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INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS SETTLEMENT HOLDINGS LIMITED **國際商業結算控股有限公司**

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 00147)

VOLUNTARY ANNOUNCEMENT

ENTERING INTO LETTER OF INTENT FOR STRATEGIC COOPERATION WITH UNICOM GLOBAL

This announcement is made by International Business Settlement Holdings Limited (the “Company”) on a voluntary basis.

The board of directors of the Company is pleased to announce that on 15 May 2017, the Company entered into a Letter of Intent for Strategic Cooperation with China Unicom (Hong Kong) Operations Limited, a subsidiary of China Unicom Global Limited (“Unicom Global”) in Beijing.

Pursuant to the Letter of Intent, both Parties will fully cooperate with each other on a global scale, especially the regions along “One Belt One Road”. Unicom Global will provide the Company’s Next Generation Settlement Network (“NGSN”) with full service of global financial internet communications infrastructure, and will be responsible for provision of required network resources and equipment for financial transactions and other business development, including but not limited to dedicated circuit, data center leasing, data center construction, information systems integration, mobile data, big data, block chain, Internet of things, artificial intelligence business and others, as well as resources matching and discussion of local cooperation with overseas operators, to help more banks and enterprises of other countries to quickly join NGSN, which in turn will accelerate the layout and implementation of NGSN, an efficient high-speed and real-time fund-route channel for global trade and consumption. Meanwhile, both parties will also integrate their respective advantages and capabilities, based on the Company’s block chain, big data and other core innovation capability, to develop a new financial industry solution integrated of infrastructure and application services. Both parties also agreed to set up a joint working group to cooperate in the areas of block chain, big data, Internet of things, artificial intelligence and other fields, aiming to cultivate, develop and share market results, with the principle of mutual benefit and win-win, in the global marketing.

China Unicom Global Limited is a wholly-owned subsidiary of China Unicom Group. With its headquarters stationed in Hong Kong, China Unicom Global Limited is responsible for China Unicom's international business development, operations and services outside of China Mainland. China Unicom Global Limited has 31 worldwide branches and 107 overseas business access points (PoP) across 70 countries and regions of the World. Leveraging on the strong Asia Pacific region and global network and the competitive advantages of services of China Unicom, China Unicom Global Limited provides its global clients with integrated information service featured with global coverage and global port to port function, including global networking, internet interconnection, ICT, cloud computation, Internet of things, video conference, unified communication, content services, security services and others, to serve its overseas individual clients with its global voice and data services.

The signing of this Letter of Intent will promote the rapid development of NGSN-based integrated financial industry solution around the world, especially in the countries and regions situated along the "One Belt One Road", facilitating trade settlement and finance for the relevant regions and will certainly enhance the governments' and enterprises' information and data processing capabilities in the countries situated along the "One Belt One Road".

By Order of the Board
International Business Settlement Holdings Limited
Yuen Leong
Director

Hong Kong, 15 May 2017

As at the date of this announcement, the Board of Directors comprises Mr. Luo Feng (Chairman), Mr. Yuen Leong and Ms. Luan Li as executive directors; and Dr. Lam Man Kit, Dominic, Mr. Yap Yung, Mr. Zhang Guangsheng, Mr. Chan Siu Tat and Mr. Shao Ping as independent non-executive directors.