

# THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED 香港上海大酒店有限公司

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability 於香港註冊成立的有限公司) (Stock Code 股份代號: 45)

# GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE AND REPURCHASE SHARES

## **RE-ELECTION OF RETIRING DIRECTORS**

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

發行及購回股份的一般性授權

重選行將屆滿退任的董事

股東週年大會通告

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The notice convening the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held in the Salisbury Room, The Peninsula, Salisbury Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong on Friday, 11 May 2007 at 12:00 noon is set out on pages 9 to 11 of this document. Shareholders are advised to read the notice and to complete and return the attached form of proxy in accordance with the instructions printed thereon as soon as possible and in any event so that it arrives not less than 24 hours before the time of the Meeting.

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13 April 2007 2007年4月13日

#### Directors

*Chairman* The Hon. Sir Michael Kadoorie

*Deputy Chairman* Ian Duncan Boyce

Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer Clement King Man Kwok

*Chief Financial Officer* Charles Mark Broadley

*Chief Operating Officer* Peter Camille Borer

Non-Executive Directors Ronald James McAulay William Elkin Mocatta Pierre Roger Boppe John Andrew Harry Leigh Nicholas Timothy James Colfer

*Independent Non-Executive Directors* Dr. The Hon. Sir David Kwok Po Li Robert Chee Siong Ng Robert Warren Miller Patrick Blackwell Paul

# **Registered** Office

8th Floor, St. George's Building 2 Ice House Street Central, Hong Kong To the Shareholders

Dear Sir or Madam,

# GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE AND REPURCHASE SHARES RE-ELECTION OF RETIRING DIRECTORS NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### Introduction

The purpose of this document is to provide you with information on the proposed resolutions relating to (i) the renewal of the general mandates to issue and repurchase shares and (ii) the re-election of retiring Directors and to give you the notice and the proxy form for the annual general meeting to be held on 11 May 2007 (the "Annual General Meeting").

### General mandate to issue and repurchase shares

At the annual general meeting of the Company held on 18 May 2006, ordinary resolutions were passed giving general mandates to directors (i) to allot, issue and otherwise deal with shares equal to 20% of the shares of the Company in issue at 18 May 2006, plus the aggregate number of shares repurchased by the Company and (ii) to repurchase shares of the Company on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") up to 10% of the issued share capital of the Company as at 18 May 2006.

Under the terms of the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 32) of the Laws of Hong Kong (the "Companies Ordinance") and the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "Listing Rules"), these general mandates will lapse at the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting for 2007, unless renewed at that Meeting. Resolutions will be proposed at the 2007 Annual General Meeting to renew the mandates to allot or issue new shares and repurchase shares. The Explanatory Statement required by the Listing Rules to be sent to shareholders in connection with the proposed general mandate for the repurchase of shares is set out in Appendix I to this document.

#### **Re-election of retiring directors**

In accordance with the articles of association of the Company, The Hon. Sir Michael Kadoorie, Mr. Ian Duncan Boyce, Mr. Robert Chee Siong Ng and Mr. Patrick Blackwell Paul will retire by rotation. In addition, Mr. Peter Camille Borer who was re-elected at the Company's 2004 annual general meeting, will retire voluntarily at the Annual General Meeting in accordance with the Company's articles of association. All the retiring Directors being eligible, have agreed to offer themselves for re-election.

Biographical details of the Directors proposed to be re-elected at the Annual General Meeting are set out in Appendix II to this document.

#### Notice of the annual general meeting

Notice of the Annual General Meeting to be held on 11 May 2007 is set out in this document. A form of proxy for use at the Annual General Meeting is attached. Whether or not you intend to attend the Annual General Meeting, you are requested to complete the form of proxy and return it to the Company's registrars, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, Hopewell Centre, Rooms 1806-1807, 18th Floor, 183 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong as soon as possible, but in any case so as to arrive no later than 24 hours before the time of the Meeting. Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude a shareholder from attending and voting in person at the Annual General Meeting and at any adjournment thereof, should he or she so wish.

# Procedures for voting by poll at general meetings

As required by the Listing Rules, the procedures for voting by poll at general meetings of the Company are set out in Appendix III to this document.

#### Recommendation

The Directors consider that the proposed general mandates to issue shares of the Company and to repurchase shares of the Company, and to re-elect retiring Directors are in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders and recommend that shareholders vote in favour of the resolutions.

Yours faithfully,

The Hon. Sir Michael Kadoorie Chairman 13 April 2007

## **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

The following is the Explanatory Statement required to be sent to shareholders under the Listing Rules in connection with the proposed general mandate for repurchase of shares and also constitutes the Memorandum required under Section 49BA of the Companies Ordinance. References in this Appendix to "Shares" mean ordinary share(s) of HK\$0.50 each in the capital of the Company:

- (a) It is proposed that up to 10% of the Shares of HK\$0.50 each of the Company in issue at the date of passing of the resolution to approve the general mandate may be repurchased. As at 3 April 2007, the latest practicable date for determining such figures, the number of Shares of the Company in issue was 1,428,518,583. On the basis of such figures (and assuming no further Shares are repurchased and issued after 3 April 2007 and up to the date of passing such resolution) the Directors would be authorised to repurchase Shares of the Company up to a limit of 142,851,858 Shares.
- (b) The Directors believe that the ability to repurchase Shares is in the interests of the Company and its shareholders. Repurchases may, depending on the circumstances, result in an increase in net assets and/ or earnings per share. The Directors are seeking the grant of a general mandate to repurchase Shares to give the Company the flexibility to do so if and when appropriate. The timing and the number(s), the price and other terms upon which the same are repurchased will be decided by the Directors at the relevant time having regard to the circumstances then pertaining.
- (c) It is envisaged that the funds required for any repurchase would be derived from the distributable profits of the Company being funds legally available for such repurchase in accordance with the Company's articles of association and the laws of Hong Kong.
- (d) There could be an adverse impact on the working capital or gearing position of the Company (as compared with the position disclosed in its most recent published audited accounts) in the event that the proposed Share repurchases were to be carried out in full at any time during the proposed repurchase period. However, the Directors do not propose to exercise the general mandate to such extent as would, in the circumstances, have a material adverse effect on the working capital requirements of the Company or the gearing levels which in the opinion of the Directors are from time to time appropriate for the Company.
- (e) There are no Directors or (to the best of the knowledge of the Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries) any associates (as defined in the Listing Rules) of Directors of the Company who have a present intention, in the event that the general mandate is granted by shareholders, to sell Shares to the Company.
- (f) The Directors have undertaken to the Stock Exchange to exercise the power of the Company to make purchases pursuant to the general mandate in accordance with the Listing Rules and the laws of Hong Kong.

- (g) The Directors are not aware of any consequences which would arise under the Hong Kong Code on Takeovers and Mergers as a consequence of any purchases pursuant to the general mandate. As at 3 April 2007, 54.84% of the issued share capital of the Company was held by controlling shareholders and, assuming full exercise of the repurchase mandate given to the Directors, 60.93% will be held by such shareholders.
- (h) No connected persons (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company have notified the Company of a present intention to sell Shares of the Company to the Company and no such persons have undertaken not to sell any such Shares to the Company in the event that the general mandate is granted by shareholders.
- (i) The highest and lowest prices at which Shares of the Company have traded on the Stock Exchange in each of the previous twelve months are as follows:

	Highest (HK\$)	Lowest (HK\$)
April 2006	9.25	8.80
May 2006	9.85	8.55
June 2006	9.35	8.00
July 2006	9.35	8.50
August 2006	9.45	8.99
September 2006	10.10	9.15
October 2006	11.00	9.85
November 2006	12.40	10.54
December 2006	13.50	11.88
January 2007	14.22	11.88
February 2007	14.00	12.84
March 2007	13.16	11.36

(j) No Shares have been repurchased by the Company during the six months prior to the date of this document.

#### DETAILS OF RETIRING DIRECTORS PROPOSED FOR RE-ELECTION

The following are the particulars of the Directors proposed to be re-elected at the Annual General Meeting to be held on 11 May 2007.

#### The Hon. Sir Michael Kadoorie

The Hon. Sir Michael Kadoorie, aged 65, is a Non-Executive Director and the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Company. He was appointed to the Board in 1964 and elected Chairman in 1985. Sir Michael is a substantial shareholder of the Company and he is the brother-in-law of a fellow director, Mr. Ronald J. McAulay and also a Director of some subsidiaries of the Company. Sir Michael is also chairman of CLP Holdings Limited, a non-executive director of Hutchison Whampoa Limited, a director of Sir Elly Kadoorie & Sons Limited, as well as holding a number of other directorships. In addition, Sir Michael acts as a trustee of a number of leading, local charitable institutions. Except as disclosed above, Sir Michael has not held any directorships in other listed companies in the last three years.

As at 3 April 2007, the latest practicable date, Sir Michael is deemed (by virtue of the Securities and Futures Ordinance) to be interested in 712,485,318 shares of the Company. Of these, 421,897,728 shares were ultimately held by discretionary trusts, of which Sir Michael is one of the beneficiaries and discretionary objects and 290,587,590 shares were ultimately held by a discretionary trust, of which Sir Michael is one of the beneficiaries and the founder. Save as disclosed above, Sir Michael does not have any other relationship with any Director, member of senior management or substantial or controlling shareholder of the Company.

Sir Michael's appointment is subject to retirement by rotation and to re-election at the annual general meetings of the Company in accordance with the articles of association of the Company and his letter of appointment. The Company has no obligation to pay Sir Michael compensation when his appointment terminates.

As a Non-Executive Director, Sir Michael does not have a service contract with the Company but he does have a letter of appointment detailing the terms of his appointment. He receives a Director's fee of HK\$100,000 per annum, as authorised by shareholders at the 2004 annual general meeting and a further fee of HK\$100,000 per annum as a member of the Executive Committee of the Company which is determined by the Board of Directors from time to time pursuant to the power given to it under the articles of association of the Company.

Save as disclosed above, Sir Michael has confirmed that there are no other matters relating to his re-election that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company and there is no other information which is required to be disclosed pursuant to rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules.

#### Ian Duncan Boyce

Mr. Ian Duncan Boyce, aged 62, is a Non-Executive Director and the Chairman of the Finance Committee and the Remuneration Committee, as well as a member of the Audit Committee and the Executive Committee. Mr. Boyce was appointed to the Board in 1999 and elected Deputy Chairman in May 2002; he is also Chairman of two subsidiaries of the Company. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. Mr. Boyce, based in Hong Kong since 1984, was formerly managing director of Schroders Asia and had held executive positions with the S.G. Warburg Group. He is non-executive chairman of Schroder Investment Management (Hong Kong) Limited, a director of CLP Holdings Limited and Tai Ping Carpets International Limited. Mr. Boyce is also the chairman of Sir Elly Kadoorie & Sons Limited overseeing a number of the Kadoorie Family's interests in Hong Kong and overseas and, as such, is associated with a substantial shareholder of the Company. Except as disclosed above, Mr. Boyce has not held any directorships in other listed companies in the last three years.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Boyce does not have any relationship with any Director, member of senior management or substantial or controlling shareholder of the Company. As at 3 April 2007, the latest practicable date, Mr. Boyce had personal interests in 206,432 shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

Mr. Boyce's appointment is subject to retirement by rotation and to re-election at the annual general meetings of the Company in accordance with the articles of association of the Company and his letter of appointment. The Company has no obligation to pay Mr. Boyce compensation when his appointment terminates.

As a Non-Executive Director, Mr. Boyce does not have a service contract with the Company but he does have a letter of appointment detailing the terms of his appointment. He receives a Director's fee of HK\$100,000 per annum, as authorised by shareholders at the 2004 annual general meeting; a fee of HK\$100,000 per annum as a member of the Audit Committee; and a fee of HK\$100,000 per annum as a member of the Company. Both of these fees are determined by the Board of Directors from time to time pursuant to the power given to it under the articles of association of the Company.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Boyce has confirmed that there are no other matters relating to his re-election that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company and there is no other information which is required to be disclosed pursuant to rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules.

## **Robert Chee Siong Ng**

Mr. Robert Chee Siong Ng, aged 54, is an Independent Non-Executive Director and a member of the Audit Committee of the Company. He was appointed to the Board in 1987 and does not hold any other position in the Group. He was called to the English Bar in 1975. He is chairman of Sino Hotels (Holdings) Limited, which owns 3.6% of the Company's issued share capital. He is also chairman of Sino Land Company Limited and its holding company Tsim Sha Tsui Properties Limited. He is a non-executive director of SCMP Group Limited and a director of Yeo Hiap Seng Limited, which is listed in Singapore. Except as disclosed above, Mr. Ng has not held any directorships in other listed companies in the last three years.

Mr. Ng has met the independence guidelines set out in rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules, has submitted to the Exchange a written confirmation concerning his independence from the Company and has also given an annual confirmation of his independence to the Company which considers him to be independent. Although Mr. Ng has served in this capacity for more than nine years, the Directors are of the opinion that Mr. Ng continues to bring relevant experience and knowledge to the Board and that, notwithstanding his long services, he maintains an independent view of the Company's affairs.

Mr. Ng does not have any relationship with any Director, member of senior management or substantial or controlling shareholder of the Company. As at 3 April 2007, the latest practicable date, Mr. Ng had family interests in 121,168 shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

Mr. Ng's appointment is subject to retirement by rotation and to re-election at the annual general meetings of the Company in accordance with the articles of association of the Company and his letter of appointment. The Company has no obligation to pay Mr. Ng compensation when his appointment terminates.

As an Independent Non-Executive Director, Mr. Ng does not have a service contract with the Company but he does have a letter of appointment detailing the terms of his appointment. He receives a Director's fee of HK\$100,000 per annum, as authorised by shareholders at the 2004 annual general meeting and a further fee of HK\$100,000 per annum as a member of the Audit Committee of the Company which is determined by the Board of Directors from time to time pursuant to the power given to it under the articles of association of the Company.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Ng has confirmed that there are no other matters relating to his re-election that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company and there is no other information which is required to be disclosed pursuant to rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules.

## Patrick Blackwell Paul

Mr. Patrick Blackwell Paul, aged 59, is an Independent Non-Executive Director, the Chairman of the Audit Committee and a member of the Remuneration Committee of the Company. He was appointed to the Board in February 2004 and does not hold any other position in the Group. Mr. Paul began his career with Price

Waterhouse in London in 1969. Resident in Hong Kong since 1980, he was chairman and senior partner of PricewaterhouseCoopers in Hong Kong from 1994 until 2001. He is an independent non-executive director of Johnson Electric Holdings Limited, Kingsway International Holdings Limited, Pacific Basin Shipping Limited and a member of the Managing Board of the Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation. His civic commitments include chairing the Supervisory Board of the British Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong. Except as disclosed above, Mr. Paul has not held any directorships in other listed companies in the last three years.

Mr. Paul has met the independence guidelines set out in rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules, has submitted to the Exchange a written confirmation concerning his independence from the Company and has also given an annual confirmation of his independence to the Company which considers him to be independent.

Mr. Paul does not have any relationship with any Director, member of senior management or substantial or controlling shareholder of the Company nor does he have any interest in the shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

Mr. Paul's appointment is subject to retirement by rotation and to re-election at the annual general meetings of the Company in accordance with the articles of association of the Company and his letter of appointment. The Company has no obligation to pay Mr. Paul compensation when his appointment terminates.

As an Independent Non-Executive Director, Mr. Paul does not have a service contract with the Company but he does have a letter of appointment detailing the terms of his appointment. He receives a Director's fee of HK\$100,000 per annum, as authorised by shareholders at the 2004 annual general meeting and a further fee of HK\$100,000 per annum as a member of the Audit Committee of the Company which is determined by the Board of Directors from time to time pursuant to the power given to it under the articles of association of the Company.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Paul has confirmed that there are no other matters relating to his re-election that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company and there is no other information which is required to be disclosed pursuant to rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules.

#### Peter Camille Borer

Mr. Peter Camille Borer, aged 53, was appointed to the Board as an Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer in April 2004 and is also a Director of some subsidiaries of the Company. A graduate of the Lausanne Hotel School, Switzerland, he joined the Group in 1981, enjoying senior roles in the Hong Kong and Bangkok hotel operations, as well as within the corporate office. He was appointed General Manager of The Peninsula Hong Kong in 1994 and took on additional regional responsibility in 1999. Save for his directorship in the Company, Mr. Borer has not held any directorships in other listed companies in the last three years.

Mr. Borer does not have any relationship with any Director, member of senior management or substantial or controlling shareholder of the Company. As at 3 April 2007, the latest practicable date, Mr. Borer had personal interests in 116,566 shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

Mr. Borer has an existing service contract with the Company and is subject to retirement by rotation and to re-election at the annual general meetings of the Company in accordance with the articles of association of the Company. The total amount of his emoluments, inclusive of base salary, various allowances, a guaranteed bonus payment and a discretionary bonus payment depending on the performance of the Company, amounted to approximately HK\$5 million in 2006. Mr. Borer is eligible to join the Company's 1994 Retirement Plan and the Company contributes to the retirement funds a percentage of his base salary. The Company has no obligation to give notice of more than one year or to pay Mr. Borer compensation equivalent to more than one year's emoluments when his appointment terminates. The amount of the emoluments payable to Mr. Borer under his service contract was determined by the Remuneration Committee with reference to his qualifications, experience and market benchmarks.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Borer has confirmed that there are no other matters relating to his re-election that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company and there is no other information which is required to be disclosed pursuant to rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules.

#### PROCEDURES FOR VOTING BY POLL AT GENERAL MEETINGS

The following articles of association of the Company set out the procedures for voting by poll:

- 58. 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 (before or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands) demanded by:
  - (i) the chairman of the meeting; or
  - (ii) not less than three members present in person or by proxy and entitled to vote; or
  - (iii) a member or members present in person or by proxy and representing not less than one-tenth of the total voting rights of all the members having the right to vote at the meeting; or
  - (iv) a member or members present in person 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-tenth of the total sum paid up on all the shares conferring that right.
- 59. A demand for a poll may be withdrawn only with the approval of the meeting. Unless a poll is required a declaration by the chairman of the meeting that a resolution has been carried, or carried unanimously, or carried by a particular majority, or lost, and an entry to that effect in the minute book, shall be conclusive evidence of that fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded for or against such resolution. If a poll is required, it shall be taken in such manner (including the use of ballot or voting papers or tickets) as the chairman of the meeting may direct, and the result of the poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting at which the poll was demanded. The chairman of the meeting may (and if so directed by the meeting shall) appoint scrutineers and may adjourn the meeting to some place, day and time fixed by him for the purpose of declaring the result of the poll.
- 60. 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 casting vote.
- 61. A poll demanded on the choice of a chairman or on a question of adjournment shall be taken forthwith. A poll demanded on any other question shall be taken either immediately or at such subsequent time (not being more than thirty days from the date of the meeting) and place as the chairman may direct. No notice need be given of a poll not taken immediately. The demand for a poll shall not prevent the continuance of the meeting for the transaction of any business other than the question on which the poll has been demanded.

Pursuant to Article 58, the Chairman will demand a poll on each of the resolutions at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting. The results of the poll will be published in the local newspapers and on the Company's and the Stock Exchange's websites on the business day following the Annual General Meeting.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held in the Salisbury Room, The Peninsula, Salisbury Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong, on Friday, 11 May 2007 at 12:00 noon for the following purposes:

- 1. To receive and consider the audited financial statements and the reports of the Directors and Auditors for the year ended 31 December 2006.
- 2. To declare a final dividend.
- 3. To re-elect retiring Directors.
- 4. To re-appoint the Auditors and authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration.

As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, to pass with or without modification the following Resolutions as ordinary resolutions:

- 5. **"THAT:** 
  - (a) subject to paragraph (c), a general mandate be unconditionally granted to the Directors of the Company to exercise during the Relevant Period all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares in the capital of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements, options or warrants which would or might require the exercise of such powers;
  - (b) the mandate in paragraph (a) shall authorise the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements and options which would or might require the exercise of such powers after the end of the Relevant Period;
  - (c) the aggregate number of shares in the capital of the Company allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) by the Directors of the Company pursuant to the mandate in paragraph (a), otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue, or (ii) any option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to officers and/or employees of the Company and/or any of its subsidiaries of shares or rights to acquire shares of the Company, or (iii) any scrip dividend or similar arrangement pursuant to the articles of association of the Company from time to time, shall not exceed 20% of the aggregate number of shares in the capital of the Company in issue at the date of this Resolution and the said mandate shall be limited accordingly; and
  - (d) for the purpose of this Resolution:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earlier of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by law to be held; and
- (iii) the date on which the authority given under this Resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting.

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

# 6. **"THAT:**

- (a) a general mandate be unconditionally granted to the Directors of the Company to exercise during the Relevant Period all the powers of the Company to repurchase or otherwise acquire shares of HK\$0.50 each in the capital of the Company in accordance with all applicable laws and the requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, provided that the aggregate number of shares in the capital of the Company so repurchased or otherwise acquired shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate number of the shares in the capital of the Company in issue at the date of this Resolution; and
- (b) for the purpose of this Resolution:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earlier of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by law to be held; and
- (iii) the date on which the authority given under this Resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting."
- 7. **"THAT,** subject to the passing of Resolutions 5 and 6 set out in the notice of this meeting, the aggregate number of the shares in the capital of the Company which are repurchased or otherwise acquired by the Company pursuant to Resolution 6 shall be added to the aggregate number of the shares in the capital of the Company which may be issued pursuant to Resolution 5."

By Order of the Board

**Christobelle Liao** *Company Secretary* 13 April 2007

#### Notes:

- 1. A member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting convened by the above notice is entitled to appoint not more than two proxies to attend and, on a poll, vote instead of him or her. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- 2. In the case of joint holders, the vote of the senior who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy, shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint holders and for this purpose seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names stand in the register of members in respect of the shares.
- 3. The register of members will be closed from 8 May to 11 May 2007, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.
- 4. To be entitled to receive the final dividend, shareholders must ensure that all transfer documents accompanied by the relevant share certificates are lodged with the Company's registrars, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited of Rooms 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, for registration no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, 7 May 2007.
- 5. Subject to the passing of the necessary resolution at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, the final dividend will be payable on or about 15 June 2007, to shareholders whose names appear on the register of members on 11 May 2007. Shareholders will be given the option to receive their dividend in the form of scrip rather than cash.
- 6. The Directors retiring by rotation are The Hon. Sir Michael Kadoorie, Mr. Ian Duncan Boyce, Mr. Robert Chee Siong Ng and Mr. Patrick Blackwell Paul. In addition, Mr. Peter Camille Borer will retire voluntarily at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting. All of the retiring Directors eligible for re-election, have agreed to put their names forward for re-election. Details of the Directors proposed to be re-elected at the Annual General Meeting are set out in Appendix II of the document to the shareholders dated 13 April 2007.
- 7. Pursuant to Article 58 of the Company's articles of association, the Chairman will demand a poll on each of the resolutions submitted at the Annual General Meeting. The results of the poll will be published in the local newspapers and on the Company's and the Stock Exchange's websites on the business day following the Annual General Meeting.



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# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – PROXY FORM

I/We <sup>(Note 1)</sup>

of <sup>(Note 2)</sup>

being the registered shareholder(s) of \_\_\_\_\_

(Note 3) shares of HK\$0.50 each in

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of

or failing him/her the Chairman of the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held on 11 May 2007 as my/our proxy to attend and, on a poll, vote for me/us and on my/our behalf at the aforementioned Annual General Meeting of the Company and at any adjournment thereof on the resolutions below as follows:

		For (Note 6)	Against (Note 6)
(1)	To receive the audited financial statements and the reports of the Directors and Auditors for the year ended 31 December 2006.		
(2)	To declare a final dividend.		
(3)	(a) To re-elect The Hon. Sir Michael Kadoorie as a Director.		
	(b) To re-elect Mr. Ian Duncan Boyce as a Director.		
	(c) To re-elect Mr. Robert Chee Siong Ng as a Director.		
	(d) To re-elect Mr. Patrick Blackwell Paul as a Director.		
	(e) To re-elect Mr. Peter Camille Borer as a Director.		
(4)	To re-appoint KPMG as Auditors of the Company at a fee to be agreed by the Directors.		
(5)	To grant a general mandate to issue new shares.		
(6)	To grant a general mandate for share repurchase.		
(7)	To add shares repurchased to the general mandate to issue new shares in Resolution No. 5.		

Dated this day of 2007. Signature(s):

(Notes 7 and 8)

Notes

- 1. Full name(s) to be inserted in BLOCK CAPITALS.
- 2. Full address(es) to be inserted in BLOCK CAPITALS.

3. Please insert the number of shares of HK\$0.50 each registered in your name(s). If no number is inserted, this proxy form will be deemed to relate to all the shares of the Company registered in your name(s). If a number is inserted, this form of proxy will be deemed to relate only to that number of shares. 4. A member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint not more than two proxies to attend and, on a poll, vote instead of him or her.

A proxy need not be a member of the Company. If you wish to appoint a proxy, insert the name and address of your proxy in the spaces provided. 5. As a matter of law, you have the right to appoint separate proxies to represent respectively such number of the shares you hold as you may specify in this

proxy form; but the number of proxies so appointed must not exceed two.

6. Please indicate with a " $\checkmark$ " in the appropriate space beside each of the resolutions how you wish the proxy to vote on your behalf. In the absence of such an indication, the proxy will vote for or against the resolution or will abstain at his or her discretion.

This proxy form must be signed by the appointor or his or her attorney, or if the appointor is a corporation must be either under its common seal or signed on its behalf by an attorney or duly authorised officer of the corporation. 7.

8. In the case of joint holders, any one shareholder may sign the proxy form. The vote of the senior who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy, shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint holders and for this purpose seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names stand in the register of members in respect of the joint holding.
To be valid this proxy form and the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed, or a duly certified copy thereof, must be deposited at the Company's registrars, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, Rooms 1806-1807, 18th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183

Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong, at least 24 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting.

10. The Chairman will demand a poll on each of the resolutions submitted at the Annual General Meeting. On a poll, every shareholder present in person or by proxy or (being a corporation) which is represented by proxy shall have one vote for every share held by him/her.

11. Completion and delivery of this proxy form will not preclude you from attending and voting at the meeting if you so wish.