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## Hong Kong Finance Group Limited 香港信貸集團有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1273)

## DISCLOSEABLE TRANSACTION PROVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

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Summarised below are the principal terms of the Loan Agreement.

#### THE LOAN AGREEMENT

Date of the Loan : 20 March 2023

Agreement

Lender : HK Finance (PL)

Borrowers : Customer K and Customer L

Principal : HK\$28,000,000

Interest rate : 1.4% per month (equivalent to 16.8% per annum)

Term : 12 months commencing from the drawdown date

Security : A legal charge in respect of two commercial

properties located at Gloucester Road, Hong Kong

Repayment : the Borrowers will repay the interest on a monthly

basis with a principal sum to be repaid at the

maturity

### INFORMATION ON THE CREDIT RISK RELATING TO THE LOAN

The making of the Loan is collateralised. The collaterals provided by the Borrowers for the Loan are sufficient based on the value of the mortgaged properties for the Loan determined by an independent valuer.

The advance in respect of the Loan is also made on the basis of the Group's credit assessments with reference to the facts that (i) the collaterals provided by the Borrowers are at the prime site in Hong Kong; (ii) the Borrowers' net worth is strong and solid to prove their repayment ability; and (iii) the term of the advance is relatively short. After taking into account the factors as disclosed above in assessing the risks of the relevant advance, the Group considers that the risks involved in the advance to the Borrowers are manageable.

#### **FUNDING OF THE LOAN**

The Group will finance the Loan with the Group's general working capital.

# INFORMATION ON THE BORROWERS AND ULTIMATE BENEFICIAL OWNER

Customer L is a company incorporated in Hong Kong engaging in the business of property investment holdings, and is indirectly and ultimately owned by Customer K who is an individual. The Borrowers were approached by the Group through its network. To the best of the knowledge, information and belief of the Directors having made all reasonable enquiry, the Borrowers are Independent Third Parties and not connected with the Group.

#### INFORMATION ON THE GROUP AND THE LENDER

The Company is an investment holding company. The Group is principally engaged in money lending business in Hong Kong under the Money Lenders Ordinance. HK Finance (PL), as the lender, is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company.

#### REASONS FOR ENTERING INTO THE LOAN AGREEMENT

Taking into account the principal business activities of the Group, the grant of the Loan to the Borrowers is in the ordinary and usual course of business of the Group.

The terms of the Loan Agreement were negotiated on an arm's length basis between HK Finance (PL) and the Borrowers. The Directors consider that the grant of the Loan is a financial assistance provided by the Group within the meaning of the Listing Rules. The Directors are of the view that the terms of the Loan Agreement were entered into on normal commercial terms based on the Group's credit policy. Taking into account the satisfactory financial background of the Borrowers and that a stable revenue and cashflow stream from the interest income is expected, the Directors consider that the terms of the Loan Agreement are fair and reasonable and the entering into of the Loan Agreement is in the interests of the Company and its Shareholders as a whole.

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#### **DEFINITIONS**

In this announcement, the following expressions have the following meanings:

"Board" the board of Directors

"Borrowers" Customer K and Customer L collectively

"Company" Hong Kong Finance Group Limited, a company incorporated

in the Cayman Islands with limited liability, the shares of which are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange

"Customer K" Ms. Tin Yat Yu Carol (田一妤), an individual who is an

Independent Third Party

"Customer L" Delta Wealth Credit Limited (融富信貸有限公司), a

company incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability

and is an Independent Third Party

"Director(s)" the director(s) of the Company

"Group" the Company and its subsidiaries

"HK\$" Hong Kong Dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong

"HK Finance (PL)" Hong Kong Finance (Personal Loan) Limited, a company

incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability and with money lenders licence registered under Money Lenders Ordinance, and is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of

the Company

"Hong Kong" the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the

People's Republic of China

"Independent Third

Party(ies)"

party(ies) who is/are independent of the Company and its

connected person(s) (as defined in the Listing Rules)

"Listing Rules" the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock

Exchange

"Loan" the mortgage loan in the amount of HK\$28,000,000 granted

to the Borrowers under the Loan Agreement

"Loan Agreement" the loan agreement dated 20 March 2023 entered into

between HK Finance (PL) and the Borrowers

"Money Lenders the Money Lenders Ordinance (Chapter 163 of the laws of Ordinance"

Hong Kong) as amended, supplemented or otherwise

modified from time to time

"Share(s)" ordinary share(s) of HK\$0.01 each in the share capital of the

Company

"Shareholder(s)" holder(s) of the Share(s)

"Stock Exchange" The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited

> On behalf of the Board Hong Kong Finance Group Limited Chan Kwong Yin William Chairman

Hong Kong, 20 March 2023

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises the following members:

#### **Executive Directors: Independent Non-executive Directors:**

Mr. Chan Kwong Yin William (Chairman) Mr. Chu Yat Pang Terry

Mr. Chan Koung Nam Mr. Cheung Kok Cheong

Mr. Tse Pui To (Chief Executive Officer) Mr. Wong Kai Man

Ms. Chan Siu Ching