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## **HUA LIEN INTERNATIONAL (HOLDING) COMPANY LIMITED**

### **華聯國際（控股）有限公司\***

*(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)*  
**(Stock Code: 969)**

#### **(1) RESIGNATION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND (2) APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD**

The Board announces that:

- (1) Mr. Xiao Longlong has resigned as the Executive Director with effect from 21 December 2012; and
- (2) Mr. Tang Jianguo has been appointed as an Executive Director and the Chairman of the Board with effect from 21 December 2012.

#### **(1) RESIGNATION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

The board of directors (the “**Board**”) of Hua Lien International (Holding) Company Limited (the “**Company**”) announces that Mr. Xiao Longlong (“**Mr. Xiao**”) resigned as an executive director of the Company (the “**Executive Director**”) with effect from 21 December 2012 for reason of retirement. Mr. Xiao has confirmed that he has no disagreement with the Board and there is no matter relating to his resignation that needs to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company.

#### **(2) APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD**

The Board also announces that Mr. Tang Jianguo (“**Mr. Tang**”) has been appointed as an Executive Director and the chairman of the Board (the “**Chairman**”) with effect from 21 December 2012.

Mr. Tang, aged 59, is currently the director and vice president and general manager of China National Complete Plant Import & Export Corporation (Group) (“**CHINA COMPLANT**”), a central-government conglomerate and a controlling shareholder (has the meaning defined in the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Listing Rules**”)) of the Company and concurrently the director and president of COMPLANT International Sugar Industry Co., Ltd. (“**COMPLANT**”) which is a subsidiary of CHINA COMPLANT and a substantial shareholder (has the meaning defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company. Mr. Tang has over 34 years’ experience in foreign trading and economic cooperation, project engineering and corporate management. Mr. Tang started his career as a staff member of Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation in January 1977. He joined West Asia and North Africa Department of CHINA COMPLANT as a staff member in January

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1986, was appointed as chief of West and North Africa Department in February 1992, he developed his career in CHINA COMPLANT and was promoted as the assistant to general manager in March 1993, vice general manager in August 1994 and assuming the current positions of the director and vice president and general manager of CHINA COMPLANT since December 2001 and the director and president of COMPLANT since November 2007.

As at the date hereof, Mr. Tang does not have or deemed to have any interests in shares or underlying shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

Mr. Tang studied Manufacturing Processes and Equipment at Tianjin Institute of Textile Science and Technology and graduated in January 1977. Mr. Tang was granted the title of senior engineer in International Commercial Project in December 1996 by the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation of the People's Republic of China.

Mr. Tang has not entered into any service contract with the Company. There is no specific term of service with the Company but Mr. Tang subject to retirement and re-election provisions in the articles of association of the Company pursuant to which he shall retire from office at the first general meeting of the Company following his appointment and shall then be eligible for re-election. Thereafter, he shall retire from office by rotation at the annual general meeting of the Company. Mr. Tang will not be entitled to any director's fee or director's remuneration payable by the Company and its subsidiaries with his holding of the positions as the Executive Director and the Chairman of the Board.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Tang does not hold any directorships in any public companies the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas in the last three years and he does not have any relationships with directors, senior management, substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company. As at the date hereof, he does not have any interests in shares or underlying shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Tang is not aware of any other matters relating to his appointment that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company and any information in relation to Mr. Tang which is required to be disclosed pursuant to rule 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to express its gratitude to Mr. Xiao for his valuable contribution to the Company during his tenures of office and welcome Mr. Tang to join the Board.

By order of the Board  
**Hua Lien International (Holding) Company Limited**  
**Tang Jianguo**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 21 December 2012

*As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises six directors, of which three are executive directors, namely Mr. Han Hong, Mr. Hu Yebi and Mr. Tang Jianguo and three are independent non-executive directors, namely Dr. Zheng Liu, Mr. Yu Chi Jui and Ms. Li Xiao Wei.*