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This announcement is made pursuant to Rule 13.09 of the Rules (the "Listing Rules") Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "SEHK") and the Inside Information Provisions under Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

The Rank Group Plc ("Rank"), a 52% owned subsidiary of Guoco Group Limited (the "Company") and listed on London Stock Exchange Plc ("LSE"), announced yesterday that it noted press speculation in the United Kingdom regarding a potential transaction involving Rank and 888 Holdings plc ("888") (together the "Consortium") and William Hill plc ("William Hill") and the Consortium confirmed that it is evaluating a possible offer for William Hill (the "Proposed Transaction").

888 is an online gaming entertainment and solutions provider and William Hill is also a betting and gaming company, both of which are listed on LSE.

The Proposed Transaction, if materialise, would likely constitute a notifiable transaction for the Company under Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules based on the current financial information available. However, no formal approach has yet been made by the Consortium to the board of William Hill and there can be no certainty that any such approach will be made. Accordingly, there can be no certainty that any transaction will ultimately take place, nor as to the terms on which any such transaction might be constituted. The Company will issue a further announcement as appropriate.

The announcement of Rank is accessible at LSE's website (http://www.londonstockexchange.com) and is also posted by the Company as an overseas regulatory announcement on the websites of the SEHK (http://www.hkexnews.hk) and the Company (http://www.guoco.com).

By Order of the Board Stella Lo Sze Man Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 25 July 2016

As at the date of this announcement, the board of directors of the Company comprises Mr. Quek Leng Chan as Chairman; Mr. Kwek Leng Hai as President, CEO; Mr. Kwek Leng San and Mr. Tan Lim Heng as non-executive directors and Mr. Volker Stoeckel, Mr. Roderic N. A. Sage and Mr. David Michael Norman as independent non-executive directors.