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

 $(Incorporated\ in\ Hong\ Kong\ with\ limited\ liability)$ 

(Stock Code: 45)

# **Notice of Annual General Meeting**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Annual General Meeting of shareholders of The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited (the "Company") will be held at The Peninsula, Salisbury Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong on Monday, 16 May 2011 at 12:00 noon for the following purposes:

- 1. To receive and consider the audited Financial Statements and the Reports of the Directors and independent auditor for the year ended 31 December 2010.
- 2. To declare a final dividend.
- 3. To re-elect retiring Directors.
- 4. To re-appoint the auditor and authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration.

As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without modification the following 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 passing 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; or
- (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 passing 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; or
- (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."
- 8. "THAT the ordinary remuneration of the Independent Non-Executive Directors be fixed at the rate of HK\$250,000 each per annum with effect from 16 May 2011 and the Non-Executive Directors would remain at HK\$200,000 each per annum."

By Order of the Board Christobelle Liao Company Secretary 11 April 2011

#### 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 vote instead of him/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 joint holding.
- 3. In order to be valid, the proxy form, together with the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed or a certified copy of that power of attorney or authority must be deposited at the Company's registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong at least 24 hours before the time appointed for holding the Meeting.
- 4. The register of members will be closed from 12 May to 16 May 2011, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.
- 5. 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 registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited of Shops 1712–1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, for registration no later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, 11 May 2011.
- 6. Subject to the passing of the necessary resolution at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, the final dividend will be payable on 24 June 2011, to shareholders whose names appear on the register of members on 16 May 2011. Shareholders will be given the option to receive their dividend in the form of scrip rather than cash.
- 7. The retiring Directors are Mr. Clement K.M. Kwok, Mr. William E. Mocatta, Mr. Pierre R. Boppe, Mr. Robert W. Miller and Dr. William K.L. Fung. 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 circular to the shareholders dated 11 April 2011.
- 8. At the Meeting, the Chairman will put each of the above resolutions to the vote by way of a poll in accordance with Article 58 of the Articles of Association of the Company. The results of the poll will be uploaded on the Company's and the Stock Exchange's websites after market closes on the day of Annual General Meeting.

As at the date of this notice, the Board of Directors of the Company comprises the following Directors:

# Non-Executive Chairman The Hon. Sir Michael Kadoorie

Non-Executive Deputy Chairman Ian Duncan Boyce

# **Executive Directors**

Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer Clement King Man Kwok

Chief Financial Officer Neil John Galloway

Chief Operating Officer
Peter Camille Borer

# **Non-Executive Directors**

Ronald James McAulay William Elkin Mocatta 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 Pierre Roger Boppe Dr. William Kwok Lun Fung