) **Appointment of proxy by non-registered Shareholders:** Non-registered Shareholders whose Shares are held through banks, brokers, custodians or the Hong Kong Securities Clearing Company Limited should consult directly with their banks or brokers or custodians (as the case may be) to assist them in the appointment of proxy.
- (3) Limiting attendance in person at the AGM venue: The Company will limit attendance in person at the AGM venue subject to strict compliance of the Prevention and Control of Disease (Prohibition on Group Gathering) Regulation at any one time in the AGM venue. The Board reserves the right to change this maximum attendance number at any time depending on the public health situation at the time of the AGM and the guidance of the HKSAR Government.

Shareholders who wish to attend the AGM in person or by proxy (whether or not the relevant forms of proxy have been completed and submitted) must register their intention and provide the following details by email to cosec@emperorgroup.com or alternatively in person to 28th Floor, Emperor Group Centre, 288 Hennessy Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong during the period from Monday, 1 February 2021 to Thursday, 4 February 2021 at 11:30 a.m.:

- 1. full name (as shown on Hong Kong Identity Card or passport);
- 2. contact phone number; and
- 3. email address.

#### PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES FOR THE AGM

The application for the admission to the AGM venue in person will be allocated on first-come-first-served basis. Duplicated registrations will be disregarded. Registered Shareholders will be notified by email and by phone (if reachable) on Friday, 5 February 2021 if such right of admission will be allocated. No notification will be sent to those Shareholders who are not successful to obtain the right of admission to the AGM venue in person.

Shareholders are reminded that physical attendance is not necessary for the purpose of exercising Shareholder's rights. The Company strongly encourages Shareholders to appoint the Chairperson of the AGM as their proxy by submitting their form of proxy as stated above as soon as possible before the above deadline. In case Shareholders wish to attend the AGM in person or by a proxy of their choice, they or their proxy of their choice can still attend the AGM in person if such Shareholders are successful in registering to attend.

(4) Questions at or prior to the AGM: The AGM proceedings will be conducted with a view to focusing on the proposed resolutions as set out in the Notice of AGM. Shareholders are advised to contact the Company by email at ir717@emperorgroup.com if they have any question about the relevant resolutions or about the Company, or any matter for communication with the Board, as early as possible before the AGM date. The Company will endeavour to reply as soon as practicable.

#### (B) AT THE AGM

- (1) Compulsory temperature screening/checks will be carried out on every attendee before entry to the AGM venue. Any person with a body temperature above the reference range quoted by the Department of Health from time to time, or exhibiting flu-like symptoms or any HKSAR Government prescribed quarantine may be denied entry into the AGM venue and be requested to leave the AGM venue, at the absolute discretion of the Company and to the extent permitted by law.
- (2) Every attendee will be required to submit a completed and signed health declaration form ("Form") prior to being admitted to the AGM venue. Please bring along the completed Form to the AGM venue to ensure smooth registration and certification processing. Any person who has given a positive confirmation to any of the questions asked in the Form may not be admitted to the AGM venue. The Form can be downloaded from the website of the Company (https://www.EmperorCapital.com).
- (3) Every attendee will be required to wear a surgical face mask throughout the AGM (including queuing for registration). Please note that no masks will be provided at the AGM venue and attendees should wear their own masks.

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- (4) Every attendee will be assigned seats in order to ensure appropriate social distancing and facilitate close contact tracing. Staff at the AGM venue will also assist in crowd control and queue management to ensure appropriate social distancing.
- (5) No refreshments, drinks or corporate gift will be served or distributed to attendees at the AGM venue.
- (6) Physical attendance by the Directors at the AGM venue will also be limited. Directors who will not be attending the AGM in person will participate through electronic means.

Attendees are in addition requested to observe and practise good personal hygiene at all times at the AGM venue. To the extent permitted by law, the Company reserves the right to deny entry into the AGM venue or require any person to leave the AGM venue so as to ensure the health and safety of the attendees at the AGM.

Due to the constantly evolving COVID-19 situation in Hong Kong, the Company may be required to change the AGM arrangements with short notice. Shareholders should check the website of the Company (https://www.EmperorCapital.com) for future announcements and updates on the AGM arrangements.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

In this circular, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions shall have the following meanings:

"AGM" the annual general meeting of the Company to be held at 2nd

Floor, Emperor Group Centre, 288 Hennessy Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong on Monday, 8 February 2021 at 11:30 a.m., or

where the context so admits, any adjournment thereof

"Board" the board of Directors of the Company

"Buy-back Mandate" a general mandate proposed to be granted to the Directors to

enable them to buy back Shares of not exceeding 10% of the total number of Shares in issue as at the date of passing the

relevant resolution at the AGM

"Buy-back Resolution" the proposed ordinary resolution as referred to in resolution

number 4(B) of the Notice of the AGM

"Bye-laws" the Bye-laws of the Company as may be amended from time

to time

"Company" Emperor Capital Group Limited, an exempted company

incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability, the Shares of

which are listed on the Stock Exchange

"Director(s)" the director(s) of the Company for the time being

"Emperor Capital Holdings" Emperor Capital Group Holdings Limited, a substantial

shareholder of the Company

"Extension Mandate" a general mandate proposed to be granted to the Directors to

the effect that the Issue Mandate will be extended to add any

Shares bought back under the Buy-back Mandate

"Group" the Company and its subsidiaries

"Hong Kong" the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's

Republic of China

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"Issue Mandate" a general mandate proposed to be granted to the Directors

to enable them to exercise all the powers of the Company to allot, issue or otherwise deal with new Shares not exceeding 20% of the total number of Shares in issue as at the date of

passing the relevant resolution at the AGM

"Latest Practicable Date" 30 December 2020, being the latest practicable date prior to

the printing of this circular for ascertaining certain information

in this circular

"Listing Rules" the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock

Exchange where is in force from time to time

"Notice of AGM" the notice dated 7 January 2021 convening the AGM as set

out from pages 15 to 19 of this circular

"SFO" the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571) of the

Laws of Hong Kong

"Share(s)" ordinary share(s) of HK\$0.01 each in the capital of the

Company

"Shareholder(s)" the holder(s) of the Share(s)

"Stock Exchange" The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited

"Takeovers Code" the Code on Takeovers and Mergers as amended from time to

time

"HK\$" Hong Kong dollars

"%" per cent



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Ms. Pearl Chan

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7 January 2021

To the Shareholders

Dear Sir or Madam,

#### INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this circular is to provide you with information regarding certain resolutions to be proposed at the AGM and to give you the Notice of AGM. Resolutions to be proposed at the AGM include, inter alia: (i) the proposed re-election of Directors who are due to retire by rotation at the AGM; and (ii) the proposed grant of each of the Issue Mandate, the Buy-back Mandate and the Extension Mandate.

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Notice of AGM is set out on pages 15 to 19 of this circular. Resolutions in respect of the re-election of Directors, the Issue Mandate, the Buy-back Mandate and the Extension Mandate will be proposed at the AGM. As at the Latest Practicable Date, to the best of the Directors' knowledge, information and belief, having made all reasonable enquiries, no Shareholder is required to abstain from voting on any resolutions to be proposed at the AGM.

<sup>\*</sup> for identification purpose only

Please draw particular attention to the precautionary measures set out on pages 1 to 3 of this circular.

In accordance with Rule 13.39(4) of the Listing Rules, all votes of Shareholders on the proposed ordinary resolutions at the AGM shall be taken by poll. An announcement will be made by the Company following the conclusion of the AGM to inform Shareholders of the results of the AGM.

#### RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

#### Retirement and re-election of Directors

In accordance with Bye-laws 87(1) and 87(2) of the Bye-laws, Ms. Daisy Yeung ("Ms. Yeung") and Ms. Wan Choi Ha ("Ms. Wan") shall retire by rotation at the AGM and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election thereat.

Details of the above Directors who offer themselves for re-election at the AGM are set out in Appendix I to this circular as required to be disclosed under the Listing Rules.

#### Recommendations of the Nomination Committee

The Nomination Committee of the Company ("NC") has reviewed the biographical details of Ms. Yeung and Ms. Wan and their meeting of nomination criteria (including but not limited to, character and integrity, professional qualifications, skills, knowledge and experience that are relevant to the Company's business and corporate strategy, time commitment to effectively discharge duties as Board member) set out in the nomination policy of the Company and considered the diversity aspects (including but not limited to gender, age, cultural and educational background, ethnicity, professional experience, skills, knowledge and length of services) set out in the diversity policy of the Company, and took the view that Ms. Yeung and Ms. Wan have been contributing to the Group effectively and are committed to their role as Directors. The NC had also assessed the independence of Ms. Wan based on her annual confirmation of independence and was satisfied with her independence with reference to the criteria as set out in Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules.

The Board accepted the recommendation by the NC for recommending the Shareholders to re-elect Ms. Yeung and Ms. Wan as Directors at the AGM. Each of them abstained from voting at the Board meeting regarding their nomination.

The Board considers that the re-election of Ms. Yeung and Ms. Wan as Directors is in the best interest of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole and recommends the Shareholders to vote for their re-election at the AGM.

#### Nomination by Shareholders

Any Shareholder who wishes to nominate a person to stand for election as a Director at the AGM must lodge with the Company at its principal place of business in Hong Kong at 24th Floor, Emperor Group Centre, 288 Hennessy Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong within the period from 19 January 2021 (Tuesday) to 26 January 2021 (Tuesday), both days inclusive (i) his/her written nomination of the candidate; (ii) written confirmation from such nominated candidate of his/her willingness to be elected as Director and consent to the publication of his/her personal data; and (iii) the biographical details of such nominated candidate as required under Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules.

#### GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE NEW SHARES AND BUY BACK SHARES

(I) General Mandates granted at last annual general meeting of the Company held on 13 February 2020 (the "2020 AGM")

At the 2020 AGM, ordinary resolutions were passed, among other things, to grant general mandates to the Directors to:

- (A) issue up to 20% of the then aggregate number of Shares in issue (i.e. a maximum of 1,348,169,144 Shares) (the "Previous Issue Mandate");
- (B) buy back up to 10% of the aggregate number of Shares in issue (i.e. a maximum of 674,084,572 Shares) (the "Previous Buy-back Mandate"); and
- (C) extend the Previous Issue Mandate by an additional number of Shares bought back by the Company pursuant to the Previous Buy-back Mandate.

No Shares have been issued nor bought back pursuant to the above mandates.

The previous mandates will lapse at the conclusion of the AGM. It is therefore proposed to seek approval from the Shareholders at the AGM to grant fresh general mandates to the Directors.

#### (II) Proposed refreshment of the general mandates at the AGM

As at the Latest Practicable Date, there were 6,740,845,724 Shares in issue. At the AGM, ordinary resolutions will be proposed to the effect that the Directors be granted:

(A) the Issue Mandate to allot, issue and deal with Shares of up to an aggregate of not exceeding 20% of the total number of issued Shares as at the date of passing such resolution (i.e. of not exceeding 1,348,169,144 Shares assuming no further Shares will be issued or bought back between the Latest Practicable Date and the AGM date);

(B) the Buy-back Mandate to buy back Shares of up to an aggregate of not exceeding 10% of the total number of issued Shares as at the date of passing such resolution; and

(C) the Extension Mandate to increase the total number of Shares which may be allotted and issued under the Issue Mandate by an additional number of Shares which may be bought back under the Buy-back Mandate.

Such proposed resolutions are set out in Resolutions 4(A), 4(B) and 4(C) in the Notice of AGM respectively.

An explanatory statement containing the particulars required by the Listing Rules to enable the Shareholders to make an informed decision on whether to vote for or against the proposed Buyback Resolution is set out in Appendix II to this circular.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Directors are of the opinion that the proposed ordinary resolutions for (a) the re-election of Directors; and (b) the granting of the Issue Mandate, the Buy-back Mandate and the Extension Mandate are in the best interests of the Company and its Shareholders as a whole. The Directors recommend the Shareholders to vote in favour of the relevant resolutions as set out in the Notice of AGM.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

Your attention is also drawn to the additional information set out in Appendix I (Details of Retiring Directors Proposed for Re-election) and Appendix II (Explanatory Statement to the Buy-back Mandate) to this circular.

By order of the Board

Emperor Capital Group Limited

Daisy Yeung

Managing Director

# DETAILS OF RETIRING DIRECTORS PROPOSED FOR RE-ELECTION

The following are the particulars of the Directors (as required by the Listing Rules) proposed to be re-elected at the AGM.

#### Ms. Daisy Yeung

Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director

Ms. Yeung, aged 55, joined the Group in January 1996. She is the Managing Director of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer of the Group. Ms. Yeung is the Chairperson of the Executive Committee as well as a member of the Remuneration Committee and Nomination Committee of the Company. She is responsible for the formulation of corporate strategy, overseeing operations and overall steering of the Company's management focusing in the areas of marketing and business development. Ms. Yeung is also a director of various subsidiaries of the Company, including Emperor Securities Limited, Emperor Futures Limited, Emperor Wealth Management Limited and Emperor Asset Management Limited, all of which she is also a responsible officer under the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO"). Moreover, she is now the Permanent Honorary President and Vice-Chairman of The Institute of Securities Dealers Limited and a General Committee member of The Chamber of Hong Kong Listed Companies. She has accumulated over 24 years of management experience in financial industry and has been active in driving the development of the local securities industry. Ms. Yeung holds a Bachelor's Degree of Science in Business Administration. She did not hold any directorship in other public companies, the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas in the last three years.

The term of service of Ms. Yeung is subject to retirement by rotation at the annual general meetings of the Company at least once every 3 years in accordance with the Bye-laws and the Listing Rules. She is entitled to receive a Director's fee of HK\$250,000 per annum which was recommended by the Remuneration Committee and determined by the Board as authorized by the Shareholders at the annual general meeting, with reference to the market rate and the duties and responsibilities undertaken by her. The amount of emoluments paid to Ms. Yeung for the financial year ended 30 September 2020 was set out in note 10 to the consolidated financial statements in the Company 2019/2020 Annual Report.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO, Ms. Yeung had deemed interest in 2,879,521,438 Shares (representing approximately 42.72% of the total issued Shares) which were indirectly held by CDM Trust & Board Services AG in trust for a private discretionary trust of which Ms. Yeung is one of the eligible beneficiaries. Ms. Yeung is the daughter of Dr. Yeung Sau Shing, Albert (founder of the said private trust) and Ms. Luk Siu Man, Semon, both are deemed substantial shareholders (within the meaning of the SFO) and controlling shareholders of the Company. In addition, as at the Latest Practicable Date, Ms. Yeung had personal interest in 18,000,000 Shares (representing approximately 0.26% of the total issued Shares) within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

# DETAILS OF RETIRING DIRECTORS PROPOSED FOR RE-ELECTION

Save as disclosed herein, Ms. Yeung does not have any relationship with any Director, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholder of the Company, nor does she have any interest in the Shares within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO as at the Latest Practicable Date.

Other than stated above, the Board is not aware of any other information that is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules or any other matters that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders in relation to the proposed re-election of Ms. Yeung.

#### Ms. Wan Choi Ha

Independent Non-Executive Director

Ms. Wan, aged 53, joined the Board in July 2015. She is the Chairperson of the Nomination Committee as well as a member of the Audit Committee and Corporate Governance Committee of the Company. Ms. Wan has been admitted as a solicitor in Hong Kong since 1993 and is now a Senior Partner of Wan and Leung, Solicitors. Ms. Wan graduated from The University of Hong Kong with a Bachelor's Degree in Laws. She did not hold any directorship in other public companies, the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas in the last three years.

The term of service of Ms. Wan is subject to retirement by rotation at least once every 3 years at the annual general meetings of the Company in accordance with the Bye-laws and the Listing Rules. She is entitled to receive a Director's fee of HK\$250,000 per annum, which was recommended by the Remuneration Committee and determined by the Board as authorized by the Shareholders at the annual general meeting, with reference to the market rate and the duties and responsibilities undertaken by her.

Ms. Wan does not have any relationship with any Director, senior management or substantial or controlling Shareholder of the Company, nor does she have any interest in the Shares within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO as at the Latest Practicable Date.

Save as disclosed above, the Board is not aware of any other information that is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules or any other matters that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders in relation to the proposed re-election of Ms. Wan.

#### 1. EXERCISE OF THE BUY-BACK MANDATE

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the total number of Shares in issue was 6,740,845,724 Shares. Subject to the passing of the Buy-back Resolution and on the basis that no further Shares are issued or bought back by the Company prior to the AGM, the Company would be allowed under the Buy-back Mandate to buy back a maximum of 674,084,572 Shares (representing 10% of the total number of Shares in issue) during the period from the date of the AGM up to:

- (i) the conclusion of next annual general meeting of the Company; or
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Bye-laws or any applicable laws to be held; or
- (iii) the revocation or variation of the Buy-back Mandate by ordinary resolution of the Shareholders in general meeting of the Company,

whichever occurs first.

#### 2. REASONS FOR THE BUY-BACK OF SHARES

The Directors believe that it is in the best interests of the Company and its Shareholders for the Directors to have a general authority from the Shareholders to enable the Company to buy back Shares in the market. Such buy-back may, depending on market conditions and funding arrangements at the time, lead to an enhancement of the net asset value and/or the earnings per Share. Buy-back of Shares will only be made when the Directors believe that such buy-back will benefit the Company and the Shareholders.

#### 3. FUNDING OF BUY-BACK

Any buy-back will only be funded out of funds of the Company legally available for the purposes in accordance with its memorandum of association and Bye-laws and the applicable laws of Bermuda. The Company will not buy back securities on the Stock Exchange for a consideration other than cash or for settlement otherwise than in accordance with the trading rules of the Stock Exchange from time to time.

There might be a material adverse impact on the working capital or gearing position of the Company (as compared with the position disclosed in its latest published audited accounts contained in the annual report of the Company for the year ended 30 September 2020) in the event that the proposed Buy-back Mandate, if so approved, were to be exercised in full at any time during the proposed buy-back period. However, the Directors do not propose to exercise the Buy-back Mandate to such extent as would, in the circumstances, have a material adverse effect on the working capital requirements of the Company or its gearing levels, which in the opinion of the Directors, are from time to time appropriate for the Company.

#### 4. SHARE PRICE

The highest and lowest prices at which the Shares traded on the Stock Exchange during each of the previous 12 months up to the Latest Practicable Date were as follows:

	Price per Share	
	Highest	Lowest
	HK\$	HK\$
2019		
December	0.195	0.175
2020		
January	0.205	0.170
February	0.177	0.163
March	0.173	0.125
April	0.160	0.136
May	0.150	0.111
June	0.161	0.112
July	0.218	0.133
August	0.166	0.139
September	0.155	0.132
October	0.138	0.120
November	0.138	0.120
December (up to and including the Latest Practicable Date)	0.136	0.120

#### 5. BUY-BACK OF SHARES MADE BY THE COMPANY

No buy-back of Shares has been made by the Company (whether on the Stock Exchange or otherwise) in the 6 months preceding the Latest Practicable Date.

#### 6. UNDERTAKING/INTENTION

The Directors have undertaken to the Stock Exchange to exercise the power of the Company to make buy-back of Shares pursuant to the proposed Buy-back Mandate in accordance with the Listing Rules and all applicable laws of Bermuda.

None of the Directors nor, to the best of their knowledge and belief having made all reasonable enquiries, any of their respective close associates (as defined in the Listing Rules), has any present intention to sell any Shares to the Company in the event that the Buy-back Mandate is approved by the Shareholders.

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT TO THE BUY-BACK MANDATE

No core connected person (as defined in Listing Rules) of the Company has notified the Company of a present intention to sell any Shares to the Company or undertaken not to do so in the event that the Buy-back Mandate is approved by the Shareholders.

#### 7. EFFECT OF TAKEOVERS CODE

If as a result of a share buy-back by the Company, a Shareholder's proportionate interest in the voting rights of the Company increases, such increase will be treated as an acquisition of voting rights for the purpose of the Takeovers Code. Accordingly, a Shareholder, or group of Shareholders acting in concert, could obtain or consolidate control of the Company and become obliged to make a mandatory offer in accordance with Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Emperor Capital Holdings held 2,879,521,438 Shares in the Company, representing approximately 42.72% of the total number of Shares in issue. In the event that the Directors exercise in full the power to buy back Shares which is proposed to be granted pursuant to the proposed Buy-back Resolution, then (assuming such shareholdings as at the Latest Practicable Date otherwise remain the same) the shareholding of Emperor Capital Holdings in the Company would be increased to approximately 47.46% of the total number of issued Shares. The Directors consider that such an increase would give rise to an obligation on the part of Emperor Capital Holdings to make a mandatory offer under Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code. However, it would not reduce the number of Shares in the hands of the public to less than the prescribed minimum percentage of 25% of the total number of issued Shares.

The Directors will exercise the power conferred by the Buy-back Mandate to buy back Shares in circumstances which they deem appropriate for the benefits of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole. The Directors have no present intention to exercise the Buy-back Mandate to the extent as would result in a requirement for Emperor Capital Holdings to make a mandatory offer under the Takeovers Code.



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#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the annual general meeting of Emperor Capital Group Limited (the "Company") will be held at 2nd Floor, Emperor Group Centre, 288 Hennessy Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong on Monday, 8 February 2021 at 11:30 a.m. for the following purposes:

- 1. To receive and adopt the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company for the year ended 30 September 2020 together with the reports of the directors and independent auditors ("Auditor") thereon.
- 2. (A) To re-elect Ms. Daisy Yeung as a director of the Company.
  - (B) To re-elect Ms. Wan Choi Ha as a director of the Company.
  - (C) To authorize the board of directors of the Company ("Board" or "Directors") to fix the Directors' remuneration.
- 3. To re-appoint Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu as Auditor and to authorize the Board to fix their remuneration.
- 4. As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions:

#### (A) "THAT

(i) subject to sub-paragraph (ii) of this resolution, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as defined in sub-paragraph (iii) of this resolution) of all the powers of the Company to allot and issue additional shares of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such powers either during or after the Relevant Period, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;

<sup>\*</sup> for identification purpose only

- (ii) the aggregate number of shares of the Company allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) by the Directors pursuant to the approval in sub-paragraph (i) of this resolution, otherwise than pursuant to a Rights Issue or the exercise of subscription or conversion rights under any warrants of the Company or any securities which are convertible into shares of the Company or any share option scheme, shall not exceed 20% of the total number of shares in issue of the Company on the date of this resolution, and this approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (iii) for the purposes of this resolution:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (a) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company; or
- (b) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Bye-laws of the Company ("Bye-laws") or any applicable laws to be held; or
- (c) the date on which the authority sets out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution in general meeting.

"Rights Issue" means an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the Directors to the shareholders of the Company on the register on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares (subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of, any recognized regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory outside Hong Kong)."

#### (B) "THAT

(i) subject to sub-paragraph (ii) of this resolution, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as defined in sub-paragraph (iii) of this resolution) of all the powers of the Company to buy back issued Shares of the Company on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") or any other stock exchange on which the shares of the Company may be listed and recognised by the Stock Exchange and the Securities and Futures Commission for this purpose, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and the requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange or of any other stock exchange as amended from time to time be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;

- (ii) the aggregate number of shares of the Company to be bought back pursuant to the approval in sub-paragraph (i) above shall not exceed 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of this resolution and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (iii) for the purposes of this resolution:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (a) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company; or
- (b) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Bye-laws or any applicable laws to be held; or
- (c) the date on which the authority sets out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution in general meeting."
- (C) "THAT conditional upon resolutions no. 4(A) and 4(B) above being passed, the aggregate number of shares of the Company which are bought back by the Company under the authority granted to the Directors as mentioned in resolution no. 4(B) above shall be added to the aggregate number of shares of the Company that may be allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted by the Directors pursuant to resolution no. 4(A) above, provided that such extended number of shares shall not exceed 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of passing resolution no. 4(B)."

By order of the Board

Emperor Capital Group Limited

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Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 7 January 2021

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#### Notes:

1. Considering the outbreak of COVID-19, certain measures will be implemented at the annual general meeting ("AGM") with a view to addressing the risk to attendees of infection, including, without limitation (i) all attendees being required to (a) undergo compulsory body temperature check; (b) submit compulsorily health declaration form; and (c) wear surgical face masks prior to admission to the AGM venue (no mask will be provided at the AGM venue) and throughout the AGM; (ii) no corporate gifts being distributed; (iii) no refreshments or drinks being provided; and (iv) all attendees will be assigned designated seat at the AGM venue in order to ensure approximate social distancing and facilitate contact tracing. The Company reminds attendees that they should carefully consider the risks of attending the AGM, taking into account their own personal circumstances.

The Company will keep the evolving COVID-19 situation under review and may change measures, where appropriate. Shareholders should check the website of the Company (https://www.EmperorCapital.com) for future announcements and updates on the AGM arrangements.

- 2. Pursuant to Rule 13.39(4) of the Listing Rules, all resolutions set out in this notice will be decided by poll at the AGM. Where the chairperson/chairman in good faith, decides to allow a resolution which relates purely to a procedural or administrative matter to be voted, such resolution will be decided by a show of hands.
- 3. A member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the AGM convened by the above notice is entitled to appoint one or more proxies (if he/she is a holder of more than on share) to attend and vote in his/her stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- 4. In order to be valid, the form of proxy must be in writing under the hand of the appointor or his/her attorney duly authorised in writing, or if the appointor is a corporation, either under its common seal, or under the hand of an officer or attorney duly authorised on the behalf, and must be deposited at the Company's Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar, Tricor Secretaries Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong ("Branch Share Registrar") together with a power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of that power of attorney, not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the AGM or adjourned meeting.
- 5. Where there are joint holders of any share, any one of such joint holder may vote, either in person or by proxy in respect of such share as if he/she were solely entitled thereto, but if more than one of such joint holders be present at the AGM, the vote of the senior who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy, 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 in respect of the joint holding of such share.
- 6. Completion and delivery of the form of proxy will not preclude a member from attending and voting in person at the AGM and in such event, the from of proxy previously submitted shall be deemed to be revoked.

- 7. In order to qualify for the right to attend and vote at the AGM, all relevant share certificates and properly completed transfer forms must be lodged for registration with the Branch Share Registrar, Tricor Secretaries Limited at the above address before 4:30 p.m. on 2 February 2021 (Tuesday).
- 8. The translation into Chinese language of this notice is for reference only. In case of any inconsistency, the English version shall prevail.

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