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GUOCO GROUP LIMITED
(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 53)

OVERSEAS REGULATORY ANNOUNCEMENT

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Please refer to the attached announcement on the next page.

The board of directors of Guoco currently comprises Mr. Quek Leng Chan as Executive Chairman; Mr. Kwek Leng Hai as President, CEO; Mr. Tan Lim Heng and Mr. James Eng, Jr. as executive directors; Mr. Kwek Leng San as non-executive director and Mr. Sat Pal Khattar, Mr. Volker Stoeckel and Mr. Ding Wai Chuen as independent non-executive directors.



Miscellaneous

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Announcement Title * Clermont Leisure (UK) Limited - withdrawal of casino licence applications

Description

GuocoLeisure Limited (the "Company") wishes to provide an update on developments relating to Clermont Leisure (UK) Limited ("CLUK"), a wholly-owned subsidiary and licensed casino operator in the UK, formerly known as BIL Gaming Operations UK Ltd.

Further to the Company's previous announcement of 6 February 2006 regarding 16 proposed casino licence applications, CLUK eventually applied for 30 casino licences across the UK under the Gaming Act 1968, and has successfully been granted 4 casino licences to date. When the new Gambling Act 2005 came into force on 1 September 2007, CLUK's 4 casino licences granted under the previous Gaming Act 1968 continued as "converted casino premises licences" under the new statutory legislation.

As the regulatory framework and focus in the UK's gaming industry has moved on in response to new licensing opportunities introduced by the Gambling Act 2005, CLUK has decided to withdraw all of its outstanding licence applications and appeals under the previous licensing regime.

CLUK continues to own and manage The Clermont Club, an exclusive casino in Mayfair, London, and is monitoring future licensing opportunities that may arise in the UK.

The above developments are not expected to have any material impact on the net tangible assets or earnings per share of the Company and its subsidiaries for the financial year ending 30 June 2009.

By Order of the Board
Seok Hui Blackwell
Group Company Secretary

Attachments

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