GUOCO GROUP LIMITED

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

OVERSEAS REGULATORY ANNOUNCEMENT

(This overseas regulatory announcement is issued pursuant to Rule 13.09(2) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.)

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.

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Announcement of Appointment of Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director *				
* Asterisks denote mandatory information				
Name of Announcer *	GUOCOLEISURE LIMITED			
Company Registration No.	EC27568			
Announcement submitted on behalf of	GUOCOLEISURE LIMITED			
Announcement is submitted with respect to *	GUOCOLEISURE LIMITED			
Announcement is submitted by *	Seok Hui Blackwell			
Designation *	Group Company Secretary			
Date & Time of Broadcast	12-Dec-2008 19:15:03			
Announcement No.	00139			
>> Announcement Details The details of the announcement start here				
Date of Appointment *	01-01-2009			
Name of person *	Timothy James Scoble			
Age *	51			
Country of principal residence *	United Kingdom			
The Board's comments on this appointment (including rationale, selection criteria, and the search and nomination process) *	Mr Scoble's appointment was approved by the Board of Directors upon the recommendation of the Nominating Committee which had reviewed the qualifications and experience of Mr Scoble.			
Whether appointment is executive, and if so, the area of responsibility *	Executive. Responsible for strategic direction, business development and overseeing the overall operations of the Group.			
Job Title (e.g. Lead ID, AC Chairman, AC Member etc.)	Chief Executive Officer			
Working experience and occupation(s) during the past 10 years *	Mr Scoble joined the Group in January 2006 as Chief Executive of Guoman Hotels. Prior to joining the Group, he was advising a number of private equity firms on leisure sector investment. He has 20 years' experience in general and financial management in the hotel and restaurant sector, both in the UK and internationally. He is a qualified Chartered Accountant with the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.			
Interest * in the listed issuer and its subsidiaries *	Under the Company's Value Creation Incentive Share Scheme, Mr Scoble was granted in October 2007, an option to acquire up to 8 million shares at \$1.43 each, vesting 30% in June 2009 and 70% in June 2011, based on the achievement of certain criteria. He has no other interest in the shares of the Company either directly or indirectly.			
Familial relationship with any director and/or substantial shareholder of the listed issuer or of any of its principal subsidiaries *	No			
Conflict of interest (including any competing business) *	No			
>> Other Directorships# # These fields are not applicable for announcements of appointments pursuant to Listing Rule 704(9)				
Past (for the last 5 years)	Please see Annexure "A".			
Present	Please see Annexure "B".			

	nformation required pursuant to Listing Rule 704(7)(
Disclose the following matters concerning an appointment of director, chief executive officer, general manager or other officer of equivalent rank. If the answer to any questions is "yes", full details must be given.				
(a) *	Whether at any time during the last 10 years, an application or a petition under any bankruptcy law of any jurisdiction was filed against him or against a partnership of which he was a partner at the time when he was a partner or at any time within 2 years from the date he ceased to be a partner?	• No		
(b) *	Whether at any time during the last 10 years, an application or a petition under any law of any jurisdiction was filed against an entity (not being a partnership) of which he was a director or an equivalent person or a key executive, at the time when he was a director or an equivalent person or a key executive of that entity or at any time within 2 years from the date he ceased to be a director or an equivalent person or a key executive of that entity, for the winding up or dissolution of that entity or, where that entity is the trustee of a business trust, that business trust, on the ground of insolvency?	• No		
(c) *	Whether there is any unsatisfied judgment against him?	• No		
(d) *	Whether he has ever been convicted of any offence, in Singapore or elsewhere, involving fraud or dishonesty which is punishable with imprisonment, or has been the subject of any criminal proceedings (including any pending criminal proceedings of which he is aware) for such purpose?	• No		
(e) *	Whether he has ever been convicted of any offence, in Singapore or elsewhere, involving a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere, or has been the subject of any criminal proceedings (including any pending criminal proceedings of which he is aware) for such breach?	• No		
(f) *	Whether at any time during the last 10 years, judgment has been entered against him in any civil proceedings in Singapore or elsewhere involving a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere, or a finding of fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty on his part, or he has been the subject of any civil proceedings (including any pending civil proceedings of which he is aware) involving an allegation of fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty on his part?	• No		
(g) *	Whether he has ever been convicted in Singapore or elsewhere of any offence in connection with the formation or management of any entity or business trust?	• No		
(h) *	Whether he has ever been disqualified from acting as a director or an equivalent person of any entity (including the trustee of a business trust), or from taking part directly or indirectly in the management of any entity or business trust?	• No		
(i) *	Whether he has ever been the subject of any order, judgment or ruling of any court, tribunal or governmental body, permanently or temporarily enjoining him from engaging in any type of business practice or activity?	• No		
(j)	Whether he has ever, to his knowledge, been concerned with the management or conduct, in Singapore or elsewhere, of the affairs of :-			

(i)*	any corporation which has been investigated for breach of any law or regulatory requireme governing corporations in Singapore or elsewher or	nt		
(ii)*	any entity (not being a corporation) which has be investigated for a breach of any law or regulator requirement governing such entities in Singapore elsewhere; or	ry [
(iii)*	any business trust which has been investigated for breach of any law or regulatory requireme governing business trusts in Singapore elsewhere; or			
(iv)* any entity or business trust which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere,		ry		
in connection with any matter occurring or arising during that period when he was so concerned with the entity or business trust?				
(k) * Whether he has been the subject of any current or past investigation or disciplinary proceedings, or has been reprimanded or issued any warning, by the Monetary Authority of Singapore or any other regulatory authority, exchange, professional body or government agency, whether in Singapore or elsewhere?		en ry y,		
>> Information required pursuant to Listing Rule 704(7)(i)				
Disclosure	applicable to the appointment of Director on	у.		
Any prior experience as a director of a listed company?		• No		
If no, please provide details of any training undertaken in the roles and responsibilities of a director of a listed company.		In-house training will be provided by the Group Company Secretary.		
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ANNEXURE "A"

Previous Directorships

DIRECTOR

Appointed: 22/12/1997 Resigned: 01/07/2002 FINANCE DIRECTOR

Occupation:

02194834

Company Number:

Company Name:

DUKES HEAD 1988 LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Appointed: 17/11/1999 Resigned: 25/05/2001 FINANCE DIRECTOR

Occupation: Company Number:

Company Name:

03154788 LIFE CAFE LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Appointed: 17/11/1999 Resigned: 25/05/2001 FINANCE DIRECTOR

Occupation: Company Number: Company Name:

03474139 LIFE LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR Occupation:

Appointed: 17/11/1999 Resigned: 25/05/2001 FINANCE DIRECTOR

Company Number:

03475615

Company Name:

TOOLFIRST LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Appointed: 08/07/2002 Resigned: 30/05/2003

Occupation:

DIRECTOR

Company Number:

02905995

Company Name:

ABRSW HOTELS LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Appointed: 08/07/2002 Resigned: 30/05/2003

Occupation:

DIRECTOR

Company Number:

02384207

Company Name:

ASHFORD GROUP HOLDINGS LTD

Active

DIRECTOR

Appointed: 08/07/2002 Resigned: 30/05/2003

Occupation: Company Number: DIRECTOR 01999608

Company Name:

CHESTER INTERNATIONAL HOTEL LIMITED

DIRECTOR

Resigned: 30/05/2003

Occupation:

Company Number:

Company Name:

Appointed: 08/07/2002

DIRECTOR

SC007412

DEAN PARK HOTEL GROUP LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Occupation:

Company Number:

Company Name:

Appointed: 08/07/2002 Resigned: 30/05/2003 DIRECTOR

SC097869

ECHO HOTEL LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Occupation:

Company Number:

Company Name:

Appointed: 08/07/2002 Resigned: 30/05/2003

DIRECTOR 029<u>99276</u>

ESB HOTELS LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Occupation: Company Number:

Company Name:

Appointed: 08/07/2002 Resigned: 30/05/2003

DIRECTOR

00799130

FIVE STAR INNS LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Occupation: Company Number:

Company Name:

Appointed: 08/07/2002 Resigned: 30/05/2003

DIRECTOR 00562745

FRASERFORT LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Appointed: 08/07/2002 Resigned: 30/05/2003

Occupation: Company Number:

Company Name:

DIRECTOR 00543409

MARYBONE HOTELS HOLDINGS LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Appointed: 08/07/2002 Resigned: 30/05/2003

Occupation:

DIRECTOR

Company Number:

01043175

Company Name:

MOAT HOUSE (CATERERS) LIMITED

DIRECTOR

Resigned: 30/05/2003

Occupation:

Company Number:

Company Name:

DIRECTOR

SC111627

NICEMODEL LIMITED

Appointed: 08/07/2002

Appointed: 08/07/2002

Appointed: 08/07/2002

Active

DIRECTOR

Resigned: 30/05/2003

Occupation: Company Number:

Company Name:

DIRECTOR

00414351

NORFOLK CAPITAL GROUP LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Occupation: Presigned: 30/05/2003
DIRECTOR
Company Number: 01061613

Company Name:

NORFOLK CAPITAL HOTELS (SOUTHERN) LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Appointed: 08/07/2002 Resigned: 30/05/2003

Occupation: Company Number:

DIRECTOR 00224917

Company Name:

NORFOLK CAPITAL HOTELS LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Appointed: 08/07/2002 Resigned: 30/05/2003

Occupation: Company Number:

DIRECTOR 01280781

Company Name:

QM PROPERTY GROUP LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Appointed: 08/07/2002 Resigned: 30/05/2003

Occupation:

DIRECTOR

Company Number:

01189109

Company Name:

QMH (A) CONSTRUCTION LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Appointed: 08/07/2002 Resigned: 30/05/2003

Occupation:

DIRECTOR

Company Number:

02426512

Company Name:

QMH (A) DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED

DIRECTOR

Resigned: 30/05/2003

Occupation:

Company Number:

Company Name:

DIRECTOR

Resigned: 30/05/2003

Occupation:
Company Number:

Company Name:

DIRECTOR

Resigned: 30/05/2003

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Company Name:

DIRECTOR

Occupation: Company Number:

Company Name:

Appointed: 08/07/2002

DIRECTOR 02481368

QMH (FRANCE) LIMITED

Active

Appointed: 08/07/2002

DIRECTOR 00680479

QMH (HOTELS) LIMITED

Active

Appointed: 08/07/2002

DIRECTOR 02485420

QMH (TOULOUSE) LIMITED

Active

Appointed: 08/07/2002

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DIRECTOR 01958053 QMH UK LIMITED

Active

Appointed: 08/07/2002

Resigned: 30/05/2003

DIRECTOR 00969962

QUEENS MOAT PROPERTIES LIMITED

Active

Appointed: 08/07/2002

Resigned: 30/05/2003 DIRECTOR

00948579

ROWNTREES (MARKET STREET) MANCHESTER

LIMITED Active

Appointed: 08/07/2002 Resigned: 30/05/2003

DIRECTOR 00048964

ROYAL HOTEL, NORWICH, LIMITED

DIRECTOR

Resigned: 30/05/2003

Occupation:

Company Number:

Company Name:

Appointed: 08/07/2002

DIRECTOR

01628086

THE HARROGATE INTERNATIONAL HOTEL LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Appointed: 08/07/2002 Resigned: 30/05/2003

Occupation:

Company Number:

Company Name:

DIRECTOR 02072621

THE MIDLAND PROPERTY COMPANY LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Appointed: 08/07/2002 Resigned: 30/05/2003

Occupation:

Company Number:

Company Name:

DIRECTOR 02161204

THE SOLIHULL HOTEL COMPANY LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Appointed: 16/07/2003 Resigned: 12/11/2004 DIRECTOR

Occupation:

Company Number:

04588941

Company Name:

TLLC DEVCO1 LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Occupation:

Appointed: 16/07/2003 Resigned: 12/11/2004 COMPANY DIRECTOR

Company Number:

04488831

Company Name:

TLLC GUARANTEE LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Appointed: 16/07/2003 Resigned: 12/11/2004 DIRECTOR

Occupation:

Company Number:

Company Name:

04588957

TLLC HOLDINGS2 LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Appointed: 16/07/2003 Resigned: 12/11/2004

Occupation:

DIRECTOR 04588791

Company Number: Company Name:

TLLC HOLDINGS3 LIMITED

DIRECTOR

Resigned: 12/11/2004

Occupation:

Company Number:

Company Name:

Appointed: 16/07/2003

DIRECTOR

04588955

TLLC HOLDINGS4 LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Occupation:

Company Number:

Company Name:

Appointed: 16/07/2003 Resigned: 12/11/2004

DIRECTOR 04592836

TLLC HOLDINGS5 LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Resigned: 12/11/2004

Occupation:
Company Number:

Company Name:

Appointed: 16/07/2003

DIRECTOR 04590019

TLLC LIMITED.

Active

DIRECTOR

Resigned: 12/11/2004

Occupation:

Company Number:

Company Name:

Appointed: 16/07/2003

DIRECTOR

<u>04588793</u>

TLLC PROPHOLDCO2 LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Resigned: 12/11/2004

Occupation:

Company Number:

Company Name:

Appointed: 24/10/2003

COMPANY DIRECTOR

00769170

TRAVELODGE HOTELS LIMITED

Active

DIRECTOR

Appointed: 17/11/1999 Resigned: 25/05/2001 Dissolved: 11/06/2007 FINANCE DIRECTOR

Occupation:

Company Number:

Company Name:

03633365

VOODOOROOM LIMITED

Dissolved

DIRECTOR

Appointed: 08/07/2002 Resigned: 30/05/2003 Dissolved: 19/07/2007

Occupation:

DIRECTOR SC081590

Company Number: Company Name:

ALDBAR HOLDINGS COMPANY LIMITED

Dissolved

DIRECTOR Appointed: 08/07/2002

Resigned: 30/05/2003 Dissolved: 19/07/2007

Occupation: DIRECTOR
Company Number: SC072097

Company Number: SC072097
Company Name: ALDBAR HOTELS LIMITED

Dissolved

Appointed: 08/07/2002

DIRECTOR Resigned: 30/05/2003
Dissolved: 09/07/2007

Occupation:DIRECTORCompany Number:02189857

Company Name: ASHFORD DEVELOPMENTS (NORTHERN) LIMITED

Dissolved

Appointed: 08/07/2002
DIRECTOR Resigned: 30/05/2003
Dissolved: 01/08/2008

Occupation:DIRECTORCompany Number:01753063

Company Name: COUNTRY HOUSE HOTELS LIMITED

Dissolved

Appointed: 08/07/2002
DIRECTOR Resigned: 30/05/2003
Dissolved: 02/07/2007

Occupation:DIRECTORCompany Number:01864897

Company Name: J.P.S. (WATFORD) LIMITED

Dissolved

Appointed: 08/07/2002
DIRECTOR Resigned: 30/05/2003
Dissolved: 02/07/2007

Occupation: DIRECTOR Company Number: 01844745

Company Name: MOAT HOUSE (INSURANCE SERVICES) LIMITED

Dissolved

Appointed: 08/07/2002
DIRECTOR Resigned: 30/05/2003
Dissolved: 02/07/2007

Occupation:DIRECTORCompany Number:01153948

Company Name: MOAT HOUSE (MANAGEMENT) LIMITED

Dissolved

DIRECTOR

Resigned: 30/05/2003

Dissolved: 01/08/2008

Occupation: Company Number:

Company Name:

DIRECTOR

Resigned: 30/05/2003 Dissolved: 09/07/2007

Occupation:

Company Number: Company Name:

LIMITED

DIRECTOR

Resigned: 30/05/2003

Dissolved: 30/04/2008

Occupation:

Company Number:

Company Name:

DIRECTOR

Resigned: 12/11/2004

Dissolved: 27/09/2008 Occupation:

Company Number:

Company Name:

Appointed: 08/07/2002

DIRECTOR

00511513

NORFOLK HOTEL (KENSINGTON) LIMITED

Dissolved

Appointed: 08/07/2002

DIRECTOR

02244424

PICKERING DEVELOPMENTS (STOKE ON TRENT)

Dissolved

Appointed: 08/07/2002

DIRECTOR

01234925 QUEENS MOAT HOUSES (NORTHERN) LIMITED

Dissolved

Appointed: 16/07/2003

DIRECTOR 04592893

RESTPROPCO LIMITED

Dissolved

ANNEXURE "B"

Name: TIMOTHY JAMES SCOBLE

Nationality: BRITISH Latest Address: 57 OLD ROAD

WHEATLEY
OXFORD
OXFORDSHIRE

Postcode: OX33 1NX

Date of Birth: 12/02/1957

Appointments: Current: 26 / Resigned: 52 / Dissolved: 0

Active Directorships

United Kingdom

DIRECTOR Appointed: 13/01/2006

Occupation: CEO
Company Number: 00262958

Company Name: GUOMAN HOTELS LIMITED

DIRECTOR Appointed: 13/12/2006
Occupation: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Company Number: 02609025

Company Name: 7TH FLOOR LIMITED

DIRECTOR Appointed: 13/12/2006
Occupation: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Company Number: SC046004

Company Name: GUOMAN HOTEL MANAGEMENT (UK) LIMITED

DIRECTOR Appointed: 08/01/2007
Occupation: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Company Number: SC042766

Company Name: THISTLE HOTELS (CALEDONIA) LIMITED

DIRECTOR Appointed: 13/02/2007
Occupation: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Company Number: 00777705

Company Name: THISTLE HOTELS & RESTAURANTS LTD

DIRECTOR Appointed: 08/05/2007
Occupation: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Company Number: 04346400

Company Name: CHARING CROSS GUOMAN LIMITED

DIRECTORAppointed: 08/05/2007Occupation:CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Company Number: 00623239

Company Name: GUOMAN HOTEL PROPERTIES LIMITED

DIRECTORAppointed: 08/05/2007Occupation:CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Company Number: 05154442

Company Name: THE CUMBERLAND GUOMAN LIMITED

Active Directorships (Continued)

DIRECTOR Appointed: 08/05/2007 Occupation: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Company Number: 00887808

Company Name: THE GROSVENOR HOTEL VICTORIA LIMITED

DIRECTOR Appointed: 08/05/2007 Occupation: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Company Number: 04330100

Company Name: THE ROYAL HORSEGUARDS HOTEL LIMITED

DIRECTOR Appointed: 08/05/2007 Occupation: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER Company Number: 00466069

Company Name: THE TOWER GUOMAN LIMITED

DIRECTOR Appointed: 08/05/2007 Occupation: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Company Number: 05307594

Company Name: THISTLE BARBICAN TENANT LTD

DIRECTOR Appointed: 08/05/2007 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER Occupation:

Company Number: 05308886

Company Name: THISTLE BLOOMSBURY PARK TENANT LTD

DIRECTOR Appointed: 08/05/2007 Occupation: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Company Number: 05307601

Company Name: THISTLE EDINBURGH TENANT LTD

DIRECTOR Appointed: 08/05/2007 Occupation: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Company Number: 05307598

Company Name: THISTLE EUSTON TENANT LTD

Active

DIRECTOR Appointed: 08/05/2007 Occupation: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER Company Number: 00623241

Company Name: THISTLE HEATHROW LIMITED

DIRECTOR Appointed: 08/05/2007 Occupation: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Company Number: 05307599

Company Name: THISTLE HYDE PARK TENANT LTD

DIRECTOR Appointed: 08/05/2007 Occupation: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Company Number:

Company Name: THISTLE KENSINGTON GARDENS LIMITED

DIRECTOR Appointed: 08/05/2007 Occupation: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Company Number: 04330117

Company Name: THISTLE MARBLE ARCH LIMITED

Active Directorships (Continued)

DIRECTOR Appointed: 08/05/2007
Occupation: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Company Number: 05307603

Company Name: THISTLE PICCADILLY TENANT LTD

DIRECTOR Appointed: 08/05/2007
Occupation: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Company Number: 04330162

Company Name: THISTLE TRAFALGAR LIMITED

DIRECTOR Appointed: 08/05/2007
Occupation: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Company Number: 00058207

Company Name: THISTLE WESTMINSTER LIMITED

DIRECTOR Appointed: 22/10/2007
Occupation: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Company Number: 00319704

Company Name: GUOMAN HOTELS HR LIMITED

SINGAPORE

Guoman Hotel Management Group Pte Ltd - Director

MALAYSIA

Guoman Hotel Management (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd formerly known as Pacific Flagship Sdn Bhd – Director

CHINA

Guoman Hotel Management (Shanghai) Co Ltd – Director Guoman Hotel Management (Beijing) Co Ltd – Director

BERMUDA

Guoman Hotels Group Limited - Director

Active Directorships - Proposal to Strike off

DIRECTOR Occupation:

Company Number:

Company Name:

DIRECTOR

Occupation: Company Number:

Company Name:

DIRECTOR

Occupation: Company Number:

Company Name:

Appointed: 08/05/2007

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
00623246
LPH ANGUS LIMITED

Appointed: 08/05/2007 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER 00090841

MOUNT CHARLOTTE HOTELS LIMITED

Appointed: 08/05/2007

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

00623243

LPH LONDON PARK LIMITED