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(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 645)

ELECTION OF LANGUAGE AND MEANS OF RECEIPT OF CORPORATE COMMUNICATIONS

As one of the Company's environmental protection initiatives and in the interest of more efficient communication with the Shareholders, the Company is making arrangements to ascertain the Shareholders' preferences with respect to the choice of language and means of receipt of future Corporate Communications in accordance with Rule 2.07A and Rule 2.07B of the Listing Rules.

INTRODUCTION

As one of the Company's environmental protection initiatives and in the interest of more efficient communication with the Shareholders, the Company proposes to use electronic means to make available its future Corporate Communications, unless the Shareholders elect otherwise.

The Company, pursuant to the applicable laws and regulations and the Company's Bye-Laws, is making the arrangements described below to ascertain the Shareholders' preference as to receiving future Corporate Communications of the Company: (i) in both Chinese and English in printed form; (ii) in English in printed form only; (iii) in Chinese in printed form only; or (iv) in both Chinese and English by means of the Company's website at www.aresasia.com in lieu of receiving printed copies and receiving a notification letter of the publication of the Corporate Communications on the Company's website. The Company recommends the Shareholders to take advantage of these new options for their own convenience.

Proposed Arrangements

In accordance with Rule 2.07A and note (8) of Rule 2.07B(2) of the Listing Rules, the following arrangements have been made by the Company:

1. The Company sent a letter on 26 February 2013 (the "First Letter") together with a reply form (the "Reply Form"), prepared in English and Chinese, which includes a pre-paid mailing label (applicable for posting within Hong Kong only) to the Shareholders to enable them

to select their preferences as to receiving future Corporate Communications: (i) in both Chinese and English in printed form; (ii) in English in printed form only; (iii) in Chinese in printed form only; or (iv) in both Chinese and English by means of the Company's website at www.aresiasialtd.com in lieu of receiving printed copies and receiving a notification letter of the publication of the Corporate Communications on the Company's website.

2. The First Letter explains that if the Company does not receive the completed and signed Reply Form or a response indicating the objection from a Shareholder by 27 March 2013 and until such Shareholder informs the Company c/o the Hong Kong Share Registrar by reasonable prior notice in writing by post or by email to aresasia.ecom@computershare.com.hk, such Shareholder is deemed to have consented to receiving by electronic means through the Company's website in lieu of receiving printed copies and only a notification letter of the publication of the Corporate Communications on the Company's website will be sent to such Shareholder in the future.

Shareholders are entitled at any time by reasonable notice in writing (Address: 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong) or by email (Email address: aresasia.ecom@computershare.com.hk) to the Hong Kong Share Registrar to change their choice of language and means of receipt of Corporate Communications.

3. With respect to the Shareholders who choose to receive Corporate Communications in printed form, the Company will send the selected language version of such Corporate Communication to those Shareholders who have made a selection unless and until they notify the Hong Kong Share Registrar in writing or by email that they wish to receive the Corporate Communications in the other (or both) language(s).
4. When each printed Corporate Communication is sent out in accordance with the arrangements described in paragraphs 1 and 2 above, a letter (the "Second Letter") and a change request form (the "Change Request Form"), prepared in English and Chinese, will be attached to or printed at some prominent place in the sent out versions of such Corporate Communication, together with a pre-paid mailing label (applicable for posting within Hong Kong only), specifying that the Corporate Communication prepared in the other language will be available upon request, and that Shareholders may change their choice of language and means of receipt of subsequent Corporate Communications by completing the Change Request Form and returning it to the Hong Kong Share Registrar.
5. Corporate Communications in both English and Chinese, and in accessible format, will be available on the Company's website at www.aresiasialtd.com. Both languages of each Corporate Communication will be filed with the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in electronic format on the same day as such Corporate Communication is despatched to the Shareholders, or on such other day as required by the Hong Kong Stock Exchange or pursuant to the Listing Rules.

6. The Company is providing a dial-up hotline service (Tel: (852) 2862 8688) during business hours (9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, excluding public holidays) to enable the Shareholders to make enquiry of the Company's proposed arrangements set out above.
7. The First Letter and the Second Letter will mention that both languages of each Corporate Communication will be available on the Company's website and that the dial-up hotline service has been provided, as respectively mentioned in paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

DEFINITIONS

In this announcement, the following expressions have the meanings set out below, unless the context requires otherwise:

“Bye-Laws”	the bye-laws of the Company, as amended from time to time
“Company”	Ares Asia Limited, a company incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability and shares of which are listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange
“Corporate Communication(s)”	<p>any documents issued or to be issued by the Company for the information or action of holders of any of the Company's securities as defined in the definition stated in Rule 1.01 of the Listing Rules, including but not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">(a) the directors' report, its annual accounts together with a copy of the auditors' report and, where applicable, its summary financial report;(b) the interim report and, where applicable, summary interim report;(c) a notice of meeting;(d) a listing document;(e) a circular; and(f) a proxy form.
“Hong Kong Share Registrar”	Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong

“Shareholders”	holders of the shares of the Company
“Hong Kong Stock Exchange”	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
“Listing Rules”	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited

By order of the board of directors
Ares Asia Limited
Junaidi YAP
Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, 26 February 2013

As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors of the Company are Mr. Adwin Haryanto SURYOHADIPROJO (Chairman), Mr. CHUA Chun Kay, Mr. Junaidi YAP (Chief Executive Officer) and the independent non-executive directors of the Company are Mr. LAM Pun Yuen, Frank, Mr. NGAN Hing Hon and Mr. YEUNG Kin Bond, Sydney.