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## **Inside Information**

## Continuation of Exclusive Negotiations for Potential Acquisition of O2 UK

This announcement is made by Hutchison Whampoa Limited (the "Company") pursuant to the provisions under Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "SFO") and Rule 13.09(2)(a) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules").

The board of Directors of the Company (the "Board") would like to inform its shareholders and potential investors that subsequent to the announcement made by the Company on 23 January 2015 on the potential acquisition of O2 UK (the "Transaction"), the Company and Telefónica, S.A. continue to be in exclusive negotiations on the definitive agreements for the Transaction. Further announcements will be made pursuant to any applicable requirements prescribed by the Listing Rules and/or Part XIVA of the SFO as and when appropriate. If and when definitive agreements are signed up, the Transaction will remain subject to, inter alia, the obtaining of all requisite regulatory approvals.

Shareholders and potential investors of the Company should note that the negotiations may or may not result in a transaction being consummated and there is no certainty as to whether such transaction would proceed and/or become effective. Accordingly, Shareholders and potential investors of the Company are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the shares and securities of the Company.

By Order of the Board

Edith Shih

Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 24 March 2015

As at the date of this announcement, the Directors of the Company are:

## **Executive Directors**:

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**Non-executive Directors**:

Mr LEE Yeh Kwong, Charles Mr George Colin MAGNUS

## **Independent Non-executive Directors**: Mr CHENG Hoi Chuen, Vincent The Hon. Sir Michael David KADOORIE

Ms LEE Wai Mun, Rose Mr William Elkin MOCATTA (Alternate to The Hon Sir Michael David Kadoorie) Mr William SHURNIAK Mr WONG Chung Hin