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### HUA LIEN INTERNATIONAL (HOLDING) COMPANY LIMITED

### 華聯國際(控股)有限公司\*

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 969)

# CHANGES IN DIRECTORSHIPS AND CHANGES IN COMPOSITION OF BOARD COMMITTEES

The Board announces that with effect from 18 May 2022, the following changes in directorships.

- i. Ms. Liu Yan has resigned as a non-executive Director and has ceased to be the chairman of the Board;
- ii. Mr. Zhang Jian has resigned as a non-executive Director;
- iii. Mr. Liu Xueyi has resigned as an executive Director;
- iv. Mr. Zhang Zhaogang has been appointed as a non-executive Director and as chairman of the Board;
- v. Ms. Chen Si has been appointed as a non-executive Director; and
- vi. Mr. Zhang Qi has been appointed as an executive Director

The Board also announces that with effect from 18 May 2022, the following changes in composition of Board committees.

- i. Ms. Liu Yan has ceased to be as chairman and as member of nomination committee of the Board and as member of remuneration committee of the Board;
- ii. Mr. Zhang Jian has ceased to be as member of nomination committee of the Board and as member of remuneration committee of the Board;
- iii. Mr. Zhang Zhaogang has been appointed as chairman and as member of nomination committee of the Board and as member of remuneration committee of the Board; and
- iv. Ms. Chen Si has been appointed as member of nomination committee of the Board and as member of remuneration committee of the Board.

<sup>\*</sup> For identification purpose only

The board (the "Board") of directors (the "Director") of Hua Lien International (Holding) Company Limited (the "Company") announces the following changes in directorships and composition of board committees.

## RESIGNATION OF TWO NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS AND ONE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Board announces that with effect from 18 May 2022,

- i. Ms. Liu Yan has resigned as a non-executive Director and ceased to be chairman of the Board for reason of pursuing other career opportunity and development. Ms. Liu Yan has confirmed that she has no disagreement with the Board and there is no matter relating to her resignation that needs to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company;
- ii. Mr. Zhang Jian has resigned as a non-executive Director for reason of pursuing other career opportunity and development. Mr. Zhang Jian has confirmed that he has no disagreement with the Board and there is no matter relating to his resignation that needs to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company; and
- iii. Mr. Liu Xueyi has resigned as an executive Director of the Company for reason of pursuing other career opportunity and development. Mr. Liu Xueyi has confirmed that he has no disagreement with the Board and there is no matter relating to his resignation that needs to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company.

# APPOINTMENT OF TWO NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS AND ONE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Board further announces that with effect from 18 May 2022,

- i. Mr. Zhang Zhaogang has been appointed as a non-executive Director and as chairman of the Board;
- ii. Ms. Chen Si has been appointed as a non-executive Director; and
- iii. Mr. Zhang Qi has been appointed as an executive Director.

Their biographical details are set out in below section under "Biographical Details of the New Directors Appointed".

#### CHANGES IN CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF BOARD COMMITTEES

The Board also announces that with effect from 18 May 2022,

- i. Ms. Liu Yan has ceased to be as chairman and as member of nomination committee of the Board and as member of remuneration committee of the Board;
- ii. Mr. Zhang Jian has ceased as member of nomination committee of the Board and as member of remuneration committee of the Board:
- iii. Mr. Zhang Zhaogang has been appointed as chairman and as member of nomination committee of the Board and as member of remuneration committee of the Board; and
- iv. Mr. Chen Si has been appointed as member of nomination committee of the Board and as member of remuneration committee of the Board.

#### BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF THE NEW DIRECTORS APPOINTED

#### i. MR. ZHANG ZHAOGANG

Mr. Zhang Zhaogang, aged 57, is currently a director and the chairman of the board and secretary of the party committee of China National Complete Equipment Import and Export Group Co., Ltd. ("China Complant") since January 2021. China Complant is the controlling shareholder of the Company.

The following are the detail of previous working experience that are also regarded as relevant for disclosure for the present appointment. Mr. Zhang Zhaogang has over 34 years' experience in engineering, project management, international trading, strategic management and business development. He first worked in ministry of water conservancy and electric power, a department within the PRC government, as staff in the mechanical and electrical office of lubuge project administration bureau from July 1987 to November 1992. He later worked in Ertan Hydropower Development Co., Ltd. (a subsidiary of State Development and Investment Corp., Ltd. ("SDIC"), the parent company of China Complant), firstly as deputy manager of electrical and mechanical department (concurrently as engineer representative of electrical and mechanical project department) from November 1992 to November 1998 and secondly as deputy general manager from November 1998 to April 2008 (concurrently as deputy head of jinping construction administration bureau from December 2003 to October 2005 and as director of lianghekou construction administration bureau from October 2005 to April 2008). He next worked in Yalong Hydropower Development Co., Ltd. (a subsidiary of SDIC) firstly as deputy general manager from April 2008 to October 2015 and secondly as secretary of the party committee from October 2015 to July 2016. He then worked in SDIC International Trading Co., Ltd. (a subsidiary of SDIC) as secretary of the party committee and as a director and as chairman of the board from July 2016 to December 2020. He also served as a director and as chairman of the board of China National Complete Plant Import & Export Corporation Limited, which is a company listed on the Shenzhen Stock Exchange (Stock Code: 000151), from February 2021 to December 2021.

Mr. Zhang Zhaogang was certified as professor level senior engineer by China Hydropower Engineering Consulting Group Co and certified as professorate senior engineer by SDIC, all effective from 2003. He is also State Council special allowance expert (engineering technology) entitling to State Council special allowance effective from 2015.

Mr. Zhang Zhaogang obtained a bachelor's degree majoring in hydraulic machinery from Tsinghua University of China in 1987 and an executive master of business administration degree from Cheung Kong Graduate School of Business of China in 2005.

There will be no appointment letter with the Company and Mr. Zhang Zhaogang. He will be subject to retirement from office and re-election at the next general meeting of the Company in accordance with the articles of association of the Company. He will not enter into service contract/letter of appointment with the Company after his appointment. His directorship will be subject to retirement by rotation and re-election pursuant to the articles of association of the Company. He is not entitled to any director's remuneration or director's fee for holding her office as a non-executive Director of the Company.

Save as disclosed herein, (a) Mr. Zhang Zhaogang does not have hold any position with the Company and its subsidiaries prior to his appointment; (b) He did not hold any directorship in any listed public companies in Hong Kong or overseas in last three years; (c) He does not have any relationship with any directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company; (d) He does not having any interests in the shares of the Company or any of its associated corporations within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Future Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong); and (e) there are no other matters concerning him that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders nor any information to be disclosed pursuant to the requirements of Rules 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules.

#### ii. MS. CHEN SI

Ms. Chen Si, aged 42, currently serves as vice general manager of investment department of China-Africa Development Fund since December 2021.

The following are the detail of previous working experience that are regarded as relevant for disclosure for the present appointment. Ms. Chen Si has over 19 years' experience in banking, project and investment management. She first worked in Bank of China as a bank clerk from September 2002 to February 2004. She then worked in ZTE Corporation firstly as government affairs manager of Libya representative office from March 2004 to April 2005 and secondly as project manager assistant of mobile division in Shanghai from April 2005 to March 2006. She next worked as account manager of marketing department of XiaMen International Bank from May 2006 to February 2011. She then worked firstly as manager of investment department of from April 2011 to November 2013 and secondly as senior manager assistant of investment department of from November 2013 to December 2021 in China-Africa Development Fund.

Ms. Chen Si was certified as intermediate economist by ministry of human resources and social security bureau of Beijing China in 2017.

Ms. Chen Si obtained a bachelor's degree majoring in arabic language from Shanghai International Studies University in 2002 and a master's degree majoring in finance from Renmin University of China in 2010.

There will be no appointment letter with the Company and Ms. Chen Si. She will be subject to retirement from office and re-election at the next general meeting of the Company in accordance with the articles of association of the Company. She will not enter into service contract/letter of appointment with the Company after his appointment. Her directorship will be subject to retirement by rotation and re-election pursuant to the articles of association of the Company. She is not entitled to any director's remuneration or director's fee for holding her office as a non-executive Director of the Company.

Save as disclosed herein, (a) Ms. Chen Si does not have hold any position with the Company and its subsidiaries prior to his appointment; (b) She did not hold any directorship in any listed public companies in Hong Kong or overseas in last three years; (c) She does not have any relationship with any directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company; (d) She does not having any interests in the shares of the Company or any of its associated corporations within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Future Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong); and (e) there are no other matters concerning her that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders nor any information to be disclosed pursuant to the requirements of Rules 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules.

#### iii. MR. ZHANG QI

Mr. Zhang Qi, aged 35, currently serves as manager assistant of operation and risk management department of China Complant since June 2021.

The following are the detail of previous working experience that are regarded as relevant for disclosure for the present appointment. Mr. Zhang Qi has over 12 years' experience in accounting, operation and risk management. He started to work as staff in finance department of China Complant from July 2009 to February 2011. He later worked firstly as manager of finance department from February 2011 to June 2012; secondly as assistant operation officer from July 2012 to August 2013; thirdly as operation officer from September 2013 to June 2014; and fourthly as manager of human resources and administration department from July 2014 to October 2015 of the frome division of the Pan-Caribbean Sugar Company Ltd (a subsidiary of the Company). He next worked firstly as staff of strategic development department from October 2015 to February 2016, secondly as staff and officer assistant of general affair department from February 2016 to December 2018; and thirdly as manager assistant of operation and management department from December 2018 to June 2021; in China National Complete Plant Import & Export Corporation Limited.

Mr. Zhang Qi was certified as intermediate economist by ministry of human resources and social security bureau of Beijing China in 2021.

Mr. Zhang Qi obtained a bachelor's degree majoring in accounting from Renmin University of China in 2009 and a master of business administration degree from Renmin University of China in 2018.

There will be no appointment letter with the Company and Mr. Zhang Qi. He will be subject to retirement from office and re-election at the next general meeting of the Company in accordance with the articles of association of the Company. He will not enter into service contract/letter of appointment with the Company after his appointment. His directorship will be subject to retirement by rotation and re-election pursuant to the articles of association of the Company. He is not entitled to any director's remuneration or director's fee for holding his office as an executive Director of the Company.

Save as disclosed herein, (a) Mr. Zhang Qi does not have hold any position with the Company and its subsidiaries prior to his appointment; (b) He did not hold any directorship in any listed public companies in Hong Kong or overseas in last three years; (c) He does not have any relationship with any directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company; (d) He does not having any interests in the shares of the Company or any of its associated corporations within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Future Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong); and (e) there are no other matters concerning him that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders nor any information to be disclosed pursuant to the requirements of Rules 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules.

By order of the Board **Hua Lien International (Holding) Company Limited Zhang Zhaogang**Chairman

Hong Kong, 18 May 2022

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises eight directors, of which three are executive directors, namely Mr. Han Hong, Mr. Wang Zhaohui and Mr. Zhang Qi, two are non-executive directors, namely Mr. Zhang Zhaogang and Ms. Chen Si, and three are independent non-executive directors, namely Mr. Cheng Tai Kwan Sunny, Mr. Shi Zhu and Dr. Lu Heng Henry.