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BIRMINGHAM INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED **伯明翰環球控股有限公司**

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 2309)

APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS AND INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Board is pleased to announce that, with effect 6 May 2013:

- (1) Mr. Chen Liang has been appointed as an Executive Director of the Company;
- (2) Mr. Cheung Shing has been appointed as an Executive Director of the Company; and
- (3) Mr. Gao Shi Kui has been appointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company.

The Board of Directors (the “Board”) of Birmingham International Holdings Limited (the “Company”) is pleased to announce that Mr. Chen Liang (“Mr. Chen”) has been appointed as an Executive Director of the Company, Mr. Cheung Shing (“Mr. Cheung”) has been appointed as an Executive Director of the Company and Mr. Gao Shi Kui (“Mr. Gao”) has been appointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company with effect from 6 May 2013.

Mr. Chen, aged 44, holds a Doctoral Degree in Coal, Oil and Gas Geology and Exploration from China University of Petroleum (Beijing), and worked for various oil companies and research institutes in China and abroad. He was a vice president of CITIC Resources Holdings Limited, a company listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“Stock Exchange”) (stock code: 1205), during the period from September 2005 to November 2006 and the technical planning vice president of CITIC Seram Energy Limited during the period from December 2006 to February 2010. During the period from April 2010 to July 2011, Mr. Chen was an executive director of Vitar International Holdings Limited (now known as L’sea Resources International Holdings Limited, a company listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange (stock code: 195). Since December 2011, Mr. Chen has been chief executive officer & executive director of China Natural Investment Company Limited, a company listed on the Growth Enterprise Market of the Stock Exchange (stock code: 8250). Mr. Chen has accumulated around 20 years of working experience in petroleum exploration and development.

There is no service contract entered into between the Company and Mr. Chen. He has no fixed term of service with the Company. Mr. Chen will hold office until the next annual general meeting of the Company and will be subject to retirement by rotation and re-election in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company. He will be entitled to directors' fee to be determined by the Remuneration Committee of the Company with reference to his duties and responsibility in the Company and the market benchmark.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Chen has not held directorship in any other listed companies in Hong Kong in the last three years. He has not held any other position with the Company or other members of the Group. Mr. Chen, does not have any relationship with any director, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholder of the Company. He does not have any interest in the shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

Saved as disclosed above, the Board is not aware of any matter in relation to the appointment of Mr. Chen that is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange and any other matter that needs to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company.

Mr. Cheung, aged 60, is currently an executive director of China Oil and Gas Group, a company listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange (stock code: 603) from 2006. Mr. Cheung was the deputy chairman and an executive director of Sino Union Energy Investment Group Limited (now known as "Yanchang Petroleum International Limited"), a company listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange (stock code: 346). Mr. Cheung had been the chairman of each of Wah Chung (HK) Limited, Henan Shenghua Petrochemical Co., Ltd. and Liaoning Xinmin Petroleum Company Limited during the period between 1993 and 2004. Mr. Cheung worked in Qilu Petrochemical Refinery, Shengli Oilfield Company, and Zhongyuan Oilfield Company of China National Petroleum Corporation ("CNPC") and has ever been a management economist of CNPC during the period between 1969 and 1993. Mr. Cheung is currently a visiting lecturer of Jiangxi University of Finance and Economics, the vice president of Hong Kong General Association of International Investment and the deputy director of China Petroleum Business Council.

There is no service contract entered into between the Company and Mr. Cheung. He has no fixed term of service with the Company. Mr. Cheung will hold office until the next annual general meeting of the Company and will be subject to retirement by rotation and re-election in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company. He will be entitled to directors' fee to be determined by the Remuneration Committee of the Company with reference to his duties and responsibility in the Company and the market benchmark.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Cheung has not held directorship in any other listed companies in Hong Kong in the last three years. He has not held any other position with the Company or other members of the Group. Mr. Cheung does not have any relationship with any director, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholder of the Company. He does not have any interest in the shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

Saved as disclosed above, the Board is not aware of any matter in relation to the appointment of Mr. Cheung that is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange and any other matter that needs to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company.

Mr. Gao, aged 61, has over 40 years' experience in the areas of exploration, development, production and sales of crude oil and has held various senior positions in companies engaged in these fields such as 中國石油勘探開發有限公司 (China Petroleum Exploration Development Company Limited, being its unofficial English translation) and 中國海洋石油南海東部有限公司 (China Ocean Petroleum South East Company Limited, being its unofficial English translation). He was the managing director of China Everbright Petroleum (International) Limited and China Everbright Petroleum Exploration & Investment Co., Ltd. during November 1998 to December 2007. Mr. Gao was also one of the vice chairman of China Guangdong Petroleum Society and the deputy chairman of China Chamber of Commerce for Petroleum Industry. From 2008 to 2011, he acted as the president of Sysmoto Group Limited and concurrently held the position of chief executive officer of Beijing Sysmoto Joyful Multimedia Co., Ltd. ("Beijing Sysmoto"), a subsidiary of Sysmoto Group Limited. He has been appointed as non-executive director of China Netcom Technology Holdings Limited, a company listed in the Growth Enterprises Market of the Stock Exchange (stock code: 8071), since November 2012.

There is no service contract entered into between the Company and Mr. Gao. He has no fixed term of service with the Company. Mr. Gao will hold office until the next annual general meeting of the Company and will be subject to retirement by rotation and re-election in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company. He will be entitled to directors' fee to be determined by the Remuneration Committee of the Company with reference to his duties and responsibility in the Company and the market benchmark.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Gao has not held directorship in any other listed companies in Hong Kong in the last three years. He has not held any other position with the Company or other members of the Group. Mr. Gao does not have any relationship with any director, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholder of the Company. He does not have any interest in the shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

Saved as disclosed above, the Board is not aware of any matter in relation to the appointment of Mr. Gao that is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange and any other matter that needs to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to welcome Mr. Chen, Mr. Cheung and Mr. Gao to join the Board.

By Order of the Board
BIRMINGHAM INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED
Yeung Ka Sing, Carson
Executive Director and Chairman

Hong Kong, 6 May 2013

As at the date hereof, the executive directors of the Company are Mr. Yeung Ka Sing, Carson, Mr. Peter Pannu, Mr. Ma Shui Cheong, Mr. Chan Shun Wah, Ms. Wong Po Ling, Pauline, Mr. Cheung Kwai Nang, Mr. Charlie Penn, Mr. Chen Liang and Mr. Cheung Shing and the independent non-executive directors are Mr. Yau Yan Ming, Raymond and Mr. Wong Ka Chun, Carson and Mr. Gao Shi Kui.