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DEFERRAL OF DESPATCH OF CIRCULAR IN RESPECT OF THE ACQUISITION OF THE ENTIRE ISSUED SHARE CAPITAL OF BUSINESS WEEKLY PUBLISHING INC.

Despatch of the Circular to the shareholders of Tom in respect to the Business Weekly Acquisition will be deferred due to the additional time required by the relevant parties to prepare the Circular. It is currently expected that the Circular will be despatched to the shareholders of Tom on or before 25th January, 2002.

Reference is made to the announcement of TOM.COM LIMITED ("Tom") dated 12th December, 2001 (the "Announcement") in respect of the acquisition of the entire issued share capital of Business Weekly Publishing Inc. (the "Business Weekly Acquisition"). Terms used herein shall have the same meanings as defined in the Announcement.

Pursuant to Rule 19.38 of the GEM Listing Rules, a circular in respect of the Business Weekly Acquisition (the "Circular") is required to be despatched to the shareholders of Tom within 21 days after the publication of the Announcement, being no later than 2nd January, 2002. In view of the additional time required by the relevant parties involved to prepare the required information, including but not limited to the accountants' report, to be contained in the Circular, the Board announces that despatch of the Circular will be deferred. Tom has applied for and the Stock Exchange has granted a waiver giving an extension for the despatch of the Circular and it is currently expected that the Circular will be despatched to the shareholders of Tom on or before 25th January, 2002.

By Order of the Board TOM.COM LIMITED Angela Mak Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 28th December, 2001

This announcement, for which the Directors of Tom collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the GEM Listing Rules for the purpose of giving information with regard to Tom. The Directors of Tom, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that, to the best of their knowledge and belief:- (i) the information contained in this announcement is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading; (ii) there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement in this announcement misleading; and (iii) all opinions expressed in this announcement have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and are founded on bases and assumptions that are fair and reasonable.

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