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ALLIED GROUP LIMITED

(聯合集團有限公司)

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 373)



ALLIED PROPERTIES (H.K.) LIMITED

(聯合地產 (香港) 有限公司)

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 56)



新鴻基有限公司

SUN HUNG KAI & CO. LIMITED

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 86)

JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT

MAJOR TRANSACTION

Conditional grant of option over shares and warrants in QUALITY HEALTHCARE ASIA LIMITED

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 593)

FURTHER DELAY IN DESPATCH OF CIRCULARS

AGL, APL and SHK have each applied to the Stock Exchange for a further extension of time for despatch of their respective circulars from 19th June, 2006 to 30th June, 2006.

Reference is made to the third joint announcement of AGL, APL and SHK dated 18th May, 2006 (the "Third Announcement") in relation to the delay in despatch of their respective circulars from 22nd May, 2006 to 19th June, 2006. Terms defined in the first joint announcement of AGL, APL and SHK dated 7th April, 2006 have the same meanings when used in this announcement.

Since the publication of the Third Announcement, AGL, APL and SHK all have been engaged in collating and preparing the financial information required under the Listing Rules for inclusion in the circulars. Additional time, however, is required by AGL, APL and SHK to finalise such information. Accordingly, AGL, APL and SHK have each obtained a waiver from the Stock Exchange for strict compliance with Rule 14.38 of the Listing Rules and the despatch of their respective circulars are postponed from 19th June, 2006 to 30th June, 2006.

DIRECTORS

AGL Directors

As at the date of this announcement, the AGL Directors are:-

Executive Directors:

Mr. Lee Seng Hui (*Chief Executive*), Mr. Edwin Lo King Yau, Mr. Mak Pak Hung

Non-executive Directors:

Ms. Lee Su Hwei, Mr. Arthur George Dew

Independent non-executive Directors:

Mr. Wong Po Yan, Mr. David Craig Bartlett, Mr. John Douglas Mackie, Mr. Alan Stephen Jones

APL Directors

As at the date of this announcement, the APL Directors are:-

Executive Directors:

Mr. Patrick Lee Seng Wei (*Chief Executive*), Mr. Li Chi Kong

Non-executive Directors:

Mr. Henry Lai Hin Wing, Mr. Steven Lee Siu Chung

Independent non-executive Directors:

Mr. John Douglas Mackie, Mr. Steven Samuel Zoellner, Mr. Alan Stephen Jones

SHK Directors

As at the date of this announcement, the SHK Directors are:-

Executive Directors:

Mr. Patrick Lee Seng Wei, Mr. Joseph Tong Tang

Non-executive Director:

Mr. Arthur George Dew (*Chairman*)

Independent non-executive Directors:

Mr. David Craig Bartlett, Mr. Alan Stephen Jones, Mr. Carlisle Caldwell Procter, Mr. Peter Wong Man Kong

On behalf of the Board
Allied Group Limited
Edwin Lo King Yau
Executive Director

On behalf of the Board
Allied Properties (H.K.) Limited
Li Chi Kong
Executive Director

On behalf of the Board
Sun Hung Kai & Co. Limited
Joseph Tong Tang
Executive Director

Hong Kong, 16th June, 2006