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## **ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION**

(As adopted by Special Resolution passed on 17th May, 1996, amended by Special Resolutions passed on 28th May, 2004 and further amended by Special Resolution passed on 28th May, 2014)

## OF

# SHANGHAI INDUSTRIAL HOLDINGS LIMITED 上海實業控股有限公司

(Name changed on 5th March, 1996)

Incorporated the 9th day of January, 1996.

## [COPY]

## CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION 公司註冊證書

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I hereby certify that 本人茲證明

# AKONIC LIMITED 星禧有限公司

is this day incorporated in Hong Kong under the Companies Ordinance, and 於本日在香港依據公司條例註冊成為 that this company is limited. 有限公司。

Given under my hand this Ninth day of January One Thousand Nine Hundred 簽署於 - 九九 六 年 - 月九 日。 and Ninety Six.

> (Sd.) K. Lee MISS K. LEE

for Registrar of Companies

Hong Kong 香港公司註冊處處長 (公司註冊主任李潔儀代行) *No*. 535594 編號

#### [COPY]

## COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 32) 香港法例第 32 章 公司條例 CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION ON CHANGE OF NAME 公司更改名稱 註冊證書

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I hereby certify that 本人謹此證明

# AKONIC LIMITED 星禧有限公司

having by special resolution changed its name, is now incorporated under 經通過特別決議,已將其名稱更改,該公司的註冊名

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### SHANGHAI INDUSTRIAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

上海實業控股有限公司

Issued by the undersigned on 5 March 1996. 本 證 書 於 一 九 九 六 年 三 月 五 日 簽 發 。

> (Sd.) M. Lee MRS. M. LEE

for Registrar of Companies

Hong Kong 香港公司註冊處處長 (公司註冊主任李余潔清代行)

## THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 622)

Company Limited by Shares

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## SHANGHAI INDUSTRIAL HOLDINGS LIMITED 上海實業控股有限公司

1A. The name of the Company is SHANGHAI INDUSTRIAL HOLDINGS LIMITED 上海實業 Company name. 控股有限公司.

1B. The registered office of the Company will be situate in Hong Kong.

- 1C. The liability of the Members is limited.
- 1D. The maximum number of shares which the Company may issue is 2,000,000,000 shares.

#### **OBJECTS**

- 1E. The objects for which the Company is established are:-
  - (1) To carry on the business of a holding company in all its branches and to co-ordinate the policy and administration of any subsidiary company or companies or of any group of companies of which the Company or any subsidiary company is a member or which are in any manner controlled by the Company.
  - (2) To carry on the business as traders, designers, sellers, of manufacturers, importers and exporters of and dealers, distributers and to act as agent in all kinds of medicine, drugs, chemicals, acids, salts, alkalis, antibiotics, pharmaceutical, medicinal and chemical preparations, articles and compounds (whether of animal, vegetable or mineral origin), paints, pigments, oils, varnishes, resins, synthetic and man-made materials and fabrics of whatsoever nature and products of all kinds, and all of any materials and things used for or in connection with the manufacture creation or design of such products and all or any articles and things from time to time usually made or sold as associated with or auxiliary to the business of such manufacturers and dealers as aforesaid, or for which the machinery, plant, and staff of such manufacturers and dealers as aforesaid may be conveniently used.

Members' liability.

Office.

Maximum number of shares.

Powers of the Company.

- (3) To carry on all or any of the businesses of manufacturers, sellers and distributors of and dealers in all kinds of herbs, perfumes, hair dressings, dyes, cosmetics, skin preparations, soaps, oils and accessories of every description, and of and in proprietary and industrial preparations, compounds and articles of all kinds; and of chemists, druggists and chemical manufacturers, merchants, and dealers; and to manufacture, make up, prepare, buy, sell and deal in all articles, substances and things usable in or for making up, preparing or packing any of the products in which the company is authorised to deal, or which may be required by persons dealing with the company.
- (4) To adopt such means of publicising the products of the company as may seem expedient, and in particular by advertising in any media, or by the publication of leaflets and catalogues, or by the granting of concessions, prizes, rewards and goods free or at reduced prices, or in any other manner.
- (5) To carry on the businesses of stationers, printers, lithographers, stereotypers, electrotypers, photographic printers, photo-lithographers, engravers, envelope manufacturers, bookbinders, account book manufacturers, machine rulers, numerical printers, paper makers, paper bag and account book makers, card board manufacturers, railway or tramway ticket manufacturers, dealers in parchment, advertising agents, designers, ink manufacturers, book sellers, paper manufacturers, and dealers in the materials used in the manufacture of paper, and dealers in or manufacturers of any other articles or things of a character similar or analogous to the foregoing, or any of them or connected therewith.
- (6) To carry on the businesses of tobacconists, cigar, cigarette, snuff and nicotine substitute or smoking prevention or deterrent product manufacturers and merchants, and buyers, sellers, manufacturers, importers, exporters, and dealers of or in tobacco, cigars, cigarettes, snuff, nicotine substitute products, smoking prevention or deterrent products, pipes, matches, lighters, lighter fuel and other smokers' requisites, walking sticks, umbrellas, hair and other brushes, combs, razors, scissors, soap, sponges and other toilet requisites, newspapers, magazines, books, confectionery and snack products and fancy goods and articles of every description.
- (7) To act as consultants, technical advisers, service agents, sales agents and replacement agents or any of the same in connection with the business aforesaid and as marketers, and sellers and as instructors of personnel in any manner in connection with all or any of the said businesses.
- (8) To establish, provide and conduct or otherwise subsidize research laboratories and experimental workshops for pharmaceutical, scientific and technical research and experiments; to undertake and carry on pharmaceutical, scientific and technical research experiments and tests of all kinds; to promote studies and researches pharmaceutical, scientific and technical investigations and inventions by providing, subsidizing, endowing or assisting laboratories, workshops, libraries, meeting and syndicates, chambers of commerce and trade conferences, and by providing or contributing to the remuneration of pharmaceutical, scientific or technical professors or teachers and by providing or contributing to the remuneration of pharmaceutical, scientific or technical, scientific or technical professors or teachers and by providing or contributing to the remuneration of pharmaceutical, scientific or technical, scientific, scienti

- (9) To acquire from any person, firm or body corporate or unincorporated, whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere in the world, technical information, know-how, processes, engineering and operating, data, plans, layouts and blue-prints useful for any of the businesses of the Company and to acquire any grant or licence and other rights and benefits in the foregoing matters and things.
- (10) To invent, develop, improve, acquire, use, operate, dispose of and otherwise deal in and turn to account any engineering process or idea or any equipment, machinery or plant in connection therewith.
- (11) To carry on the business of manufacturers of toys of all kinds and to buy, sell, import or export of toys and their related materials, goods, products, articles, machinery and equipment.
- (12) To carry on all or any of the businesses of general merchants, traders, commission agents, importers, exporters, shippers, and ship-owners, refrigerators, charterers, forwarding agents, sales agents and sub-agents for manufacturers, agents, and sub-agents for carriers, brokers and agents for brokers, purchasing agents, wharfingers, warehousemen, furnishers, tourist and travel agents, auctioneers, appraisers, valuers, surveyors, del credere agents, personal and promotional representatives, factors, shopkeepers, antique dealers, stevedores, packers, storers, fishermen and trawlers, saddlers, builders, building, engineering and general contractors, metallurgists, and undertakers of all kinds of works, enterprises of projects whatsoever.
- (13) To import, export, buy, prepare, treat, manufacture, render marketable, sell, exchange, barter, pledge, charge, make advances on and otherwise deal in or turn to account produce, goods, materials, commodities, and merchandise generally in their prepared, manufactured or raw state and to undertake, carry on and execute all kinds of financial, commercial, trading, engineering and other manufacturing operations and all businesses wholesale or retail.
- (14) To acquire by purchase, lease, exchange or otherwise land, buildings and hereditaments of any tenure or description and any estate or interest therein and any rights over or connected with land and to develop and to sell, lease, exchange and otherwise deal with the same.
- (15) To carry on all or any of the businesses usually carried on by land companies, land investment companies, land mortgage companies, and building estate companies in all their several branches.
- (16) To purchase, take on lease, or in exchange, rent, hire, take options over or otherwise acquire land (with or without buildings thereon) in Hong Kong and land (with or without buildings thereon) of any tenure outside Hong Kong and any estate or interest in, and any rights connected with any such lands.
- (17) To develop and turn to account any land acquired by or in which the Company is interested, and in particular by laying out and preparing the same for building purposes, constructing, altering, pulling down, decorating, maintaining, furnishing, fitting up, and improving buildings, and by planting, paving, draining, farming, cultivating, letting on building lease or building agreement and by advancing money to and entering into contracts and arrangement of all kinds with builders, tenants and others.

- (18) To manage any buildings, whether belonging to the Company or not, or let the same or any part thereof for any period and at such rent and on such conditions as the company shall think fit; to collect the rent and income and to supply to tenants and occupiers and other light, heat, air-conditioning, refreshments, attendants, messengers, waiting rooms, reading rooms, lavatories, laundry facilities, electric conveniences, garages, recreation facilities and other advantages which from time to time the Company shall consider desirable, or to provide for such management, letting and advantages, as aforesaid by employing any person, firm or company to carry out or to supply the same on such terms as the Company may think fit.
- (19) To carry on business as financiers, capitalists, financial agents, underwriters (but not in respect of life, marine or fire insurance), concessionaries, brokers and merchants and to undertake and carry on and execute all kinds of financial, commercial, trading and other operations and to carry on all or any of the activities of bankers, stockbrokers and dealers in unit trusts, mutual funds and investments of all kinds.
- (20) To carry on the business of an investment company and for that purpose to acquire and hold, either in the name of the Company or in that of any nominee, shares, stock, bonds, debentures, debenture stock, notes, obligations and securities issued or guaranteed by any person or company, and to acquire and hold as aforesaid property of any other kind.
- (21) To carry on the business of an investment trust company or any part of parts of the business usually carried on by such company.
- (22) To carry on business as proprietors and/or managers of hotels, motels, inns, lodging houses, apartment houses, restaurants, refreshment and tea rooms, cafes and milk and snack bars, night-clubs and clubs of all kinds, tavern, beer-house and lodging-house keepers, licensed victuallers, wine, beer and spirit merchants, brewers, maltsters, distillers, importers and manufacturers of aerated, mineral and artificial waters and other drinks, and as caterers and contractors in all their respective branches and as managers and/or proprietors of theatres, cinemas, dance-halls, concert halls, stadiums, billiard rooms, bowling centres and all places of entertainment and radio and television stations and studios.
- (23) To carry on all or any of the businesses whether together or separately of proprietors, promoters, producers, organizers, and managers of all kinds of public entertainments, sports, recreation competitions, and amusements whether indoor or outdoor, and in connection therewith to purchase, lease, hire, construct, provide, operate, equip, furnish and fit out any necessary or convenient land, buildings, facilities, structures, apparatus, and equipment.
- (24) To carry on the business of manufacturers and exporters of and dealers in electrical and electronic appliance, components, equipment, instruments, and products of all kinds including computers, and all or any materials and things used for or in connection with the manufacture of such products and all or any articles and things from time to time usually made or sold as associated with or auxiliary to the business of such manufacturers and dealers as aforesaid; and to act as consultants, technical advisers, service agents, sales agents and replacement agents or any of the same in connection with the business aforesaid and as marketers, and sellers of electrical and electronic technology and as instructors of personnel in any manner in connection with all or any of the said businesses.

- (25) To carry on the business of manufacturers, producers, refiners, developers, and dealers in all kinds of materials, chemicals, substances, commodities and products whether synthetic, natural, or artificial, including in particular but without limitation to the foregoing, plastics, resins, textiles, fabrics, fibres, feather goods, leather, hair, rubber, balata and goods and articles made from the same and compounds, intermediates, derivatives, and by-products, thereof whether for wearing, attire, or personal or household use or ornament.
- (26) To carry on business as timber merchants, sawmill proprietors, coopers, cask makers, joiners, carpenters and cabinet makers, and to buy, sell, prepare for market, import, export, and deal in timber and wood of all kinds, and to manufacture and deal in articles of all kinds in the manufacture of which timber or wood is used.
- (27) To carry on business as drapers and hosiers, fashion artists, dressagents, tailors, dressmakers, clothiers, milliners, spinners, weavers, hatters, glovers, boot and shoe manufacturers, embroiderers, hemstitchers, plaiters, pleaters, knitters, lacemakers, costumiers, furriers, pelmet makers, stencillers, painters, dyers, cleaners, washers, renovators, men's, women's and children's and school outfitters, naval, military, colonial, tropical and general outfitters, engineers, electricians, wood and metal workers, tanners, rope manufacturers, ironmongers, and hardware dealers, goldsmiths, silversmiths, watchmakers, and jewellers, fancy goods dealers, depository and repository proprietors, proprietors of transportation services for passengers, animals, mails, and goods, by air, sea, inland waterways and land, upholsterers, furniture dealers, money changers and any other business which may seem to the Company capable of being carried on in connection with the above and calculated directly or indirectly to enhance the value or render profitable any of the Company's property or rights.
- (28) To carry on business as general chemists and druggists and to buy, sell, import, export, refine, prepare and otherwise deal in all kinds of pharmaceutical, medicinal, and chemical preparations, articles and compounds (whether of animal, vegetable or mineral origin), toilet requisites, cosmetics, paints, pigments, oils and oleaginous and saponaceous substances, perfumes and all kinds of unguents and ingredients.
- (29) To establish, maintain, and operate sea, air, and land transport enterprises (public and private) and all ancillary services and, for these purposes or as independent undertakings, to purchase, take in exchange, charter, hire, build, construct, own, work, manage, and otherwise trade with any kind of ship, vessel, aircraft, flying machine, vehicle, cycle, coach, wagon, or carriage (however powered), with all necessary and convenient equipment, engines, tackle, gear, furniture, fittings, and stores or any shares or interests in ships, vessels, aircraft, flying machines, motor and other vehicles, cycle, carriages, coaches or wagons, including shares, stocks, or securities of companies possessed of or interested in any of the above modes of transport, and to maintain, repair, fit out, refit, improve, insure, alter, sell, exchange or let out on hire or hire purchase, or otherwise deal with and dispose of any ship, vessel, aircraft, flying machine, vehicle, cycle, carriage, coach, wagon, shares, stock, and securities, or any of the engines, tackle, gear, furniture, equipment, and stores of the Company.
- (30) To establish and carry on in Hong Kong and any other countries schools at or by means of which students in any manner whether by post, personal attendance or otherwise may obtain education and instruction and particularly in or with regard to but without being limited to architecture, architectural, mechanical, geometrical and other drawing and

designing, surveying, mapping, book-keeping, shorthand, speed-reading, type-writing and other secretarial training, civil, mechanical, electrical, marine and other engineering, building and other constructional work, heating and ventilation, electronics, micro-electronics, biotechnology, computer science and technology, chemistry, mining, metallurgy, geology, commerce, hotel and restaurant management and services, spinning, weaving and sign-writing and painting, agriculture, horticulture, dairy and other farming, and stock and other breeding, forestry, professions ancillary to medicine, law, languages, mathematics, seamanship, navigation, geography and history, music, arts, elocution, journalism, games, sports, recreations, exercises and pastimes, economics, commerce, industry, and all other subjects whatsoever that may be included in a commercial, technical, scientific, classical or academic education, or may be conducive to knowledge of or skill in any trade, pursuit or calling and to provide for the giving and holding of lectures, scholarships, exhibitions classes and meetings for the promotion or advancement of education.

- (31) To provide a school or schools, lecture, class or examination room or rooms, office or offices, board, lodging and attendance and all other necessities and conveniences for or to students and for or to teachers, lecturers, clerks, employees and officers employed temporarily or otherwise by the Company, and to afford them facilities for study, research, cultivation, teaching culture, and performance of the tasks and duties allotted to them respectively.
- (32) To carry on all or any of the businesses of booksellers, book manufacturers, bookbinders, printers, publishers and proprietors of newspapers, magazines, books, periodicals, tickets, programmes, brochures, promotional literature and other publications whatsoever of all description, machine, letterpress and copperplate printers, rollform and automatic printers, colour printers, lithographers, type founders, stereotypers, electrotypers, photographic printers, engravers, diesinkers, designers, draughtsmen, newsagents, pressagents, journalists, literary agents, stationers, manufacturers of and dealers in engravings, prints, pictures, and drawings, advertising agents and contractors, artists, sculptors, designers, decorators, illustrators, photographers and dealers in photographic supplies and equipment of all kinds, film makers, producers and distributors, publicity agents, display specialists and any other business which may seem to the Company capable of being carried on in connection with the above.
- (33) To acquire, sell, own, lease, let out to hire, administer, manage, control, operate, construct, repair, alter, equip, furnish, fit out, decorate, improve and otherwise deal in works, buildings, and conveniences of all kinds which expression without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing shall include railways, tramways, docks, harbours, piers, wharves, canals, reservoirs, embankments, dams, irrigations, reclamations, sewage, drainage and sanitary works, water, gas, oil, motor, electrical, telephonic, telegraphic and power supply works.
- (34) To buy, sell, manufacture, construct, repair, alter, convert, refit, salve, raise, fit out, rig out, scrap, let on hire and otherwise deal in timber, iron, steel, metal, glass, minerals, ores, machinery, rolling-stock, plant, equipment, utensils, instruments, implements, tools, apparatus, appliances, materials, fuels, and products and commodities of all kinds and of whatever substance and for any purpose whatsoever.
- (35) To carry on the trade or business of steel makers, steel converters, ironmasters, colliery proprietors, coke manufacturers, miners, smelters, millwrights, carpenters, joiners, boiler makers, plumbers, brass founders, building material suppliers and manufacturers,

tinplate manufacturers and iron founders in all their respective branches, and to purchase, take on lease, or otherwise acquire any mines, wells, quarries, and metalliferous land and any interests therein and to explore, work, exercise, develop and otherwise turn to account the same; to crush, win, get, quarry, smelt, calcine, refine, dress, amalgamate, manipulate, and otherwise process and prepare for market ores, metals, precious stones, and mineral substances of all kinds, and to carry on any other metallurgical operations which may seem conducive to the Company's objects.

- (36) To carry on the business of producers, pumpers, refiners, storers, suppliers, transporters, distributors and retailers of, and dealers in, petroleum, petroleum products and by-products, other mineral oils and by-products and liquid and gaseous hydro-carbons and by-products, and to search for, inspect, examine, prospect and explore, work, take on lease, purchase, or otherwise acquire, or obtain rights or interests in lands, sea-beds and other places in any part of the world which may seem to the Company capable or possibly capable of affording a supply of mineral oil or gas, and to establish, utilise and turn to account wells, pumping stations, pipe-lines and all such other works and conveniences as are deemed desirable.
- (37) To act as business and tax consultants and advisers and to employ experts to investigate and examine into the condition, prospects, value, character and circumstances of any business concerns and undertakings, and generally of any assets, property, or rights.
- (38) To act as directors, accountants, secretaries and registrars of companies incorporated by law or societies or organisations (whether incorporated or not).
- (39) To hold in trust as trustees or as nominees of any person or persons, company, corporation, or any charitable or other institution in any part of the world, whether incorporated or not, and to manage, deal with and turn to account, any real and personal property of any kind.
- (40) To act as nominees, trustees or agents for the receiving, payment, loan, repayment, transmission, collection and investment of money, and for the purchase, sale, improvement, development and management of any real or personal property, including business concerns and undertakings, both in Hong Kong and abroad.
- (41) To vest any real or personal property, rights or interest acquired by or belonging to the Company in any person or company on behalf of or for the benefit of the Company, and with or without any declared trust in favour of the Company.
- (42) To take, or otherwise acquire, and hold shares, debentures, or other securities of any other company.
- (43) To invest and deal with the money of the Company not immediately required in such manner as may from time to time be thought fit.
- (44) To borrow or raise or secure the payment of money in such manner as the Company may think fit and to secure the same or the repayment or performance of any debt, liability, contract, guarantee or other engagement incurred or to be entered into by the Company in any way and in particular by the issue of debentures perpetual or otherwise, charged upon all or any of the Company's property (both present and future), including its uncalled capital; and to purchase, redeem, or pay off any such securities.

- (45) To stand surety for or to guarantee, support or secure the performance of all or any of the obligations of any person, firm or company whether jointly with any other person, firm or company and/or severally and whether by personal covenant or by mortgage, charge or lien upon the whole or any part of the undertaking, property and assets of the Company, both present and future, including its uncalled capital or by both such methods; and in particular but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, to guarantee, support or secure whether jointly with any other person, firm or company and/or severally and whether by personal covenant or by any such mortgage, charge or lien or by both such methods the performance of all or any of the obligations (including the repayment or payment of the principal and premium of and interest on any securities) of any company which is for the time being the Company's holding company (as such term is defined and used in the Companies Ordinance) or another subsidiary (as defined by the Companies Ordinance) of any such holding company.
- (46) To enter into any arrangements with any Government or authority, supreme, municipal, local, or otherwise, that may seem conducive to the Company's objects, or any of them; and to obtain from any such Government or authority any rights, privileges, and concessions which the Company may think it desirable to obtain; and to carry out, exercise, and comply with any such arrangements, rights, privileges, and concessions.
- (47) To apply for, secure, acquire by grant, legislative enactment, assignment, transfer, purchase, or otherwise, and to exercise, carry out, and enjoy any charter, licence, power, authority, franchise, concession, right, or privilege, which any Government or authority or any corporation or other public body may be empowered to grant; and to pay for, aid in, and contribute towards carrying the same into effect; and to appropriate any of the Company's shares, debentures, or other securities and assets to defray the necessary costs, charges, and expenses thereof.
- (48) To apply to any Tribunal in Hong Kong for any purpose and in particular for an order excluding any premises of the Company or premises which the Company is interested in from the further application of Part I of the Landlord and Tenant (Consolidation) Ordinance, to pay compensation to the tenants, sub-tenants or occupiers of such premises, and to demolish and rebuild the same.
- (49) To appoint sales agents to sell any of the products of the Company and any goods, foods, stores, chattels and things for which the Company is agent or in any other way whatsoever interested or concerned in any part of the world.
- (50) To provide or procure the provision by others of every and any service, need, want or requirement of any business nature required by any person, firm or company in or in connection with any business carried on by them.
- (51) To insure with any company or person against losses, damages, risks and liabilities of all kinds which may affect the Company and to act as agents and brokers for placing insurance risks of all kinds in all its branches.
- (52) To acquire and undertake the whole or any part of the business, property, and liabilities of any person or company carrying on any business which the Company is authorised to carry on, or possessed of property suitable for the purposes of the Company.
- (53) To amalgamate or enter into partnership or into any arrangement for sharing of profits, union of interest, co-operation, joint adventure, reciprocal concession, or otherwise, with

any person or company carrying on or engaged in or about to carry on or engage in any business or transaction which the Company is authorised to carry on or engage in, or any business or transaction capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectly to benefit the Company.

- (54) To promote any other company or companies for the purpose of acquiring or taking over all or any of the property, rights, and liabilities of the Company, or for any other purpose which may seem directly or indirectly calculated to benefit the Company.
- (55) To procure the Company to be registered or recognized in any country or place outside Hong Kong,
- (56) To apply for, purchase, or otherwise acquire any patents, patent rights, copyrights, trade marks, formulas, licences, concessions, and the like, conferring any exclusive or non-exclusive or limited right to use, or any secret or other information as to, any invention which may seem capable of being used for any of the purposes of the Company, or the acquisition of which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to benefit the Company; and to use, exercise, develop, or grant licences in respect of, or otherwise turn to account, the property, rights, or information so acquired.
- (57) To purchase, take on lease or in exchange, hire, and otherwise acquire any real and personal property and any rights or privileges which the Company may think necessary or convenient for the purposes of its business, and in particular any land, buildings, easements, machinery, plant, and stock in trade.
- (58) To purchase, transfer, assign, sell, exchange, surrender, lease, mortgage, charge, convert, or otherwise deal in all the property of the Company or any part thereof or its rights, interests and privileges of all kinds and in particular mortgages, loans, product, stock-in-trade, plant, machinery, concessions, options, contracts, patents, inventions, annuities, licences, formulas, copyrights, book debts, claims and choses in action of all kinds.
- (59) To construct, improve, maintain, develop, work, manage, carry out, or control any buildings, works, factories, mills, roads, ways, tramways, railways, branches or sidings, bridges, reservoirs, watercourses, wharves, warehouses, electric works, shops, stores, and other works and conveniences which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to advance the Company's interests; and to contribute to, subsidize, or otherwise assist or take part in the construction, improvement, maintenance, development, working management, carrying out, or control thereof.
- (60) To lend and advance money or give credit to any person, firm or company; to guarantee, and give guarantees or indemnities for the payment of money or the performance of contracts or obligations by any person or company; to secure or undertake in any way the repayment of moneys lent or advanced to or the liabilities incurred by any person or company; and otherwise to assist any person or company.
- (61) To give guarantees or indemnities (except fire and marine insurance indemnities) or provide security for any purpose whatsoever, with or without the Company's receiving any consideration or advantage therefor, and whether jointly or jointly and severally with any other person, firm or company, and in particular (without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing) to guarantee, give indemnities for, support or secure, with or without consideration, whether by personal obligation or by mortgaging or charging all

or any part of the undertaking, property and assets (present and future) and uncalled capital of the Company or by both such methods or in any other manner, the performance of any contract, obligations or commitments of, and the repayment or payment of the principal amounts of and any premiums, interest, dividends and other moneys payable on or in respect of any securities or liabilities of any person, firm or company including (without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing) any company which is for the time being a subsidiary or a holding company of the Company or another subsidiary of a holding company of the Company or otherwise associated with the Company.

- (62) To remunerate any person or company for services rendered, or to be rendered, in placing or assisting to place or guaranteeing the placing of any of the shares in the Company's capital or any debentures, or other securities of the Company, or in or about the organization, formation, or promotion of the Company or the conduct of its business.
- (63) To establish and give effect to any scheme or arrangement for sharing profits with, or giving bonuses to, employees, whether involving the issue of shares in the Company or not, and generally to remunerate any person for services rendered wholly or partly by shares which may be issued as fully or partly paid up.
- (64) To establish and support or aid in the establishment and support of associations, institutions, funds, trusts, and conveniences calculated to benefit employees or directors or past employees or directors of the Company or of its predecessors in business, or the dependants or connexions of any such persons; and to grant pensions and allowances; and to make payments towards insurance; and to subscribe or guarantee money for charitable or benevolent objects, or for any exhibition, or for any public, general, or useful object.
- (65) To draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute, and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange, bills of lading, and other negotiable or transferable instruments.
- (66) To sell or dispose of the undertaking of the company or any part thereof for such consideration as the company may think fit, and in particular for shares, debentures, or securities of any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of the Company.
- (67) To adopt such means of making known and advertising the business and products of the Company as may seem expedient.
- (68) To apply for, promote, and obtain any statute, order, regulation, or other authorization or enactment which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to benefit the Company; and to oppose any bills, proceedings, or applications which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to prejudice the Company's interests.
- (69) To sell, improve, manage, develop, exchange, lease, dispose of, turn to account, or otherwise deal with all or any part of the property and rights of the Company.
- (70) To issue and allot fully or partly paid shares in the capital of the Company in payment or part payment of any real or personal property purchased or otherwise acquired by the Company or any services rendered to the Company.

- (71) To distribute any of the property of the Company among the members in kind or otherwise but so that no distribution amounting to a reduction of capital shall be made without the sanction required by law.
- (72) To take or hold mortgages, liens, and charges to secure payment of the purchase price, or any unpaid balance of the purchase price, of any part of the Company's property of whatsoever kind sold by the Company, or any money due to the Company from purchasers and others.
- (73) To receive and hold for its own use, benefit on behalf or in trust or otherwise moneys and other property and estates, real, personal, and mixed, of whatever kind and nature and the same to invest, reinvest, manage, settle, control, sell and dispose of in any manner and to collect, invest, reinvest, manage, adjust, and in any manner to dispose of the income, profits, and interest arising therefrom upon such terms as may be agreed upon between the Company and the persons contracting with it.
- (74) To carry out all or any of the objects of the company and do all or any of the above things in any part of the world and either as principal, agent, contractor, or trustee, or otherwise, and by or through subsidiary allied or associated companies, trustees or agents or otherwise, and either alone or in conjunction with others.
- (75) To carry on business and maintain branches abroad in any part of the world for all or any of the purposes herein set forth.
- (76) To carry on any other business which may seem to the Company capable of being conveniently carried on in connection with its business or calculated directly or indirectly to enhance the value of or render profitable any of the Company's property or rights.
- (77) To do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objects and the exercise of the powers of the Company.

It is hereby declared that:-

- (i) where the context so admits the word "company" in this clause shall be deemed to include any government, or any statutory, municipal or public body, or any body corporate, or any incorporated association (including a partnership), or any other body of persons whether or not incorporated and whether domiciled in Hong Kong or elsewhere; and
- (ii) the objects specified in each of the paragraphs of this clause shall be regarded as independent objects, and accordingly shall in no wise be limited or restricted (except where otherwise expressed in such paragraphs) by reference to or inference from the terms of any other paragraph, but may be carried out in as full and ample manner and construed in as wide a sense as if each of the said paragraphs defined the objects of a separate and distinct company.

#### TABLE A AND MODEL ARTICLES

1. The regulations contained in (a) Table A in the First Schedule to the predecessor of the Companies Ordinance and (b) the Model Articles in Schedule 1 of the Companies (Model Articles) Notice (Chapter 622H) shall not apply to the Company.

Other regulations excluded.

## **INTERPRETATION**

2.	The marginal notes to these Articles shall not be deemed to be part of these Articles and shall not affect their interpretation and in the interpretation of these Articles, unless there be something in the subject or context inconsistent therewith:-	Interpretation.
	"these Articles" or "these presents" shall mean these Articles of Association in their present form and all supplementary, amended or substituted articles for the time being in force;	these Articles. these presents.
	"associate" shall have the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules;	associate.
	"Auditors" shall mean the persons for the time being performing the duties of that office;	Auditors.
	"the Board" or "the Directors" shall mean the Directors from time to time of the Company or (as the context may require) the majority of Directors present and voting at a meeting of the Directors;	the Board. the Director.
	"call" shall include any instalment of a call;	call.
	"capital" shall mean the share capital from time to time of the Company;	capital.
	"the Chairman" shall mean the Chairman presiding at any meeting of members or of the Board;	the Chairman.
	"clearing house" a recognised clearing house within the meaning of Section 1 of Part 1 of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) or a clearing house recognised by the laws of the jurisdiction in which the shares of the Company, are listed or quoted on a stock exchange in such jurisdiction;	clearing house.
	"the Company" or "this Company" shall mean the abovenamed Company;	the Company.
	"the Companies Ordinance" shall mean the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 622 of the Laws of Hong Kong) and any amendments thereto or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force and includes every other ordinance incorporated therewith or substituted therefor and in the case of any such substitution the references in these Articles to the provisions of the Companies Ordinance shall be read as references to the provisions substituted therefor in the new Companies Ordinance;	the Companies Ordinance.
	"dividend" shall include scrip dividends, distributions in specie or in kind, capital distributions and capitalisation issues, if not inconsistent with the subject or context;	dividend.
	"dollars" shall mean dollars in the lawful currency of Hong Kong;	dollars.
	"electronic communication" shall mean a communication sent by electronic transmission in any form through any medium, cable and telex message	electronic communication.
	"Entitled Person" shall mean an "entitled person" as defined under the Companies Ordinance;	Entitled Person.
	"the Listing Rules" shall mean the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and any amendments thereto for the time being in force;	the Listing Rules.

"month" shall mean a calendar month;

newspaper. "newspaper" shall mean a newspaper published daily and circulating generally in Hong Kong and specified in the list of newspapers issued and published in the Gazette for the purposes of Section 203 of the Companies Ordinance by the Chief Secretary for Administration;

"the register" shall mean the register of members and includes any branch register to be kept the register. pursuant to the provisions of the Companies Ordinance;

reporting "reporting documents" shall mean the "reporting documents" as defined under the Companies documents Ordinance;

seal. "seal" shall mean the common seal from time to time of the Company and includes, unless the context otherwise requires, any official seal that the Company may have as permitted by these Articles and the Companies Ordinance;

Secretary "Secretary" shall mean the person or corporation for the time being performing the duties of that office;

"share" shall mean share in the capital of the Company;

shareholders. "shareholders" or "members" shall mean the duly registered holders from time to time of the members shares in the capital of the Company;

summary "summary financial report" shall mean the "summary financial report" as defined under the financial report Companies Ordinance;

"writing" and "printing" shall mean written or printed or printed by lithography or printed by printing. photography or typewritten or produced by any other modes of representing words or figures in a visible form or, to the extent permitted by, and in accordance with the Companies Ordinance and other applicable laws, rules and regulations, any visible substitute for writing (including an electronic communication), or partly in one visible form and partly in another visible form;

singular and words denoting the singular shall include the plural and words denoting the plural shall include plural the singular;

words importing any gender shall include every gender; and

words importing person shall include partnerships, firms, companies and corporations.

Subject as aforesaid, any words or expressions defined in the Companies Ordinance (except any statutory modification thereof not in force when these Articles become binding on the Company) shall, if not inconsistent with the subject and/or context, bear the same meaning in these Articles, save that "company" shall where the context permits include any company incorporated in Hong Kong or elsewhere.

References to any Articles by number are to the particular Article of these Articles.

References to a document being executed include references to its being executed under hand or under seal or, to the extent permitted by, and in accordance with the Companies Ordinance and other applicable laws, rules and regulations, by electronic signature or by any other

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method. Reference to a document, to the extent permitted by, and in accordance with the Companies Ordinance and other applicable laws, rules and regulations, include references to any information in visible form whether having physical substance or not.

- 3. (a) 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 privileges, 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, as the Board may determine), and any preference share may, with the sanction of a special resolution, be issued on the terms that it is, or at the option of the Company is liable, to be redeemed.
  - (b) The Board may issue warrants to subscribe for any class of shares or securities of the Company on such terms as it may from time to time determine, provided that the Company shall not have power to issue share warrants to bearer.
- 4. If at any time the share 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 of the total voting rights of holders of shares in the class, or with the sanction of a special resolution passed at a separate general meeting of the holders of the shares of the class. To every such separate general meeting the provisions of these regulations relating to general meetings shall mutatis mutandis apply, but so that the necessary quorum shall be two persons at least holding or representing by proxy or by authorised representative one-third of the total number of the issued shares of the class, that every holder of shares of the class shall be entitled on a poll to one vote for every such share held by him, that any holder of shares of the class present in person or by proxy or by authorised representative may demand a poll and that at any adjourned meeting of such holders one holder present in person or by proxy or by authorised representative may demand a poll and that at any adjourned meeting of such holders one holder present in person or by proxy or by authorised representative may demand a poll and that at any adjourned meeting of such holders one holder present in person or by proxy or by authorised representative may demand a poll and that at any adjourned meeting of such holders one holder present in person or by proxy or by authorised representative may demand a poll and that at any adjourned meeting of such holders one holder present in person or by proxy or by authorised representative may demand a poll and that at any adjourned meeting of such holders one holder present in person or by proxy or by authorised representative (whatever the number of shares held by him) shall be a quorum.

#### SHARES AND INCREASE OF CAPITAL

- 5. The Company may exercise any powers conferred or permitted by the Companies Ordinance or any other ordinance from time to time to acquire its own shares or to give directly or indirectly, by means of a loan, guarantee, the provision of security or otherwise, 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 and should the Company acquire its own shares neither the Company nor the Board shall be required to select the shares to be acquired rateably or in any other particular manner as between the holders of shares of the same class or as between them and the holders of shares of any other class or in accordance with the rights as to dividends or capital conferred by any class of shares provided always that any such acquisition or financial assistance shall only be made or given in accordance with any relevant rules or regulations issued by The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited or the Securities and Futures Commission from time to time.
- 6. The Company in general meeting may from time to time, subject to the maximum number of shares which the Company may issue, whether or not all the shares for the time being issued shall have been fully paid up, by ordinary resolution increase its share capital in any one or more of the ways set out in Section 170 of the Companies Ordinance.

Issue of shares subject to rights and restrictions.

How rights of shares may be modified.

Company to finance purchase of own shares.

Power to increase capital.

7. Without prejudice to any special rights previously conferred on the holders of existing shares, any new shares shall be issued upon such terms and conditions and with such preferred, deferred, or other special rights or privileges, or such restrictions, whether in regard to dividend, voting, return of share capital, or otherwise, as the Company in the general meeting resolving upon the creation thereof shall determine or, in the absence of any such determination, as the Board may determine.

- 8. The Company may by ordinary resolution, before the issue of any new shares, determine that the same, or any of them, shall be offered in the first instance to all the existing holders of any class of shares in proportions as nearly as may be to the number of shares of such class held by them respectively, or make any other provisions as to the issue and allotment of the new shares, but in default of any such determination, or so far as the same shall not extend, the new shares may be dealt with as if they formed part of the shares in the capital of the Company existing prior to the issue of the new shares.
- 9. Except so far as otherwise provided by the conditions of issue, or by these Articles, any capital raised by the creation of new shares shall be treated as if it formed part of the original capital of the Company, and such shares shall be subject to the provisions contained in these Articles with reference to the payment of calls and instalments, transfer and transmission, forfeiture, lien, cancellation, surrender, voting and otherwise.
- 10. Subject to the provisions of the Companies Ordinance (and in particular Sections 140 and 141 thereof) and of these Articles relating to new shares, all unissued shares in the Company shall be at the disposal of the Board, which may offer, allot (with or without conferring a right of renunciation), grant options over or otherwise dispose of them to such persons, at such times, for such consideration and generally on such terms as the Board shall in its absolute discretion think fit.
- 11. The Company may at any time pay a commission not exceeding ten per cent. 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 subscriptions (whether absolute or conditional) for any shares in the Company, but so that if the commission shall be paid or payable out of capital the conditions and requirements of the Companies Ordinance shall be observed and complied with, and the commission shall not exceed ten per cent, in each case, of the price at which the shares are issued.
- 12. If any shares in the Company are issued for the purpose of raising money to defray the expenses of the construction of any works or buildings, or the provision of any plant which cannot be made profitable for a lengthened period, the Company may pay interest on so much of such share capital as is for the time being paid up for the period and subject to the conditions and restrictions mentioned in the Companies Ordinance, may charge the sum so paid by way of interest to capital as part of the cost of construction of the works or buildings, or the provision of plant.
- 13. Except as otherwise expressly provided by these Articles or as required by law or as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction, no person shall be recognised 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 recognise (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 any other rights in respect of any share except an absolute right to the entirety thereof in the registered holder.

Conditions on which new shares to be issued.

When to be offered to existing members.

New shares treated as forming part of original capital.

Shares at the disposal of the Board.

Company may pay commission.

Power to charge interest to capital.

Company not to recognise trusts in respect of shares.

#### **REGISTER OF MEMBERS AND SHARE CERTIFICATES**

- Share register. 14. The Board shall cause to be kept a register of members, and there shall be entered (a) therein the particulars required under the Companies Ordinance.
  - (b) Subject to the provisions of the Companies Ordinance, if the Board considers it necessary or appropriate, the Company may establish and maintain a branch register of members at such location outside Hong Kong as the Board thinks fit.
- 15. Every person whose name is entered as a member in the register shall be entitled to receive within such period of time as may be prescribed by the Companies Ordinance or the Listing Rules after allotment or lodgement of a transfer (or within such other period as the conditions of issue shall provide) one certificate for all his shares or, if he so request, in a case where the allotment or transfer is of a number of shares in excess of the number for the time being forming the stock exchange board lot, upon payment, (i) in the case of an allotment, of a fee not exceeding such maximum amount as may from time to time be prescribed by the Listing Rules for every certificate after the first; or (ii) in the case of a transfer, of a fee not exceeding such maximum amount as may from time to time be prescribed by the Listing Rules for every certificate, 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 other 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.
- 16. Every certificate for shares or warrants or debentures or representing any other form of securities of the Company must (a) have affixed to it the Company's common seal or the Company's official seal under Section 126 of the Companies Ordinance; or (b) be otherwise executed in accordance with the Companies Ordinance.
- 17. Every share certificate hereafter issued shall specify the number and class of shares in respect of which it is issued, the amount paid thereon and any distinguishing numbers assigned to them, and may otherwise be in such form as the Board may from time to time prescribe.
- 18. (a) The Company shall not be bound to register more than four persons as joint holders of any share.
  - If any share shall stand in the names of two or more persons, the person first named in (b) the register shall be deemed the sole holder thereof as regards service of notices and, subject to the provisions of these Articles, all or any other matters connected with the Company, except the transfer of the share.
- 19. If a share certificate is defaced, lost or destroyed, it may be replaced on payment of such fee, if any, as The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited may determine to be the maximum fee payable or such lesser sum as the Board may determine and on such terms and conditions, if any, as to publication of notices, evidence and indemnity as the Board thinks fit and in the case of wearing out or defacement, after delivery up of the old certificate. In the case of destruction or loss, the person to whom such replacement certificate is given shall also bear and pay to the Company any exceptional costs and the reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incidental to the investigation by the Company of the evidence of such destruction or loss and of such indemnity.

Branch register.

Share certificates

Form of share certificates.

Particulars to be specified in certificate.

Joint holders

Replacement of share certificates.

#### LIEN

- Company's lien. 20. 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 a fixed time in respect of such share; and the Company shall also have a first and paramount lien and charge on all shares (other than fully paid up shares) standing registered in the name of a member, whether singly or jointly with any other person or persons, 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 or 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 other person, whether a member of the Company or not. The Company's lien (if any) on a share shall extend to all dividends and bonuses declared in respect thereof. The Board may at any time either generally or in any particular case waive any lien that has arisen, or declare any share to be exempt wholly or partially from the provisions of this Article.
- 21. The Company may sell, in such manner as the Board thinks fit, any shares on which the Company has a lien, but no sale shall be made unless some sum 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 fourteen days after a notice in writing, stating and demanding payment of the sum presently payable or specifying the liability or engagement and demanding fulfilment or discharge thereof and giving notice of intention to sell in default shall have been given to the holder for the time being of the shares or the person entitled by reason of his death or bankruptcy to the shares.
- 22. The net proceeds of such sale after the payment of the costs of such sale shall be applied in or towards payment or satisfaction of the debt or liability or engagement in respect whereof the lien exists, so far as the same is presently payable, and any residue shall (subject to a like lien for debts or liabilities not presently payable as existed upon the shares prior to the sale) be paid to the person entitled to the shares at the time of the sale. For giving effect to any such sale, the Board may authorise some person to transfer the shares sold to the purchaser and may enter the purchaser's name in the register as holder of the shares, and the purchaser shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money, nor shall his title to the shares be affected by any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings relating to the sale.

#### **CALLS ON SHARES**

- Calls. 23. The Board may from time to time make such calls as it may think fit upon the members in respect of all moneys unpaid on the shares held by them respectively and not by the conditions of allotment thereof made payable at fixed times. A call may be made payable either in one sum or by instalments. The Board may make arrangements on the issue of shares for a difference between the shareholders in the amount of calls to be paid and in the times of payment. The provisions of these Articles with respect to calls may in any share incentive scheme for employees approved by the Company be varied with respect to any shares issued pursuant to such scheme.
- Notice of call. Fourteen days' notice at least of any call shall be given specifying the time and place of 24. payment and to whom such call shall be paid.

Lien extends to dividends and bonuses.

Sale of shares subject to lien.

Application of sale proceeds.

25. A copy of the notice referred to in Article 24 shall be sent to members in the manner in which notices may be sent to members by the Company as herein provided.

- 26. Every member upon whom a call is made shall pay the amount of every call so made on him to the person and at the time or times and place or places as the Board shall appoint.
- 27. Notice of the person appointed to receive payment of every call and of the times and places appointed for payment may be given to the members by notice to be inserted once in The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Gazette and once at least in both an English language newspaper in English and a Chinese language newspaper in Chinese.
- 28. A call shall be deemed to have been made at the time when the resolution of the Board authorising such call was passed.
- 29. The joint holders of a share shall be severally as well as jointly liable for the payment of all  $\int_{j}^{1}$  calls and instalments due in respect of such share or other moneys due in respect thereof.
- 30. The Board may from time to time and at its absolute discretion extend the time fixed for any exceeded and the time as to all or any of the members, whom from residence fixed to any such extension, but no member shall be entitled to any such extension except as a matter of grace and favour.
- 31. If the sum payable in respect of any call or instalment is not paid on or before the day appointed for payment thereof, the person or persons from whom the sum is due shall pay interest for the same at such rate not exceeding twenty per cent. per annum as the Board shall fix from the day appointed for the payment thereof to the time of the actual payment, but the Board may in its absolute discretion waive payment of such interest wholly or in part.
- 32. No member shall be entitled to receive any dividend or bonus or to be present and vote (save as proxy for another member) at any general meeting either personally or by proxy, to be reckoned in a quorum, or to exercise any other privilege as a member until all calls or instalments due by him to the Company, whether alone or jointly with any other person, together with interest and expenses (if any) shall have been paid.
- 33. 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 sued is entered in the register as the holder, or one of the holders, of the shares in 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 these Articles; and it shall not be necessary to prove the appointment of the Directors who made such call, nor any other matters whatsoever, but the proof of the matters aforesaid shall be conclusive evidence of the debt.
- 34. Any sum which by the terms of allotment of a share is made payable upon allotment, or at any fixed date, shall for all purposes of these Articles be deemed to be a call duly made and payable on the date fixed for payment, and in case of non-payment all the relevant provisions of these Articles as to payment of interest and expenses, forfeiture and the like, shall apply as if such sums had become payable by virtue of a call duly made and notified.
- 35. The Board may, if it thinks fit, receive from any member willing to advance the same, and either in money or money's worth, all or any part of the money uncalled and unpaid or instalments payable upon any shares held by him and upon all or any of the moneys so advanced the Company may pay interest at such rate (if any) not exceeding twenty per cent.

Copy of notice to be sent to members.

Every member liable to pay call at appointed time and place.

Notice of call may be advertised.

When call deemed to have been made.

Liability of joint holders.

Board may extend time fixed for call.

Interest on unpaid calls.

Suspension of privileges while call unpaid.

Evidence in action for call.

Sums payable on allotment deemed a call.

Payment of calls in advance.

per annum as the Board may decide provided that not until a call is made any payment in advance of a call shall not entitle the member to receive any dividend or to exercise any other rights or privileges as a member in respect of the shares or the due portion of the shares upon which payment has been advanced by such member before it is called up. The Board may at any time repay the amount so advanced 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 so advanced shall have been called up on the shares in respect of which it was advanced.

#### **TRANSFER OF SHARES**

- Form of 36. All transfers of shares may be effected by an instrument of transfer in the usual or common transfer. form or in such other form as the Board may accept and may be under hand or, if the transferor or transferee is a clearing house or its nominee(s), by hand or by machine imprinted signature or by such other manner of execution as the Board may approve from time to time. All instruments of transfer must be left at the registered office or at such other place as the Board may appoint.
- Execution of 37. The instrument of transfer shall be executed by or on behalf of the transferor and the transferee transfer. provided that the Board may dispense with the execution of the instrument of transfer by the transferee in any case which it thinks fit in its discretion to do so. The Board may also resolve, either generally or in any particular case, upon request by either the transferor or transferee, to accept mechanically executed transfers. The transferor shall be deemed to remain the holder of the share until the name of the transferee is entered in the Register in respect thereof. Nothing in these Articles shall preclude the Board from recognising a renunciation of the allotment or provisional allotment of any share by the allottee in favour of some other person.
- Board may 38. The Board may, in its absolute discretion, refuse to register a transfer of any share (not being a refuse to fully paid up share) to a person of whom it does not approve or any share issued under any register transfers. share incentive scheme for employees upon which a restriction on transfer imposed thereby still subsists, and it may also refuse to register any transfer of any share to more than four joint holders or any transfer of any share (not being a fully paid up share) on which the Company has a lien.
- 39. The Board may also decline to recognise any instrument of transfer unless:
  - a fee of such maximum sum as The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited may (a) determine to be payable or such lesser sum as the Board 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;
  - the instrument of transfer is accompanied by the certificate of the shares to which it (b) relates, and such other evidence as the Board may reasonably require to show the right of the transferor to make the transfer:
  - the instrument of transfer is in respect of only one class of shares; (c)
  - the shares concerned are free of any lien in favour of the Company; and (d)
  - (e) the instrument of transfer is properly stamped.

Requirements as to transfer.

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- 41. If the Board refuses to register a transfer of shares:
  - the transferor or transferee may request a statement of the reasons for the refusal; and (i)
  - (ii) the instrument of transfer must be returned to the transferor or transferee who lodged it unless the Board suspects that the proposed transfer may be fraudulent.
- Return of 41A. The instrument of transfer must be returned in accordance with Article 41(ii) together with a instrument of notice of refusal within 2 months after the date on which the instrument of transfer was lodged transfer. with the Company.
- Refusal of 41B. If a request is made under Article 41(i), the directors must, within 28 days after receiving the request: shares
  - (i) send the transferor or transferee who made the request a statement of the reasons for the refusal: or
  - (ii) register the transfer.
- 42. Upon every transfer of shares the certificate held by the transferor shall be given up to be transfer cancelled, and shall forthwith be cancelled accordingly, and a new certificate shall be issued with a fee not exceeding such maximum amount as may from time to time be prescribed by the Listing Rules 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 with a fee not exceeding such maximum amount as may from time to time be prescribed by the Listing Rules. The Company shall also retain the transfer.
- When transfer 43. The registration of transfers may be suspended and the register closed at such times and for such periods as the Board may from time to time determine and either generally or in respect of any class of shares, provided always that such registration shall not be suspended or the register closed for more than thirty days in any year or, with the approval of the Company in general meeting, sixty days in any year.

#### TRANSMISSION OF SHARES

- 44. 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 person(s) recognised by the Company as having any title to his interest in the shares; but nothing herein contained shall release the estate of a deceased holder (whether sole or joint) from any liability in respect of any share solely or jointly held by him.
- 45. Any person becoming entitled to a share in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of a member may, upon such evidence as to his title being produced as may from time to time be required by the Board, and subject as hereinafter provided either be registered himself as holder of the share or elect to have some person nominated by him registered as the transferee thereof.

books and register may be closed.

Death of registered holder or joint holder of shares.

Registration of personal representatives and trustees in bankruptcy.

Notice of refusal.

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- 46. If the person so becoming entitled shall elect to be registered himself, 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 his nominee registered, he shall testify his election by executing to his nominee a transfer of such share. All the limitations, restrictions and provisions of these presents 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 death or bankruptcy of the member had not occurred and the notice or transfer were a transfer executed by such member.
- 47. A person becoming entitled to a share by reason of the death or bankruptcy of the holder shall be entitled to the same dividends and other advantages to which he would be entitled if he were the registered holder of the share. However, the Board may, if they think fit, withhold the payment of any dividend payable or other advantages in respect of such share until such person shall become the registered holder of the share or shall have effectually transferred such share, but, subject to the requirements of Article 79 being met, such a person may vote at meetings.

#### FORFEITURE OF SHARES

- 48. If a member fails to pay any call or instalment of a call on the day appointed for payment thereof, the Board may, at any time thereafter during such time as any part of the call or instalment remains unpaid, without prejudice to the provisions of Article 32 hereof, serve a notice on him requiring payment of so much of the call or instalment as is unpaid, together with any interest which may have accrued and which may still accrue up to the date of actual payment.
- 49. The notice shall name a further day (not earlier than the expiration of fourteen days from the date of service of the notice) on or before which 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 appointed the shares in respect of which the call was made will be liable to be forfeited.
- 50. 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 Board to that effect. Such forfeiture shall include all dividends and bonuses declared in respect of the forfeited share and not actually paid before the forfeiture. The Board may accept the surrender of any shares liable to be forfeited hereunder and in such cases references in these Articles to forfeiture shall include surrender.
- Forfeited share Any share so forfeited shall be deemed to be the property of the Company, and may be sold, 51. re-allotted or otherwise disposed of on such terms and in such manner as the Board thinks fit and at any time before a sale or disposal the forfeiture may be cancelled on such terms as the Board thinks fit.
- 52. 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 moneys which, at the date of forfeiture, were payable by him to the Company in respect of the shares, together with (if the Board shall in their discretion so require) interest thereon from the date of forfeiture until payment at such rate not exceeding twenty per cent. per annum as the Board may prescribe, and the Board may enforce the payment thereof if it thinks fit, and without any deduction or allowance for the value of the shares, at the date of forfeiture, but his liability shall cease if and when the Company shall have received payment in full of all such moneys in respect of the shares. For the purposes of this Article any sum which, by the terms of issue of a

Notice of election to be registered.

Registration of nominee.

Retention of Dividends etc. of shares of deceased or bankrupt member.

If call or instalment not paid notice may be given.

Form of notice.

If notice not complied with shares may be forfeited.

to become property of Company.

Amounts to be paid notwithstanding forfeiture

share, is payable thereon at a fixed time which is subsequent to the date of forfeiture, shall notwithstanding that 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 the date of actual payment.

- 53. A statutory declaration in writing that the declarant is a Director or Secretary of the Company, and that a share in the Company has been duly forfeited 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 or disposal thereof and may execute a transfer of the share in favour of the person to whom the share is sold or disposed of and he shall thereupon be registered as the holder of the share, and shall not be bound to see to 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 or disposal of the share.
- 54. When any share shall have been forfeited, notice of the resolution shall be 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, but no forfeiture shall be invalidated by any failure to give such notice or make such entry as aforesaid.
- 55. Notwithstanding any such forfeiture as aforesaid the Board may at any time, before any shares so forfeited shall have been sold, re-allotted or otherwise disposed of, permit the shares forfeited to be bought back upon the terms of payment of all calls and interest due upon and expenses incurred in respect of the share, and upon such further terms (if any) as they think fit.
- 56. The forfeiture of a share shall not prejudice the right of the Company to any call already made or instalment payable thereon.
- 57. 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, as if the same had been payable by virtue of a call duly made and notified.

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#### **ALTERATION OF CAPITAL**

- 62. (a) The Company may from time to time by ordinary resolution alter its share capital in any one or more of the ways set out in Section 170 of the Companies Ordinance, including but not limited to:-
- Consolidation and division of capital and cancellation of shares.
  - (i) consolidating or dividing all or any of its share capital into shares of larger or smaller number than the number of its existing shares; on any consolidation of

transfer of forfeited share

Evidence of forfeiture, and

Power to buy

Forfeiture not to prejudice Company's right to call or instalment.

Forfeiture for non-payment of any sum due on shares. fully paid shares into shares of larger number, the Board may settle any difficulty which may arise as it thinks expedient and in particular (but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing) may as between the holders of shares to be consolidated determine which particular shares are to be consolidated into each consolidated share, and if it shall happen that any persons shall become entitled to fractions of a consolidated share or shares, such fractions may be sold by some person appointed by the Board 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; and

- (ii) cancelling 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 share capital by the number of the shares so cancelled.
- Reduction of (b) The Company may by special resolution reduce its share capital in any manner capital. authorised and subject to any conditions prescribed by law.

#### **GENERAL MEETINGS**

- 63. The Company shall, when so required by the Companies Ordinance, in each financial year When annual hold a general meeting as its annual general meeting in addition to any other meeting in that year and shall specify the meeting as such in the notices calling it. The annual general meeting shall be held at such time and place as the Board shall appoint and may be held at two or more places using any technology that enables the members who are not together at the same place to listen, speak and vote at the meeting.
- 64. All general meetings other than annual general meetings shall be called extraordinary general meetings.
- 65. The Directors may, whenever they think fit, convene an extraordinary general meeting, and extraordinary general meetings shall also be convened on requisition as provided by the Companies Ordinance, or, in default, may be convened by the requisitionists.
- 66. An annual general meeting shall be called by 21 days' notice in writing at the least (or such longer period as may be required by the Listing Rules), and a meeting of the Company other than an annual general meeting shall be called by 14 days' notice in writing at the least (or such longer period as may be required by the Listing Rules). The notice shall be exclusive of the day on which it is served or deemed to be served, received or delivered and of the day for which it is given, sent or supplied, and shall specify the place (and if the meeting is to be held in two or more places, the principal place of the meeting and the other place or places of the meeting), the day and the hour of meeting and shall be given, in the 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 these Articles, entitled to receive such notices from the Company.
- 67. (a) The accidental omission to give any such notice to, or the non-receipt of any such notice by, any person entitled to receive such notice shall not invalidate any resolution passed or any proceeding at any such meeting.

general meeting to be held.

Extraordinary general meetings.

Convening of extraordinary general meetings.

Notices of meetings.

As to omission to give notice.

In cases where instruments of proxy are sent out with notices, the accidental omission to (b) send such instrument of proxy to, or the non-receipt of such instrument of proxy by, any person entitled to receive notice shall not invalidate any resolution passed or any proceeding at any such meeting.

#### **PROCEEDINGS AT GENERAL MEETINGS**

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- Quorum 69. For all purposes the quorum for a general meeting shall be two members present in person or in the case of a member being a corporation by its duly authorised representative or by proxy and entitled to vote. No business shall be transacted at any general meeting unless the requisite quorum shall be present at the commencement of the business.
- 70. If within fifteen 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, but 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 Board, and if at such adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within fifteen minutes from the time appointed for holding the meeting, the member or members present in person shall be a quorum and may transact the business for which the meeting was called.
- 71. The Chairman of the Board shall take the chair at every general meeting, or, if there be no such Chairman or, if at any general meeting such Chairman shall not be present within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for holding such meeting, the members present and entitled to vote shall choose another Director as Chairman, and if no Director 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 and entitled to vote shall choose one of them to be Chairman.
- 72. The Chairman may, with the consent of any general 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. Whenever a meeting is adjourned for fourteen days or more, at least seven clear days' notice, specifying the place, the day and the hour of the adjourned meeting shall be given in the same manner 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, no member shall be entitled to any notice of an adjournment or of the business to be transacted at any adjourned meeting. No business shall be transacted at any adjourned meeting other than the business which might have been transacted at the meeting from which the adjournment took place.
- 73. 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 unless a poll is (before or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands) demanded:
  - by the Chairman; or (a)
  - (b) by at least five members present in person or in the case of a member being a corporation by its duly authorised representative or by proxy for the time being entitled to vote at the meeting; or

Insufficient quorum situations

Chairman of general meeting.

Power to adjourn general meeting.

Business of adjourned meeting.

Resolutions to be voted on.

- (c) by any member or members present in person or in the case of a member being a corporation by its duly authorised representative or by proxy and representing not less than one-twentieth of the total voting rights of all the members having the right to vote at the meeting; or
- (d) by any member or members present in person or in the case of a member being a corporation by its duly authorised representative or by proxy and holding shares in the Company conferring a right to vote at the meeting being shares on which an aggregate sum has been paid up equal to not less than one-twentieth of the total sum paid up on all the shares conferring that right.

Unless a poll is so taken as required under the Listing Rules or any other applicable laws, rules or regulations or unless a poll be so demanded and the 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 containing the minutes of the proceedings of the Company, shall be conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour or against such resolution. The demand for a poll may be withdrawn.

- 74. If a poll is demanded as aforesaid, it shall (subject as provided in Article 75) be taken in such <sup>Poll.</sup> manner (including the use of ballot or voting papers or tickets) and at such time and place, not being more than thirty days from the date of the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the poll was demanded, as the Chairman directs. No notice need be given of a poll not taken immediately. The result of the poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting at which the poll was demanded. 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.
- 75. Any poll duly demanded on the election of a chairman of a meeting or on any question of adjournment shall be taken at the meeting and without adjournment.
- 76. In the case of an equality of votes, whether on a show of hands or on a poll, the Chairman of the meeting at which the show of hands takes place or at which the poll is demanded, shall be entitled to a second or casting vote. In case of any dispute as to the admission or rejection of any vote, the Chairman shall determine the same, and such determination shall be final and conclusive.
- 77. The 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.

#### **VOTES OF MEMBERS**

78. Subject to any special rights, privileges or restrictions as to voting for the time being attached to any class or classes of shares, at any general meeting on a show of hands every member who (being an individual) is present in person or (being a corporation) is present by a representative duly authorised under Section 606 of the Companies Ordinance, shall have one vote, and on a poll every member present in person or by proxy or by duly authorised representative shall have one vote for every share of which he is the holder which is fully paid up or credited as fully paid up (but so that no amount paid up or credited as paid up on a share in advance of calls shall be treated for the purposes of this Article as paid up on the share). On a poll a

In what cases poll taken without adjournment.

Chairman to have casting vote.

Business may proceed not-withstandin g demand for poll.

Votes of members.

member entitled to more than one vote need not use all his votes or cast all the votes he uses in the same way.

- 79. Any person entitled under Article 45 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 forty-eight hours at least 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 Board of his entitlement to such shares, or the Board shall have previously admitted his right to vote at such meeting in respect thereof.
- 80. Where there are joint registered holders of any share, any one of such persons may vote at any meeting, either personally or by proxy, in respect of such share as if he were solely entitled thereto: but if more than one of such joint holders be present at any meeting personally or by proxy, that one of the said persons so present whose name stands first on the register (and any proxies duly authorised by the holder) in respect of such share, shall alone be entitled to vote in respect thereof. Several executors or administrators of a deceased member in whose name any share stands shall for the purpose of this Article be deemed joint holders thereof.
- 81. A member of unsound mind, or in respect of whom an order has been made by any court having jurisdiction in cases of mental disorders, 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 or curator bonis appointed by that court, and any such committee, receiver, curator bonis or other person may, on a poll, vote by proxy, provided that such evidence as the Directors may require of the authority of the person claiming to vote shall have been deposited at the registered office of the Company not less than:
  - forty-eight hours before the time for holding a general meeting or adjourned general (a) meeting; or
  - twenty-four hours before the time appointed for a poll taken more than forty-eight hours (b) after it was demanded.
- 82. Save as herein expressly provided, no person other than a member duly registered and (a) who shall have paid everything for the time being due from him and payable to the Company in respect of his shares and is entitled to attend and vote shall be entitled to be present or to vote (save as proxy for another member) either personally or by proxy, or to be reckoned in a quorum (save as proxy for another member), at any general meeting.
  - (b) No objection shall be raised to the qualification of any voter except at the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the vote objected to is given or tendered, any vote not disallowed at such meeting shall be valid for all purposes. Any such objection made in due time shall be referred to the Chairman, whose decision shall be final and conclusive.
  - Where the Company has knowledge that any member is, under any applicable laws and (c) the Listing Rules, 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.
- Proxies 83. Any member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at a meeting of the Company or a meeting of the holder of any class of shares in the Company shall be entitled to appoint another person as his proxy to attend and vote instead of him. On a poll votes may be given either

Votes in respect of deceased and bankrupt members.

Joint holders.

Votes of member of unsound mind.

Qualification for voting.

Objections to votes.

Voting in contravention to Listing Rules.

personally or by proxy. A proxy need not be a member of the Company. A member may appoint more than one proxy to attend on the same occasion.

- 84. The instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing under the hand of the appointor or of his attorney duly authorised in writing, or if the appointor is a corporation, either under seal, or under the hand of an officer or attorney duly authorised.
- 85. 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 registered office of the Company or at such other place as is specified in the notice of meeting or in the instrument of proxy issued by the Company not less than:
  - (a) forty-eight hours before the time for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting; or
  - twenty-four hours before the time appointed for a poll taken more than forty-eight hours (b) after it was demanded,

and in default the instrument of proxy shall not be treated as valid. No instrument appointing a proxy shall be valid after expiration of twelve months from the date of its execution, except at an adjourned meeting or on a poll demanded at a meeting or an adjourned meeting in cases where the meeting was originally held within twelve months from such date. Delivery of an instrument appointing a proxy shall not preclude a member from attending and voting in person at the meeting or poll concerned and, in such event, the instrument appointing a proxy shall be deemed to be revoked.

- 86. Every instrument of proxy, whether for a specified meeting or otherwise, shall be in such form as the Board may from time to time approve.
- 87. The instrument appointing a proxy to vote at a general meeting shall: (i) be deemed to confer authority upon the proxy to demand or join in demanding a poll and to vote on any resolution (or amendment thereto) put to the meeting for which it is given as the proxy thinks fit provided that any form issued to a member for use by him for appointing a proxy to attend and vote at an extraordinary general meeting or at an annual general meeting at which any business is to be transacted shall be such as to enable the member, according to his intention, to instruct the proxy to vote in favour of or against (or, in default of instructions, to exercise his discretion in respect of) each resolution dealing with any such business; and (ii) unless the contrary is stated therein, be valid as well for any adjournment of the meeting as for the meeting to which it relates.
- 88. A vote given in accordance with the terms of an instrument of proxy shall be valid notwithstanding the previous death or unsoundness of mind of the principal or revocation of the proxy or power of attorney or other authority under which the proxy was executed, or the transfer of the share in respect of which the proxy is given, provided that no intimation in writing of such death, unsoundness of mind, revocation or transfer as aforesaid shall have been received by the Company at the registered office, or at such other place as is referred to in Article 85 of these Articles, prior to two hours before the commencement of the meeting, adjourned meeting or poll, as the case may be, at which the proxy is used.
- 89. (a) Any corporation which is a member of the Company may by resolution of its directors or other governing body authorise 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 authorised shall be entitled to exercise the same powers on behalf of the

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Corporation acting by representative at meetings.

Instrument appointing proxy to be in writing.

Appointment of proxy must be deposited.

Form of proxy.

Authority under instrument appointing proxy.

Vote by revoked

proxy.

corporation which he represents as that corporation could exercise if it were an individual member of the Company.

- (b) If a clearing house or a nominee of a clearing house is a member of the Company, it may authorise such person or persons as it thinks fit to act as its representative or representatives at any meeting of the Company or at any meeting of any class of members of the Company provided that, if more than one person is so authorised, the authorisation shall specify the number and class of shares in respect of which each such person is so authorised. A person so authorised under the provisions of these Articles shall be entitled to exercise the same powers on behalf of the clearing house (or its nominee) which he represents as that clearing house (or its nominee) could exercise if it were an individual member of the Company.
- (c) Any reference in these Articles to a duly authorised representative of a member of the Company being a corporation shall mean a representative authorised under the provisions of these Articles.

#### **REGISTERED OFFICE**

90. The registered office of the Company shall be at such place in Hong Kong as the Board shall Registered office.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

- 91. The number of Directors shall not be less than two.
- 92. The Board shall have power from time to time, and at any time to appoint any person as a Director either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the Board. Any Director so appointed shall hold office only until the next following annual general meeting, or if earlier, the next following extraordinary general meeting, of the Company and shall then be eligible for re-election at that meeting.
- 93. (a) Any Director may at any time by notice in writing delivered to the registered office of the Company or at a meeting of the Board, appoint any person (including another Director) to be his alternate Director for such period of absence from Hong Kong or such period of unavailability due to illness or disability or for such meeting as may be specified therein and may in like manner at any time determine such appointment. Such appointment, unless previously approved by the Board, shall have effect only upon and subject to being so approved.
  - (b) The appointment of an alternate Director shall determine on the happening of any event which, were he a Director, would cause him to vacate such office, or if his appointor ceases to be a Director.
  - (c) An alternate Director shall (except when absent from Hong Kong, for which purpose he shall be deemed absent from Hong Kong on any day if he has given to the Secretary notice of his intention to be absent from Hong Kong for any period including such day and has not revoked such notice) be entitled to receive notices of meeting of the Board and shall be entitled to attend and vote as a Director at any such meeting at which the Director appointing him is not personally present and generally at such meeting to perform all the functions of his appointor as a Director, and for the purposes of the proceedings at such meeting the provisions of these Articles shall apply as if he (instead

Number.

Board may fill vacancies.

Alternate Directors.

of his appointor) were a Director. If he shall be himself a Director and/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 temporarily unable to act through ill-health or disability, his signature to any resolution in writing of the Board shall be as effective as the signature of his appointor. To such extent as the Board may from time to time determine in relation to any committees of the Board, 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 these Articles.

- (d) 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 by notice in writing to the Company from time to time direct.
- (e) An alternate Director shall be deemed to be the agent of the Director who appoints him. A Director who appoints an alternate Director shall be vicariously liable for any tort committed by the alternate Director while acting in the capacity of alternate Director.
- 94. A Director need not hold any qualification shares but shall nevertheless be entitled to receive shar notice of and to attend and speak at all general meetings of the Company and at all separate meetings of the respective holders of all classes of shares of the Company.
- 95. The Directors shall be entitled to receive by way of remuneration for their services such sum as shall from time to time 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 Board may agree or, failing 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. The foregoing provisions shall not apply to a Director who holds any salaried employment or office in the Company except in the case of sums paid in respect of Directors' fees.
- 96. The Directors shall also be entitled to be repaid all travelling, hotel and other expenses <sup>I</sup><sub>e</sub> 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 in the business of the Company.
- 97. The Board may grant special remuneration to any Director who, being called upon, shall perform any special or extra services to the Company. Such special remuneration may be made payable to such Director in addition to or in substitution for his ordinary remuneration as a Director, and may be made payable by way of salary, or commission, participation in profits or otherwise as may be arranged.
- 98. Notwithstanding the foregoing Articles 95, 96 and 97, the remuneration of a Managing <sup>H</sup><sub>c</sub> Director, Joint Managing Director, Deputy Managing Director or other Executive Director or a <sup>H</sup><sub>c</sub> Director appointed to any other office in the management of the business of the Company shall

No qualification shares for Directors.

Directors' remuneration

Directors' expenses.

Special remuneration

Remuneration of Managing Directors, etc. from time to time be fixed by the Board and may be by way of salary, commission, or 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 Board may from time to time decide. Such remuneration shall be in addition to his remuneration as a Director.

99. (a) A Director shall vacate his office:-

When office of Director to be vacated.

- (i) If he becomes bankrupt or has a receiving order made against him or suspends payment, or compounds with his creditors.
- (ii) If he becomes of unsound mind.
- (iii) If he absents himself from the meetings of the Board during a continuous period of six months without special leave of absence from the Board, and his alternate Director (if any) shall not during such period have attended in his stead, and the Board passes a resolution that he has by reason of such absence vacated his office.
- (iv) If he becomes prohibited from being a Director by reason of any provision of the Companies Ordinance or the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance (Cap 32) or is otherwise prohibited from being a Director by law.
- (v) If by notice in writing delivered to the Company at its registered office he resigns his office.
- (vi) If he shall be removed from office by notice in writing served upon him signed by all his co-Directors.
- (vii) If, having been appointed to an office under Article 114 hereof, he is dismissed or removed therefrom by the Board under Article 115.
- (b) Subject to the provisions of the Companies Ordinance no Director shall be required to vacate office or be ineligible for re-election or re-appointment as a Director, and no person shall be ineligible for appointment as a Director, by reason only of his having attained any particular age.
- 100. (a) A Director may hold any other office or place of profit with the Company (except that of Auditor) in conjunction with his office of Director for such period and upon such terms as the Board may determine, and may be paid such extra remuneration therefor (whether by way of salary, commission, participation in profits or otherwise) as the Board may determine and such extra remuneration shall be in addition to any remuneration provided for by or pursuant to any other Article.

(b) A Director may act by himself or his firm in a professional capacity for the Company (otherwise than as Auditor) and he or his firm shall be entitled to remuneration for professional services as if he were not a Director.

(c) A Director of the Company may be or become a director or other officer of, or otherwise interested in, any company promoted by the Company or any other company in which the Company may be interested, and, subject to the Companies Ordinance, shall not be liable to account to the Company or the members for any remuneration, profits or other benefits received by him as director or officer of or from his interest in such other company. The Board may also cause the voting power conferred by the shares in any other company held or owned by the Company or exercisable by it as director of such other company to be exercised in such manner in all respects as it thinks fit, including the exercise thereof in favour of any resolution appointing the Directors or any of them to be directors or officers of such other company, or voting or providing for the payment of remuneration to the directors or officers of such other company.

- (d) A Director shall not vote or be counted in the quorum on any resolution of the Board concerning his own appointment as the holder of any office or place of profit with the Company or any other company in which the Company is interested (including the arrangement or variation of the terms thereof, or the termination thereof).
- (e) Where arrangements are under consideration concerning the appointment (including the arrangement or variation of the terms thereof, or the termination thereof) of two or more Directors to offices or places of profit with the Company or any other company in which the Company is interested, a separate resolution may be put in relation to each Director and in such case each of the Directors concerned shall be entitled to vote (and be counted in the quorum) in respect of each resolution except that concerning his own appointment (or the arrangement or variation of the terms thereof, or the termination thereof) and except (in the case of an office or place of profit with any such other company as aforesaid) where the other company is a company in which the Director together with any of his associates own 5 per cent. or more.
- (f) Subject to the Companies Ordinance and to the next paragraph of this Article, no Director or proposed or intending Director shall be disqualified by this office from contracting with the Company, either with regard to his tenure of any office or place of profit (except that of Auditor) or as vendor, purchaser or in any other manner whatsoever, nor shall any such contract or any other contract or arrangement in which any Director is in any way interested be liable to be avoided, nor shall any Director so contracting or being so interested be liable to account to the Company of the members for any remuneration, profit or other benefits realised by any such contract or arrangement by reason of such Director holding that office or of the fiduciary relationship thereby established.
- (g) A Director who to his knowledge is in any way, whether directly or indirectly, interested in a transaction, contract or arrangement or proposed transaction, contract or arrangement with the Company shall declare the nature of his interest at the meeting of the Board at which the question of entering into the transaction, contract or arrangement is first taken into consideration if he knows his interest then exists, or in any other case as soon as is reasonably practicable, and in any event, at the first meeting of the Board after he knows that he is or has become so interested, and such declaration shall be made in accordance with the Companies Ordinance. For this purpose, a general notice to the Board by a Director to the effect that:-
  - (i) he is interested (as a member, officer, employee or otherwise) in a specified company or firm (with such notice to specify the nature and extent of the Director's interest) and is to be regarded as interested in any transaction, contract or arrangement which may after the date of the notice be made with that company or firm; or

(ii) he is to be regarded as interested in any transaction, contract or arrangement which may after the date of the notice be made with a specified person who is connected (as such term is defined in the Companies Ordinance) with him (with such notice to specify the nature of the Director's connection),

shall be deemed to be a sufficient declaration of interest in relation to any such transaction, contract or arrangement; provided that no such notice shall be effective unless either it is given at a meeting of the Board or it is in writing and sent to the Company, and the Director takes reasonable steps to secure that it is brought up and read at the next Board meeting after it is given.

- (h) A Director shall not vote (nor be counted in the quorum) on any resolution of the Board approving any contract or arrangement or any other proposal in which he or any of his associate(s) to his knowledge is/are materially interested, but this prohibition shall not apply to any of the following matters namely:-
  - (i) any contract or arrangement for the giving by the Company of any security or indemnity to the Director or his associate(s) in respect of money lent or obligations incurred or undertaken by him or any of his associates at the request of or for the benefit of the Company or any of its subsidiaries;
  - (ii) any contract or arrangement for the giving by the Company of any security or indemnity 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 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;
  - (iii) any contract or arrangement by a Director or his associate(s) to subscribe for shares or debentures or other securities of the Company to be issued pursuant to any offer or invitation to the members or debenture holders or to the public which does not provide the Director or his associate(s) any privilege not accorded to any other members or debenture holders or to the public;
  - (iv) any contract, arrangement or proposal concerning an offer of the 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 associate(s) is/are to be interested as a participant in the underwriting or sub-underwriting of the offer;
  - (v) any contract or arrangement in which the Director or his 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;
  - (vi) any contract, arrangement or proposal concerning any other company in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested only, whether directly or indirectly, as an officer or executive or shareholder or in which the Director and/or his associate(s) is/are beneficially interested in shares of that company, provided that the Director and any of his associates are not in aggregate beneficially interested in 5 per cent. or more of the issued shares or voting rights of any class of shares of such company (or of any third company through which his interest or that of his associates is derived);

- (vii) any proposal or arrangement concerning the benefit of employees of the Company or its subsidiaries including the adoption, modification or operation of a pension fund or retirement, death or disability benefits scheme which relates both to the Directors, his associates and employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or its associate(s) any privilege not generally accorded to the employees to whom such scheme or fund relates; and
- (viii) any proposal or arrangement concerning the adoption, modification or operation of any share scheme involving the issue or grant of options over shares or other securities by the Company to, or for the benefit of the employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries under which the Director or his associate(s) may benefit.
- (i) A company shall be deemed to be a company in which a Director and/or his associate(s) own(s) 5 per cent. or more and if and so long as (but only if and so long as) he and/or his associate(s) is/are either directly or indirectly the holder(s) of or beneficially interested in 5 per cent. or more of any class of the equity share capital of such company (or of any third company through which his interest or that of any of his associates is derived) or of the voting rights available to members of such company. For the purpose of this paragraph there shall be disregarded any shares held by a Director or his associate(s) as bare or custodian trustee and in which the interest of the Director or his associate(s) is/are in reversion or remainder if and so long as some other person is entitled to receive the income thereof, and any shares comprised in an authorised unit trust scheme in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested only as a unit holder and any shares which carry no voting right at general meetings and very restrictive dividend and return of capital right.
- (j) Where a company in which a Director and/or his associate(s) hold(s) 5 per cent. or more is materially interested in a transaction, then that Director and/or his associate(s) shall also be deemed materially interested in such transaction.
- (k) If any question shall arise at any meeting of the Board as to the materiality of the interest of a Director (other than the chairman of the meeting) or his associate(s) or as to the entitlement of any Director (other than such chairman) to vote or be counted in the quorum and such question is not resolved by his 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 and/or his associate(s) concerned as known to such Director has not been fairly disclosed to the Board. If any question as aforesaid shall arise in respect of the chairman of the meeting such question shall be counted in the quorum but shall not vote thereon) and such resolution shall be final and conclusive except in a case where the nature or extent of the Board (for which purpose such chairman shall be counted in the quorum but 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 as known to such chairman has not been fairly disclosed to the Board.
- (1) In so far as it is required by the Listing Rules, a Director shall not vote (nor be counted in the quorum) on any resolution of the shareholders in respect of any contract or arrangement in which he or any of his associate(s) is to his knowledge materially interested provided that this prohibition (a) shall not apply to any of the matters specified as (i) to (viii) inclusive in Article 100 (h) above; and (b) is also subject to any waiver which may be granted by The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

# **ROTATION OF DIRECTORS**

- 101. At each annual general meeting one-third of the Directors for the time being, or, if their number is not three or a multiple of three, then the number nearest one-third, shall retire from office. The Directors to retire in every year shall be those who have been longest in office since their last election but as between persons who became Directors on the same day those to retire shall (unless they otherwise agree between themselves) be determined by lot. The retiring Directors shall be eligible for re-election.
- 102. The Company at any general meeting at which any Directors retire in manner aforesaid, may fill up the vacated offices by electing a like number of persons to be Directors.
- 103. If at any general meeting at which an election of Directors ought to take place and the place of a retiring Director is not filled up, the reappointment of such retiring Director shall be voted on individually.
- 104. The Company may from time to time in general meeting by ordinary resolution increase or reduce the number of Directors but so that the number of Directors shall never be less than two.
- 105. No person other than a Director retiring at the meeting shall, unless recommended by the Directors for election, be eligible for election as a Director at any general meeting unless a notice signed by a member (other than the person to be proposed) duly qualified to attend and vote at the meeting for which such notice is given of his intention to propose such person for election and also a notice signed by the person to be proposed for his willingness to be elected shall have been lodged at the registered office of the Company provided that the minimum length of the period, during which such notice(s) are given, shall be at least seven (7) days and that the period for lodgment of such notice(s) shall commence no earlier than the day after the despatch of the notice of the general meeting appointed for such election and ending no later than seven (7) days prior to the date appointed for such general meeting.
- 106. The Company shall keep at its office a register containing all such particulars of its Directors as are required by the Companies Ordinance to be kept therein and shall send to the Registrar of Companies a copy of such register and shall from time to time notify to the Registrar any change that takes place in such Directors or their particulars as required by the Companies Ordinance.
- 107. The Company may by ordinary resolution remove any Director (including a Managing or other Executive Director) 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 which such Director may have for damages for any breach of any contract of service between him and the Company) and may elect another person in his stead. Any person so elected shall hold office for such time only as the Director in whose place he is elected would have held the same if he had not been removed.

Rotation and retirement of Directors.

Meeting to fill up vacancies.

Reappointment of retiring Directors to be voted on individually.

Power of general meeting to increase or reduce number of Directors.

Notices to be given when person proposed for election.

Register of Directors and notification of changes to Registrar.

Power to remove Director by Ordinary resolution.

### **BORROWING POWERS**

- 108. The Board may from time to time at their discretion exercise all the powers of the Company to raise or borrow, or to secure the payment of, any sum or sums of money for the purposes of the Company and to mortgage or charge its undertaking, property and uncalled capital or any part thereof.
- 109. The Board may raise or secure the payment or repayment of such sum or sums in such manner and upon such terms and conditions in all respects as they think fit and in particular, by the issue of debentures, debenture stock, bonds or other securities of the Company, whether outright or as collateral security for any debt, liability or obligation of the Company or of any third party.
- 110. 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.
- 111. 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.
- 112. The Board shall cause a proper register to be kept, in accordance with the provisions of the characteristic Companies Ordinance, of all mortgages and charges specifically affecting the property of the company and shall duly comply with the requirements of the Companies Ordinance, in regard to the registration of mortgages and charges therein specified and otherwise.
- 113. 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 charge.

### MANAGING DIRECTORS ETC.

- 114. The Board may from time to time appoint any one or more of its body to the office of Managing Director, Joint Managing Director, Deputy Managing Director or other Executive Director and/or such other office in the management of the Company as it may decide for such period and upon such terms as it thinks fit and upon such terms as to remuneration as it may decide in accordance with Article 98.
- 115. Every Director appointed to an office under Article 114 hereof shall, subject to the provisions Ma of any contract between himself and the Company with regard to his employment in such Din office, be liable to be dismissed or removed therefrom by the Board.
- 116. A Director appointed to an office under Article 114 hereof 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 ceases to hold the office of Director for any cause.
- 117. The Board may from time to time entrust to and confer upon a Managing Director, Joint Managing Director, Deputy Managing Director or Executive Director all or any of the powers of the Board that they may think fit. But the exercise of all powers by such Director shall be subject to such regulations and restrictions as the Board may from time to time make and impose, and the said powers may at any time be withdrawn, revoked or varied.

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Assignment.

Special privileges.

Register of charges to be kept.

Charge of uncalled capital.

Power to appoint Managing Directors, etc.

Removal of Managing Director, etc.

Cessation of appointment.

Powers may be delegated.

## **POWERS OF DIRECTORS**

- 118. (a) Subject to any exercise by the Board of the powers conferred by Articles 117, 119, 120, 121, 127, 139 and 140 hereof, the management of the business of the Company shall be vested in the Board who, in addition to the powers and authorities by these Articles expressly conferred upon them, may exercise all such powers and do all such acts and things as may be exercised or done by the Company and are not hereby or by the Companies Ordinance expressly directed or required to be exercised or done by the Company in general meeting, but subject nevertheless to the provisions of the Companies Ordinance and of these Articles and to any regulations from time to time made by the Company in general meeting not being inconsistent with such provisions or these Articles: Provided that no regulation so made shall invalidate any prior act of the Board which would have been valid if such regulation had not been made.
  - (b) Without prejudice to the general powers conferred by these Articles it is hereby expressly declared that the Board 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 such amount as may be agreed.
    - (ii) To give any Directors, officers 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.

#### MANAGERS

- 119. The Board may from time to time appoint a general manager, a manager or managers of the Company and may fix his or their remuneration either by way of salary or 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 general manager, manager or managers who may be employed by him or them upon the business of the Company.
- 120. The appointment of such general manager, manager or managers may be for such period as the Board may decide, and the Board may confer upon him or them all or any of the powers of the Directors as it may think fit.
- 121. The Board may enter into such agreement or agreements with any such general manager, manager or managers upon such terms and conditions in all respects as the Board may in its absolute discretion thinks fit, including a power for such general manager, 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.

# CHAIRMAN

122. The Board may elect a Chairman for their meetings and determine the period (not being a period extending beyond the date of the annual general meeting at which such Chairman is due to retire by rotation under Article 101) for which he is to hold office; but if no such Chairman is elected, or if at any meeting the Chairman is not present or is unwilling so to act within five minutes after the time appointed for holding the same, the Directors present may choose one of their number to be Chairman for that meeting.

General powers of Company vested in the Board.

Appointment and remuneration of managers.

Tenure of office and powers.

Terms and Conditions of appointment.

Chairman.

# **PROCEEDINGS OF THE DIRECTORS**

- 123. The Directors may meet together for the despatch of business, adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings and proceedings as they think fit and may determine the quorum necessary for the transaction of business. Unless otherwise determined three Directors shall be a quorum. 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 count as only one Director. Any Director may participate in a meeting of the Board or of any such committee of the Board by means of a conference telephone or similar communication equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting are capable of hearing each other.
- 124. A Director may, and on request of a Director the Secretary shall, at any time summon a meeting of the Board. Notice thereof shall be given to each 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 in such other manner as the Board may from time to time determine. Provided however that notice need not be given to any Director for the time being absent from Hong Kong. A Director may waive notice of any meeting and any such waiver may be prospective or retrospective.
- 125. Questions arising at any meeting of the Board shall be decided by a majority of votes, and in to be d case of an equality of votes the Chairman shall have a second or casting vote.
- 126. A meeting of the Board 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 these Articles for the time being vested in or exercisable by the Board generally.
- 127. The Board may delegate any of their powers to committees consisting of such member or members of its body as the Board thinks fit, and it 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 person or purposes, but 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 upon it by the Board.
- 128. 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 Board, and the Board 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.
- 129. The meetings and proceedings of any such committee consisting of two or more members shall be governed by the provisions herein contained for regulating the meetings and proceedings of the Directors.
- 130. All acts *bona fide* done by any meeting of the Board or by a committee of the Board, or by any person acting as a Director shall, notwithstanding that it shall be afterwards discovered that there was some defect in the appointment of any such Director or person acting as aforesaid or that he had by virtue of Article 99(a) ceased to be a Director, be as valid as if every such person had been duly appointed and had not ceased to be a Director.
- 131. The continuing Directors may act notwithstanding any vacancy in their body, but, if and so long as their number is reduced below the minimum number fixed by or pursuant to these vac

Convening of Board meeting.

How questions to be decided.

Powers of meeting.

Power to appoint committee and to delegate.

Acts of committee to be of same effect as acts of the Board.

Proceedings of committee.

When acts of Directors or committee to be valid not-withstandin g defects.

Directors' powers when vacancies exist. Articles, the continuing Directors or Director 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.

132. A resolution in writing signed by all the Directors in Hong Kong except such as are temporarily unable to act through ill-health or disability, and all the alternate Directors in Hong Kong whose appointors are absent from Hong Kong or are temporarily unable to act as aforesaid shall (so long as they constitute a quorum as provided in Article 123) be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Board duly convened and held and may consist of several documents in like form each signed by one or more of the Directors or alternate Directors.

Honorary President.

133. The Board may, at any time and from time to time, appoint any one of their number or any former Director of the Company who, in their opinion, has rendered outstanding services to the Company, or any other person to be President of the Company for such period as the Board may decide. Any such appointment may from time to time be vested by the Board. The President shall not, by virtue of his office, be deemed a Director or be entitled to any remuneration. Nevertheless where he is not a Director he may, by invitation of the Board, attend meetings of the Board for the purpose of giving advice and the Board may remunerate him in respect of advice and assistance from time to time given by him.

# SECRETARY

HONORARY PRESIDENT

- 134. The Secretary shall be appointed by the Board for such term, at such remuneration and upon such conditions as it may think fit, and any Secretary so appointed may be removed by the Board. Anything by the Companies Ordinance or these Articles required or authorised to be done by or to the Secretary, if the office is vacant or there is for any other reason no Secretary capable of 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 authorised generally or specially on that behalf by the Board. In the event that the Secretary appointed is a corporation or other body, it may act and sign by the hand of any one or more of its directors or officers duly authorised.
- 135. The Secretary shall (a), if an individual, ordinarily reside in Hong Kong, and (b), if a body <sup>Re</sup> corporate, have its registered office or a place of business in Hong Kong.
- 136. A provision of the Companies Ordinance or of these Articles requiring or authorising 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.

# MANAGEMENT – MISCELLANEOUS

137. (a) (i) The Board shall provide for the safe custody of the seal which shall only be used by the authority of the Board or of a committee of the Board authorised by the Board on their behalf, and every instrument to which the seal shall be affixed shall be signed by a Director and shall be countersigned by the Secretary or by a second Director or by some other person appointed by the Board for the purpose. Provided that the Board may either generally or in any particular case or cases resolve (subject to such restrictions as to the manner in which the seal may be affixed as the Board may determine) that such signatures or any of them may be

Appointment of Secretary.

Residence.

Same person not to act in two capacities at once.

Seal.

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 or that such certificates need not be signed by any person. Every instrument executed in manner provided by this Article shall be deemed to be sealed and executed with the authority of the Board previously given.

- (ii) Notwithstanding Article 137(a)(i), the Company may execute a document as a deed in any other manner as may be permitted by law.
- (b) The Company may have an official seal for use for sealing certificates for shares or other securities issued by the Company as permitted by Section 126 of the Companies Ordinance (and no signature of any Director, officer or other person and no mechanical reproduction thereof shall be required on any such certificates or other document and any such certificates or other document to which such official seal is affixed shall be valid and deemed to have been sealed and executed with the authority of the Board notwithstanding the absence of any such signature or mechanical reproduction as aforesaid) and an official seal for use abroad under the provisions of the Companies Ordinance where and as the Board shall determine, and the Company may by writing under the seal appoint any agents or agent, committees or committee abroad to be the duly authorised agents of the Company for the purpose of affixing and using such official seal and they may impose such restrictions on the use thereof in accordance with the Companies Ordinance and as may otherwise be thought fit. Wherever in these Articles reference is made to the seal, the reference shall, when and so far as may be applicable, be deemed to include any such official seal as aforesaid.
- 138. All cheques, promissory notes, drafts, bills of exchange and other negotiable 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 Board shall from time to time by resolution determine. The Company's banking account shall be kept with such banker or bankers as the Board shall from time to time determine.
- 139. (a) The Board may from time to time, and at any time, by power of attorney under the common seal or executed as a deed, appoint any company, firm or person, or any fluctuating body of persons, whether nominated directly or indirectly by the Board 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 Board under these Articles) and for such period and subject to such conditions as it 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 Board may think fit, and may also authorise any such attorney to sub-delegate all or any of the powers authorities and discretions vested in him.
  - (b) The Company may, by writing under its common seal or executed as a deed, empower any person, either generally or in respect of any specified matter, as its attorney, to execute deeds and instruments on its behalf and to enter into contracts and sign the same on its behalf in any place not situate within Hong Kong, and every deed executed by such attorney on behalf of the Company and under his seal or executed as a deed shall bind the Company and have the same effect as if it were under the common seal or executed as a deed of the Company.
- 140. The Board may establish any committees, local boards or agencies for managing any of the Local boards. affairs of the Company, either in Hong Kong or elsewhere, and may appoint any persons to be

Execution of deeds without seal.

Official seal.

Cheques and banking arrangements.

Power to appoint attorney.

Execution of deeds by attorney.

members of such committees, local boards or agencies and may fix their remuneration, and may delegate to any committee, local board, or agent any of the powers, authorities and discretions vested in the Board (other than its powers to make calls and forfeit shares), with power to sub-delegate, and may authorise the members of any local board, 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 Board may think fit, and the Board 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.

141. The Board may establish and maintain or procure the establishment and maintenance of any contributory or non-contributory pension or superannuation funds 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 of any such other company as aforesaid, and who hold 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 Board 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 Board may do 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.

#### **CAPITALISATION OF RESERVES**

- 142. (a) The Company in general meeting may upon the recommendation of the Directors resolve that it is desirable to capitalise any part of the amount for the time being standing to the credit of any of the Company's reserve accounts or to the credit of the 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) and accordingly that such sums be set free for distribution amongst the members holding ordinary shares in proportion to the number of ordinary shares (whether or not fully paid) held by them respectively on condition that the same be not paid in cash but be applied either in or towards paying up any amounts for the time being unpaid on any shares held by such members respectively or paying up in full unissued shares or debentures of the Company to be allotted and distributed credited as fully paid up to and amongst such members in the proportions aforesaid, or partly in the one way and partly in the other.
  - (b) Whenever such a resolution as aforesaid shall have been passed the Board shall make all appropriations and applications of the undivided profits resolved to be capitalised thereby, and all allotments and issues of fully paid up shares or debentures, if any, and generally shall do all acts and things required to give effect thereto, with full power to the Board to make such provision by the issue of fractional certificates or by payment in cash or otherwise (including provision for the benefit of fractional entitlements to accrue to the Company rather than to the members concerned) as they think fit for the case of shares or debentures becoming distributable in fractions, and also to authorise any

Pension funds, donations, etc.

Power to capitalise.

person to enter on behalf of all members entitled thereto into an agreement with the Company providing for the allotment to them respectively, credited as fully paid up, of any further shares or debentures to which they may be entitled upon such capitalisation, or, as the case may require, for the payment up by the Company on their behalf, by the application thereto of their respective proportions of the profits resolved to be capitalised, 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 such members.

#### SUBSCRIPTION RIGHTS RESERVE

- 143. The following provisions shall have effect to the extent that they are not prohibited by and are Rights Reserve in compliance with the Companies Ordinance:
  - (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 Rights Reserve") the amount of which shall at no time be less than the sum which for the time being would be required to be capitalised 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 Rights Reserve in paying up such additional shares in full as and when the same are allotted;
    - (ii) the Subscription Rights 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 represented thereby (or as the case may be, the relevant portion thereof in the event of a partial 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:-
      - (aa) 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

(bb) 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 Rights Reserve as is required to pay up in full such additional nominal amount of shares shall be capitalised and applied in paying up in full such additional nominal amount of shares which shall forthwith be allotted and credited as fully paid to the exercising warrantholders;

- (iv) if upon the exercise of the subscription rights represented by any warrant the amount standing to the credit of the Subscription Rights 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 Board 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 distributions 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 therefor and other matters in relation thereto as the Board 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 Rights 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 as to whether or not the Subscription Rights 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 Rights 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 shares required to be allotted to an exercising warrantholder credited as fully paid and as to any other matter concerning the Subscription Rights Reserve shall (in the absence of manifest error) be conclusive and binding upon the Company and all warrantholders.

#### **DIVIDENDS AND RESERVES**

- 144. The Company in general meeting may declare dividends in any currency, but no dividends shall exceed the amount recommended by the Board.
- 145. (a) The Board may from time to time pay to the members such interim dividends as appear to the Board to be justified by the profits of the Company, and in particular (but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing) if at any time the share capital of the Company is divided into different classes, the Board 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 and provided that the Board acts bona fide the Board shall not incur any responsibility to the holders of shares conferring any preference for any damage that they may suffer by reason of the payment of an interim dividend on any shares having deferred or non-preferential rights.
  - (b) The Board may also pay half-yearly or at other suitable intervals to be settled by it any dividend which may be payable at a fixed rate if the Board is of the opinion that the profits justify the payment.
- Provisions as to 146. (a) No dividend shall be payable except out of the profits of the Company. No dividend dividends shall carry interest.
  - (b) For so long as any share issued under any share incentive scheme for employees remains subject to restrictions on dividends, voting and transfer imposed thereby, but without prejudice to the entitlement of the holder of such share to participate in any distribution on capitalization of reserves under Article 142, no dividend whether payable in cash or in specie or by way of allotment of fully paid shares under Article 148 hereof shall be declared or paid on such share.
- 147. Whenever the Board or the Company in general meeting have resolved that a dividend be paid or declared, the Board 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 securities of the Company or any other company, or in any one or more of such ways, and where any difficulty arises in regard to the distribution the Board may settle the same as it thinks 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 and such specific assets in trustees as may seem expedient to the Board and may appoint any person to sign any requisite instruments of transfer and other documents on behalf of the persons entitled to the dividend, and such appointment shall be effective. Where requisite, a contract shall be filed in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Ordinance, and the Board may appoint any person to sign such contract on behalf of the persons entitled to the dividend, and such appointment shall be effective.
- Scrip dividends. 148. (a) Whenever the Board or the Company in general meeting have resolved that a dividend be paid or declared on the share capital of the Company, the Board may further resolve:-
  - That such dividend be satisfied wholly or in part in the form of an allotment of (i) shares credited as fully paid provided that the shareholders entitled thereto will be

Power to declare dividends.

Board's power to pay interim dividends.

Dividend in specie.

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:-

- (aa) the basis of any such allotment shall be determined by the Board;
- (bb) the Board, after determining the basis of allotment, shall give not less than two weeks' notice in writing to the holders of the relevant shares 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;
- (cc) the right of election may be exercised in whole or in part;
- (dd) 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 satisfaction thereof shares shall be allotted credited as fully paid to the holders of the non-elected shares on the basis of allotment determined as aforesaid and for such purpose the Board shall capitalise and apply out of any part of the undivided profits of the Company (including any special account) as the Board may determine, such sum as may be required to pay up in full the appropriate number of shares for allotment and distribution to and amongst the holders of the non-elected shares on such basis; or
- (ii) That the shareholders entitled to such dividend 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 Board may think fit. In such case, the following provisions shall apply:-
  - (aa) the basis of any such allotment shall be determined by the Board;
  - (bb) the Board, after determining the basis of allotment, shall give not less than two weeks' notice in writing to the holders of the relevant shares 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;
  - (cc) the right of election may be exercised in whole or in part;
  - (dd) the dividend (or that part of the dividend in respect of which a right of election has been accorded) shall not be payable in cash on shares in respect whereof the share election has been duly exercised ("the elected shares") and in lieu thereof shares shall be allotted credited as fully paid to the holders of the elected shares on the basis of allotment determined as aforesaid and for such purpose the Board shall capitalise and apply out of any part of the undivided profits of the Company (including any special account) as the Board may determine, such sum as may be required to pay up in full the appropriate number of shares for allotment and distribution to and amongst the holders of the elected shares on such basis.

- (b) The shares allotted pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (a) shall rank pari (i) passu in all respects with the shares of the same class (if any) then in issue save only as regards participation in the relevant dividend.
  - (ii) The Directors may do all acts and things considered necessary or expedient to give effect to any capitalisation pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (a), with full power to the Board to make such provisions as they thinks 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 Board may authorise any person to enter into, on behalf of all members interested, an agreement with the Company providing for such capitalisation and matters incidental thereto and any agreement made pursuant to such authority shall be effective and binding on all concerned.
- (c) The Company may upon the recommendation of the Board by special resolution resolve in respect of any particular dividend of the Company that notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this Articles a dividend may be satisfied wholly in the form of an allotment of shares credited as fully paid without offering any right to shareholders to elect to receive such dividend in cash in lieu of such allotment.
- The Board may on any occasion determine that an allotment of shares under paragraph (d) (a)(i) of this Article or a right of election to receive an allotment of shares under paragraph (a)(ii) of this Article shall not be made or made available to any shareholders with registered addresses in any territory where in the absence of a registration statement or other special formalities the allotment of shares or the circulation of an offer of such right of election would or might be unlawful, and in such event the provisions aforesaid shall be read and construed subject to such determination.
- Reserves 149. The Board may, before recommending any dividend, set aside out of the profits of the Company such sums as it thinks fit as a reserve or reserves which shall, at the discretion of the Board, be applicable for meeting claims on or liabilities of the Company or contingencies or for paying off any loan capital or for equalising dividends or for any other purpose to which the profits of the Company may be properly 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 of the Company) as the Board 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 Board may also without placing the same to reserve carry forward any profits which it may think prudent not to divide.
- 150. Subject to the rights of persons, if any, entitled to shares with special rights as to dividend, all dividends shall be declared and paid according to the amounts paid or credited as paid up on the shares in respect whereof the dividend is paid, but no amount paid up or credited as paid up on a share in advance of calls shall be treated for the purposes of this Article as paid up on the share. All dividends shall be apportioned and paid proportionately to the amounts paid or credited as paid up 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 shares shall rank for dividend accordingly.

Dividends to be paid in proportion to paid up capital.

- 151. (a) The Board 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.
  - (b) The Board may deduct from any dividend or bonus 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 relation to the shares of the Company.
- 152. 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 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.
- 153. A transfer of shares shall not pass the right to any dividend or bonus declared thereon before the registration of the transfer.
- 154. If two or more persons are registered as joint holders of any share, any one of such persons may give effectual receipts for any dividends, interim dividends or bonuses and other moneys payable in respect of such shares.
- 155. Unless otherwise directed by the Board, any dividend or bonus may be paid by cheque or warrant sent through the post to the registered address of the member entitled, or, in case of joint holders, to the registered address of that one whose name stands first in the register in respect of the joint holding or to such person and to such address as the holder or joint holders may in writing direct. Every cheque or warrant so sent shall be sent at the risk of the holder or joint holder, as the case may be, and made payable to the order of the person to whom it is sent, and the payment of any such cheque or warrant shall operate as a good discharge to the Company in respect of the dividend and/or bonus represented thereby, notwithstanding that it may subsequently appear that the same has been stolen, or that any endorsement thereon has been forged.
- 156. All dividends or bonuses unclaimed for one year after having been declared may be invested or otherwise made use of by the Board for the benefit of the Company until claimed and the Company shall not be constituted a trustee in respect thereof for any profit or benefit derived therefrom. All dividends or bonuses unclaimed for six years after having been declared may be forfeited by the Board and shall revert to the Company.
- 157. Any resolution declaring a dividend on shares of any class, whether a resolution of the Company in general meeting or a resolution of the Board, may specify that the same shall be payable or distributable to the persons registered as the holders of such shares on a particular date or at a point of time on a particular date, notwithstanding that it may be a date prior to that on which the resolution is passed, and thereupon the dividend shall be payable or distributable to them in accordance with their respective holdings so registered, but without prejudice to the rights inter se in respect of such dividend of transferors and transferees of any such shares. The provisions of this Article shall mutatis mutandis apply to bonuses, capitalisation issue, distributions of realised capital profits or offers or grants made by the Company to the members.
- 158. Without prejudice to the rights of the Company under Article 156, the Company may cease sending such cheques for dividend entitlements or dividend warrants by post if such cheques or warrants have been left uncashed on two consecutive occasions. However, the Company may

Company may cease sending dividend warrants. exercise the power to cease sending cheques for dividend entitlements or dividend warrants after the first occasion on which such a cheque or warrant is returned undelivered.

159. The Company shall have the power to sell, in such manner as the Board thinks fit, any shares of a member who is untraceable, but no such sale shall be made unless:-

Company may sell shares of untraceable members.

- (i) all cheques or warrants, being not less than three in total number, for any sum payable in cash to the holder of such shares in respect of them sent during the relevant period in the manner authorised by these Articles have remained uncashed;
- (ii) so far as it is aware at the end of the relevant period, the Company has not at any time during the relevant period received any indication of the existence of the member who is the holder of such shares or of a person entitled to such shares by death, bankruptcy or operation of law; and
- (iii) the Company has caused an advertisement to be inserted in English in an English language newspaper and in Chinese in a Chinese language newspaper giving notice of its intention to sell such shares and has notified The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited of such intention and a period of three months has elapsed since the date of such advertisement.

For the purpose of the foregoing, "relevant period" means the period commencing twelve years before the date of publication of the advertisement referred to in paragraph (iii) of this Article and ending at the expiry of the period referred to in that paragraph.

To give effect to any such sale the Board may authorise any person to transfer the said shares and 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 money 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 will 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 money 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.

# ACCOUNTS

- 160. The Directors shall cause true accounts to be kept of the sums of money received and expended by the Company, and the matters in respect of which such receipt and expenditure take place, and of the property, assets, credits and liabilities of the Company and of all other matters required by the Companies Ordinance or necessary to give a true and fair view of the Company's affairs and to explain its transactions.
- 161. The books of account shall be kept at the registered office or at such other place or places as Where accounts the Board thinks fit and shall always be open to the inspection of the Directors.
- 162. The Board shall from time to time determine whether and to what extent, at what times and places and under what conditions or regulations, the accounts and books of the Company, or

Accounts to be kept.

to be kept.

Inspection by members

any of them, shall be open to the inspection of the 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 the Companies Ordinance or authorised by the Directors or by the Company in general meeting.

163. (a) The Board shall from time to time in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Ordinance cause to be prepared and laid before the Company at its annual general meeting the relevant financial documents.

Relevant financial documents and summary financial report.

- (b) Subject to paragraph (c) of this Article, the Company shall in accordance with the Companies Ordinance and other applicable laws, rules and regulations, deliver or send to every member of, and every holder of debentures of, the Company and to every Entitled Person a copy of the relevant financial documents of the Company or a copy of the summary financial report in place of a copy of the relevant financial documents from which the report is derived, not less than twenty-one days before the date of the general meeting of the Company concerned (or such other time as is permitted under the Companies Ordinance and other applicable laws, rules and regulations).
- (c) Where any Entitled Person has, in accordance with the Companies Ordinance and other applicable laws, rules and regulations, agreed or is deemed to have agreed to his having access to the relevant financial documents and/or the summary financial report on the Company's computer network as mentioned in Article 168(v) or, to the extent permitted by, and in accordance with the Companies Ordinance and other applicable laws, rules and regulations, in any other manner (including any other form of electronic communication) instead of being sent the documents or report, as the case may be (an "assenting person"), the publication or making available by the Company, in accordance with the Companies Ordinance and other applicable laws, rules and regulations, on the Company's computer network referred to above of the relevant financial documents and/or the summary financial report throughout the period beginning not less than twenty-one days before the date of the general meeting of the Company concerned and ending on such date in accordance with the Companies Ordinance and other applicable laws, rules and regulations (or such other period or time as is permitted under the Companies Ordinance and other applicable laws, rules and regulations) or in such other manner, shall be treated as having sent of copy of the reporting documents or a copy of the summary financial report to an assenting person in satisfaction of the Company's obligations under paragraph (b) of this Article.

# **AUDITORS**

- Auditors shall be appointed and their duties regulated in accordance with the provisions of the 164. Companies Ordinance.
- Subject as otherwise provided by the Companies Ordinance, the remuneration of the Auditors 165. shall be fixed by the Company in general meeting.
- 166. Every statement of accounts, audited by the Company's Auditors and presented by the Board at an annual general meeting, shall after approval at such meeting, be conclusive except as regards any error discovered therein within three months of the approval thereof. Whenever any such error is discovered within that period, it shall forthwith be corrected, and the statement of accounts amended in respect of the error shall be conclusive.

Auditors.

Remuneration of Auditors.

Where accounts to be deemed finally settled.

#### **NOTICES**

- Address of 167. Every Entitled Person shall register with the Company an address either in Hong Kong or shareholders elsewhere to which notices can be sent and if any member shall fail so to do, notice may be given to such member by sending the same in any of the manners hereafter mentioned to his last known place of business or residence, or if there be none, by posting the same on the website of the Company or any other electronic means. In the case of joint holders of a share, all notices shall be given to that one of the joint holders whose name stands first in the register and notice so given shall be sufficient notice to all the joint holders.
- 168. Any notice or document (including any "corporate communication" as defined in the Listing Rules), whether or not to be given or issued under the Companies Ordinance, other applicable laws, rules and regulations or these presents from the Company, may be served or delivered by the Company upon any Entitled Person:

and service of notices to joint holders.

Service of notices.

- (i) personally;
- (ii) by sending it through the post in a prepaid envelope or wrapper addressed to such person at his registered place of address;
- (iii) by advertisement in English in at least one English language newspaper and in Chinese in at least one Chinese language newspaper being in such case a newspaper published daily and circulating generally in Hong Kong and specified or permitted for this purpose by the Companies Ordinance and other applicable laws, rules and regulations, and for such period as the Board shall think fit to the extent permitted by, and in accordance with the Companies Ordinance and other applicable laws, rules and regulations;
- (iv) by sending or transmitting it as an electronic communication to such person at any telex or facsimile transmission number or electronic number or electronic address or computer network or website supplied by him to the Company for the giving of notice or document from the Company to him to the extent permitted by, and in accordance with the Companies Ordinance and other applicable laws, rules and regulations;
- (v) by publishing it on the Company's computer network and giving to such person a notice in accordance with the Companies Ordinance, other applicable laws, rules and regulations stating that the notice or other document is available there (a "notice of publication") to the extent permitted by, and in accordance with the Companies Ordinance and other applicable laws, rules and regulations. The notice of publication may be given to such person by any of the means set out in paragraphs (i) to (vi) of this Article: or
- (vi) by sending or otherwise making available to such person through such means to the extent permitted by, and in accordance with, the Companies Ordinance, the Listing Rules and other applicable laws, rules and regulations.
- 169. (a) Any notice or other document (including any corporate communication as defined in the Listing Rules) given or issued by or on behalf of the Company:-

When notice deemed to be served.

(i) if served or delivered in person, shall be deemed to have been served or delivered at the time of personal service or delivery, and in proving such service or delivery, a certificate in writing signed by the Secretary (or other officer of the Company or such other person appointed by the Board) that the notice or document was so

served or delivered shall be conclusive evidence thereof;

- (ii) if served or delivered by post, shall be deemed to have been served or delivered on the day following that on which the envelope or wrapper containing the same is put into a post box, and in proving such service or delivery, it shall be sufficient to prove that the envelope or wrapper containing the notice or document was properly prepaid, addressed and put into such post box. A certificate in writing signed by the Secretary (or such other officer of the Company or such other person appointed by the Board) that the envelope or wrapper containing the notice or other document was so prepaid, addressed and put into the post shall be conclusive evidence thereof;
- (iii) if sent or transmitted as an electronic communication in accordance with Article 168(iv) or through such means in accordance with Article 168(vi), shall be deemed to have been served or delivered at the time of the relevant despatch or transmission. A notice or document published in the Company's computer network in accordance with Article 168(v), shall be deemed to have been served or delivered on the day following that on which a notice of publication is sent to the Entitled Person. In proving such service or delivery, a certificate in writing signed by the Secretary (or such other officer of the Company or such other person appointed by the Board) as to the fact and time of such service, delivery, despatch, transmission or publication shall be conclusive evidence provided that no notification that the electronic communication has not reached its recipient has been received by the sender, except that any failure in transmission beyond the sender's control shall not invalidate the effectiveness of the notice or document being served; and
- (iv) if served by advertisement in a newspaper in accordance with Article 168(iii), shall be deemed to have been served on the day on which such notice or document is first published.
- (b) Subject to the Companies Ordinance and other applicable laws, rules and regulations, any notice or other document (including but not limited to the documents referred to in Article 163 and corporate communication as defined in the Listing Rules) may be given by the Company in the English language only, in the Chinese language only or in both. Where a person has in accordance with the Companies Ordinance and other applicable laws, rules and regulations consented to receive notices and other documents (including but not limited to the documents referred to in Article 163 and any corporate communication as defined in the Listing Rules) from the Company in the English language only or the Chinese language only but not both, it shall be sufficient for the Company to serve on or deliver to him any such notice or document in such language only in accordance with these presents unless and until there is a notice of revocation or amendment of such consent given or deemed to have been given by such person to the Company in accordance with the Companies Ordinance and other applicable laws, rules and regulations which shall have effect in respect of any notice or document to be served on or delivered to such person subsequent to the giving of such notice of revocation or amendment.
- 170. A notice or document may be given by or on behalf of the Company to the person(s) entitled to a share in consequence of death, mental disorder or bankruptcy of a member in such manner as provided in Article 168 in which the same might have been given if the death, mental disorder or bankruptcy had not occurred.

Choice of

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- 171. Any person who by operation of law, transfer or other means whatsoever shall become entitled to any share shall be bound by every notice in respect of such share which previously to his name and address being entered on the register shall be duly given to the person from whom he derives his title to such share.
- 172. Any notice or document delivered or sent to any member in such manner as provided in Article 168, shall notwithstanding that such member be then deceased and whether or not the Company has notice of his decease 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 these presents be deemed a sufficient service of such notice or document on his personal representatives and all persons (if any) jointly interested with him in any such shares.
- 173. The signature to any notice to be given by the Company may be written, printed or made electronically.

# **INFORMATION**

174. No member (not being a Director) 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 be in the nature of a trade secret, mystery of trade or secret process which may relate to the conduct of the business of the Company and which in the opinion of the Board it will be inexpedient in the interests of the members of the Company to communicate to the public.

### DOCUMENTS

- 175. (a) Any Director or the Secretary or any person appointed by the Board for the purpose shall have power to authenticate any documents affecting the constitution of the Company and any resolutions passed by the Company or the Board or any committee of the Board and any books, records, documents and accounts, relating to the business of the Company, and to certify copies thereof or extracts therefrom as true copies or extracts; and, where any books, records, documents and accounts are elsewhere than at the registered office, the local manager or other officer of the Company having the custody thereof shall be deemed to be a person appointed by the Board as aforesaid. A document purporting to be a copy of a resolution, or an extract from the minutes of a meeting, of the Company or of the Board or any committee of the Board which is certified as aforesaid shall be conclusive evidence in favour of all persons dealing with the Company upon the faith thereof that such resolution has been duly passed or, as the case may be, that such minutes or extract is a true and accurate record of proceedings at a duly constituted meeting.
  - Destruction of (b) The Company shall be entitled to destroy the following documents at the (i) documents following times:
    - registered instruments of transfer: at any time after the expiration of seven (aa) years from the date of registration thereof;
    - (bb) allotment letters: at any time after the expiration of seven years from the date of issue thereof:

Transferee to be bound by prior notices.

Notice valid through Member deceased.

How notice to be signed.

Member not entitled to secret information.

Authentication of documents.

- (cc) copies of powers of attorney, grants of probate and letters of administration: at any time after the expiration of two years after the account to which the relevant power of attorney, grant of probate or letters of administration related has been closed;
- (dd) dividend mandates and notifications of change of address: at any time after the expiration of two years from the date of recording thereof; and
- (ee) cancelled share certificates: at any time after the expiration of one year from the date of the cancellation thereof.
- (ii) It shall conclusively be presumed in favour of the Company:-
  - (aa) that every entry in the register purporting to be made on the basis of any such documents so destroyed was duly and properly made; and
  - (bb) that every such document so destroyed was valid and effective and had been duly and properly registered, cancelled, or recorded in the books or records of the Company, as the case may be.
- (iii) (aa) The provisions aforesaid shall apply only to the destruction of a document in good faith and in accordance with the Companies Ordinance and without notice of any claim (regardless of the parties thereto) to which the document might be relevant;
  - (bb) Nothing herein contained 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 other circumstances which would not attach to the Company in the absence of this Articles; and
  - (cc) References herein to the destruction of any document include references to the disposal thereof in any manner.

# WINDING UP

- 176. If the Company shall be wound up (whether the liquidation is voluntary, under supervision or by the court) the liquidator may with the authority of a special resolution, divide among the members in specie or kind the whole or any part of the assets of the Company and whether or not the assets shall consist of property of one kind or shall consist of properties of different kinds, and may for such purpose set such value as he deems fair upon any one or more class or classes of property 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 authority, vest any part of the assets in trustees upon such trusts for the benefit of members as the liquidator with the like authority shall think fit, and the liquidation of the Company may be closed and the Company dissolved, but so that no contributory shall be compelled to accept any shares or other assets in respect of which there is a liability.
- 177. In the event of a winding-up of the Company in Hong Kong, every member of the Company shall be bound, within fourteen 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

Division of assets in liquidation.

Service of process.

occupation upon whom all summonses, notices, process, orders 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 in an English language newspaper in English and a Chinese language newspaper in Chinese as he shall deem appropriate 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**

- Indemnity. 178. (a) Every Director, manager, Secretary or other officer and every Auditor of the Company shall be entitled to be indemnified out of the assets of the Company against all losses or liabilities (including any such liability as is mentioned in Section 469 of the Companies Ordinance) which he may sustain or incur in or about the execution of the duties of his office or otherwise in relation thereto, and no Director, manager, Secretary or other officer or Auditor shall be liable for any loss, damage or misfortune which may happen to or be incurred by the Company in the execution of the duties of his office or in relation thereto. But this Article shall only have effect in so far as its provisions are not avoided by the said Section.
  - (b) Subject to Section 468 of the Companies Ordinance, if any Director or other person shall become personally liable for the payment of any sum primarily due from the Company, the Board 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 or person so becoming liable as aforesaid from any loss in respect of such liability.
- 179. The Company shall have power to purchase and maintain for any Director, or other officer or Auditors of the Company:-
  - (a) insurance against any liability to the Company, a related company or any other party in respect of any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust (save for fraud) of which he may be guilty in relation to the Company or a related company; and
  - (b) insurance against any liability incurred by him in defending any proceedings, whether civil or criminal, taken against him for any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust (including fraud) of which he may be guilty in relation to the Company or a related company.

For the purpose of this Article 179, "related company" means any company which is the Company's subsidiary or holding company or a subsidiary of the Company's holding company.

#### CONFLICT WITH COMPANIES ORDINANCE

180. (a) Notwithstanding anything contained in these Articles, if the Companies Ordinance prohibits an act being done, the act shall not be done.

Conflict with Companies Ordinance.

Nothing contained in these Articles prevents an act being done that the Companies (b)

Liability insurance

Ordinance requires to be done.

(c) If any provision of these Articles is or becomes inconsistent with any provision of the Companies Ordinance, these Articles are deemed not to contain that provision to the extent of the inconsistency and the extent it does not breach any provision of the Companies Ordinance.

We, the several persons, whose names, addresses and descriptions are hereto subscribed, are desirous of being formed into a Company, and we respectively agree to take the number of shares in the capital of the Company set opposite to our respective names:-

Names, Addresses and Descriptions of Subscribers	Number of Shares taken by each subscriber
For and on behalf of FAIRWEATHER (NOMINEES) LIMITED	
(Sd.) Lo Tai On	One
Lo Tai OnDirector26th Floor, Jardine House,11 Connaught Place,1Hong Kong.1Limited Company1	
For and on behalf of FAIRWIND NOMINEES LOMITED	
(Sd.) Lo Tai On	
Lo Tai On Director 26th Floor, Jardine House, 1 Connaught Place, Hong Kong. Limited Company	One
Total Number of Shares Taken	Two

Dated the 3rd day of January, 1996.

WITNESS to the above signatures:-

(Sd.) PETER Y. W. LEE Solicitor 26th Floor, Jardine House, 1 Connaught Place, Hong Kong